

Marks on British sterling silver and gold thimbles

Compulsory hallmarking of British silver thimbles came into effect in 1884 when all silver over a certain weight had to be assayed for the purity of the silver used. Before this time, it was optional to mark them, as thimbles weighed less than the required amount for assaying. Thimbles have to be 925 of 1000 parts silver (i.e. .925) to have a hallmark applied. The Lion passant is the hallmark symbol used to indicate this. For Dublin, the Lion passant is replaced with Hibernia.



When the silver is purer than sterling silver i.e. 950 of 1000 parts silver, the Britannia mark is used.



There is then a symbol for the town where the assay office is located: an anchor for Birmingham - three wheat sheaves for Chester (closed in 1962) – a leopard's face for London – a castle for Edinburgh – white rose of York for Sheffield. There are now only four assay offices operating in the UK.



The last mark in a hallmark, is an alphabetic symbol which denotes the year the item was assayed.

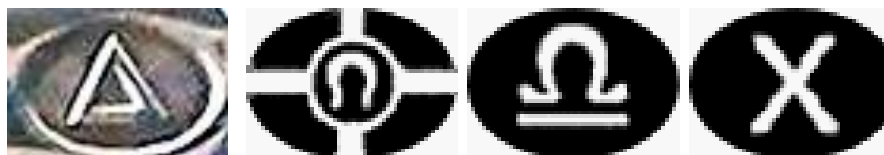
Look out for additional special marks on thimbles.



1. 1953 Coronation
2. 1977 Silver Jubilee - with two examples off thimbles
3. 2000 millennium mark
4. 2002 Golden Jubilee
5. 2012 Diamond Jubilee

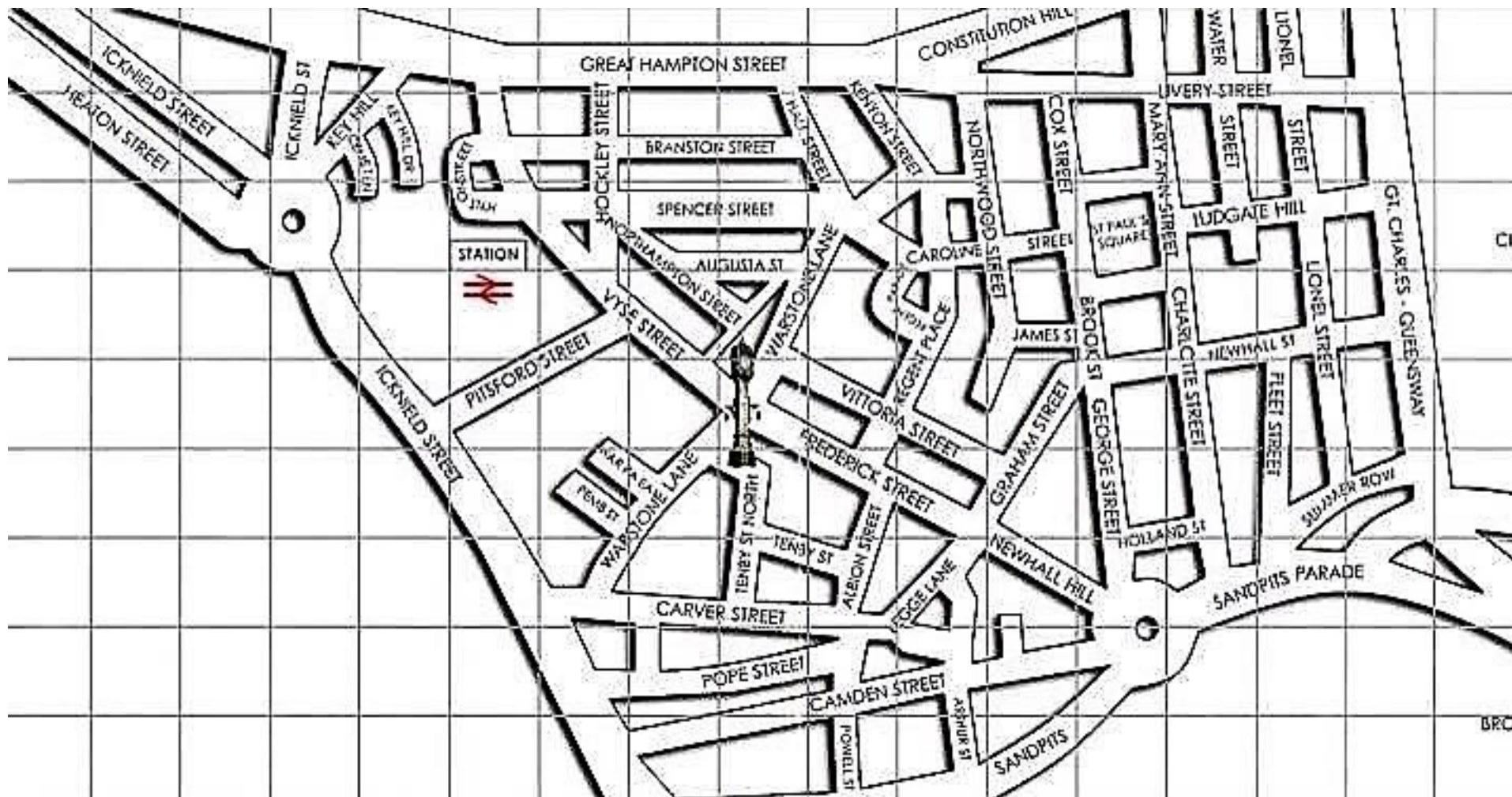
In addition to all these marks, in the case of thimbles, there is an additional mark: the maker's mark (the subject of this page) and the size of the thimble. This size mark is not part of the hallmark, technically speaking.

