

Main Sources of Machinery in the Scottish Textile Industry - c. 1950

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Jute and Flax machinery	Maker	Town
Preparing, spinning, reeling	Douglas Fraser (Giddings & Lewis Fraser)	Wellgate Foundry, Arbroath
“ “ “	JF Low	Monifieth Foundry
“ “ “	James Mackie	Belfast
“ “ “	Combe Barbour (FLCB)	Belfast
“ “ “	Fairbairn Macpherson Fairbairn Lawson (FLCB)	Hope Foundry, Leeds
Weaving, finishing, millwrights	Urquhart Lindsay (ULRO)	Blackness Foundry, Dundee
“ “ “	Robertson Orchar (ULRO)	Wallace Foundry, Dundee
“ “ “	Charles Parker (ULRO)	Mid St/ Clepington Rd, Dundee
“ “ “	LEFCO	Lawsid Foundry, Dundee
“ “ “	TC Keay	Densfield Works, Dundee
Jacquards	Hutcheson	Dunfermline
Sewing machines	DJ MacDonald	St Roques Works, Dundee
Hackle-makers; card pins	Halley Brothers	N Lindsay St, Dundee
“ “	WR Stewart	Dens/ Panmure Yard Dundee
Shuttles and bobbins	McGregor and Balfour	North Tay Works, Dundee
“ “	Gateside Mills Co,	Strathmiglo, Fife
“ “	James Stiven	Tayport, Fife
Also making their own machinery were:	Baxter Brothers Cox Brothers	Dens Works, Dundee Camperdown Works, Dundee
Steam engines	J&C Carmichael	Ward Foundry, Dundee
“ “	Douglas & Grant	Dunnikier Foundry, Kirkcaldy
“ “	Pearce Brothers	Lilybank Foundry, Dundee
“ “	Musgrave	Bolton
(and later marine engines)	WB Thompson/ Caledon	Tay Foundry, Dundee
(and later marine engines)	J Stirling/ Gourlay Bros	Dundee Foundry
Waterwheels, millwrights (and in 1890s steam engines)	Umpherston & Kerr/ John Kerr/ Thomson Bros	Douglas Foundry, Dundee
Wool Machinery		
Carding and Spinning	Platt Brothers / Asa Lees	Oldham

	Haigh, various	Yorkshire
Weaving	Hattersley	Keighley
	Dobcross	Yorkshire
Finishing	Whiteley	Yorkshire
	Thomas Aimer/ Aimers Mclean	Galashiels
Cotton Machinery		
Spinning fine counts	Dobson & Barlow	Bolton
	Brooks & Doxey	Manchester
Spinning medium counts	Platt Brothers	Oldham
weaving	various: eg Hall, Howard & Bullough	Lancashire
Weaving and millwrights	Anderston Foundry Co	Glasgow
Winding, twisting, coppers	JT Boyd	Glasgow
Lace	Leavers	Nottingham