Basic Detail Report



Soprano cornet, E-flat

Date

1895 ca.

Primary Maker

J. W. York & Son

Description

Silver-plated brass, gold-plated valve caps, finger buttons and water key, main tuning slide at second bow, removable leadpipe, three Périnet valves (1, ½, 1½), top-sprung, spring inside hollow stem, alignment by three unequal lugs on spring anchor plate, brass pistons, water key at first bow, windway 3-2-1 E-flat brass shank, apparently soldered to the instrument (later change). Dating results from the company name given in the signature, J. W. York and Son. "Son" recognizes York's infant son Charles E., who was born in 1887, but not yet his second son Frank W., born in 1898 (then firming as York and Sons). Early York instruments have no serial number, precise dating is therefore not possible.

Dimensions

Height: 260 mm Tube length: 908 mm, 959 mm Bore diameter (tuning slide, valve slides): 11.7 mm, 11.7 mm (0.46 inches) Bore diameter (shank, initial, minimum): 9.2 mm, 8.9 mm Bell diameter: 109 mm