Between 1904 and 1998 the Assay Offices introduced a mark to indicate that the sterling silver item was foreign made but assayed in Britain. There are no other Assay Office marks, tho there may be a date letter of manufacture.



Birmingham – London – Sheffield – Edinburgh import marks

Any additional marks found on thimbles may be found with the maker's mark.



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about the listing

The following listing is for “maker's” (now termed sponsor's) marks found on British silver thimbles, arranged alphabetically by the maker's mark and not by the surname. It is far from complete. In the 1980s Edwin Holmes noted there were over 1000 silversmiths in Birmingham alone and felt it would be a never-ending task to list the ones who had thimbles with their marks. Only a fraction would have produced silver thimbles and current thinking in 2007 is that the bulk of this listing are the names of sponsors who had thimbles produced with their marks, but they did not actually make the thimbles.

505 marks are listed here, with quite a few maker's names still to be identified or show an example of their mark.

With the closure of the last Victorian thimble maker (Ray Coggle of JS&S) in April 2005, it is gratifying to note the growing number of hallmarks for thimble makers at the end of the 20th century and even into the 21st century. These are the antiques of the future.

Marks

I have ignored punctuation, as without seeing each thimble with its mark, this could never be accurate. There is no spacing between initials to make the maker's mark as compact as possible, but some have a slight spacing that is not possible to reproduce here, but the photo of the mark where available, will show this more clearly.

I have included variations or additions to names, listing the silversmith under the most commonly found maker's mark. These marks are usually found in a lozenge on the rim of the thimble and again these vary from maker to maker. Some marks will have been stamped directly onto the band, not in a lozenge; or into the indentations which makes identification more difficult.

In Britain during World War, I 350,000 to 400,000 silver thimbles were donated for a good cause = melting them down, the thimbles provided approximately £37.000 for the fund-raising drive for hospital development. Imagine how our modern records would have been enhanced if these thimbles had been recorded.

The four most prolific English silver thimble makers were Charles Horner, James Swann, James Fenton, and Henry Griffith.

Silversmith & location

The name is the most difficult to complete; the location is the principal office, factory, or shop of the silversmith.

Assay office

This lists the assay office/s used by the silversmith, taken from examples found on thimbles. Most of the original lists, compiled by thimble collectors since the 1980s, separate the Chester and Birmingham silversmiths by assay office, but the thimble makers tended to use the one most convenient at the time. They had to be registered at both assay offices, to use the specific assay office mark.

In 2015, the Sheffield Assay Office opened a sub-branch in Malpensa Italy, and items assayed in Italy will bear the identical hallmark for Sheffield (rose). In 2016 the Birmingham Assay Office followed suit, and they opened a sub-branch in Mumbai India. The Birmingham anchor will appear on sterling silver items assayed in Mumbai.

Hallmark year

These are actual hallmark years as found on thimbles. I have not included dates on thimbles for Horner, Fenton, Griffith or James Swann as they are too numerous.

Registration date

Often, we only have a registration date from an assay office to guide us; or dates of operation; or dates they lived. These may help in dating a thimble when there is an indistinct hallmark or two possible dates.

Notes

I have included any additional information here that can be of use including where we know who made the thimbles.
Occasionally I will include a thimble photo here for illustrative purposes.

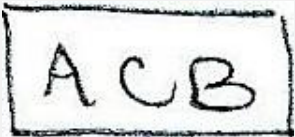
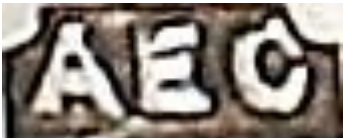
Listed in alphabetical order of first letter of maker's mark

****** Makers that cannot be identified because of GDPR = General Data Protection Regulations.

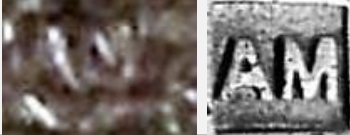
(these regulations prevent Assay offices giving out the person's name as they have not given prior permission as they registered after 1975)

Marks	Silversmith + Place	Assay office	Hallmark year	Registration date	Notes
A&B 	<u>Abrahall & Bint</u> (Arthur John Abrahall & John William Bint) Frederick Street Birmingham	Chester	1896	1896	some thimbles have stone apexes
A&C^o 		London	1984 1994		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
A&CoL^{TD} 	<u>Asprey</u>	London	1986		
A&G 		Birmingham	1880		
AB - i 		Sheffield	1993		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

AB – ii 		London	2002		imported mark see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
AB&C° 	<u>Alfred Bromet & Co</u> 38 Jewin Street London	Birmingham Chester	1893 1894 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1903 1904 1905 1906 1907 1908 1909 1910		wholesale jewellers & importers of fancy goods Bromet retired in 1890 the business was wound up in 1910 made by HG&S as some have his Registration design numbers or his size numbers (13-20) used Chester thimbles made by CH as some bear his Registration design numbers see <i>Learn...Alfred Bromet thimbles topic</i>
ABP 	<u>Anita Bell Page</u>	Sheffield	1979 1980	1971	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers topic</i>
AC - i 	<u>Alexander Crichton</u> Russell Street London WC (1872) and: Gerrard Street London W in partnership as <u>Crichton & Curry</u> (1880) Rathbone Place Oxford Street London W	London	1901	1872	gold thimbles
AC - ii 		Dublin	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>

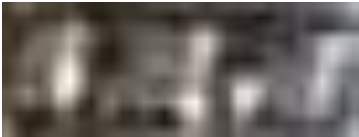
ACB  (sketch]		Birmingham	1984		
AC^E 	<u>Alfred Constantine</u> 219 Well Street <i>and</i> 137 Handsworth Wood Road Birmingham	Birmingham		1910	patent 6253 of 1909 – rheumatism or arthritis thimbles   see <i>Learn...Gadget thimbles</i> topic see also C^E&F^D
ACW 		London	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
AE – i 	<u>Alexander Edmonstoun III</u>	Edinburgh	1808-1824		steel-topped thimbles
AE – ii	<u>Adam Eastwick</u>	Birmingham Chester		Chester 1888 Birmingham 1895	
AEC ** 		London	1984		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
AG 	<u>Alicia Gordon</u> Quicksilver Creations	London	1998	1995	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers</i> topic

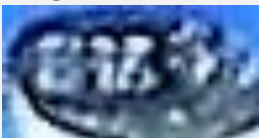
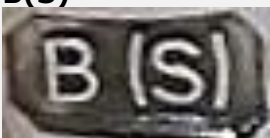
AGB 	<u>Adrian Gerald Benney</u> Whitfield Place London <i>then</i> Beenham House Reading	London	1977		Benney:- 1930-2008 see also: M^N&W^B see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
AGC 	<u>Audrey Grace Connelly</u>	Edinburgh	1985	1967	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
AJB 	<u>Aidan J Breen</u> Nassau Street Dublin	Dublin	1985 1986 1988 1996		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers</i> topic
AJC 	<u>Alfred James Cheshire</u> Tenby Street North Birmingham	Chester	1896	around 1890	
AJD&C° 	<u>A J Davenport & Co</u> 48 Clerkenwell Road London EC	Chester	1896	30 April 1896	wholesaler jeweller-proprietor: <u>Catherine Jennings Davenport</u> mark registered by CH
AJP 	<u>Andrew (Andy] John Poole</u> 50A Tenby Street North Birmingham	Birmingham	1982 1985 1996 1997 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2017		<u>Peter Swingler</u> PS also used Poole's sterling thimbles for his enamelled thimbles their thimbles feature in <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers</i> topic manufacturing jewellers
AL^{TD} – i  	<u>Ammonite Ltd</u> Llandow Industrial Estate Glamorgan Wales	Birmingham	1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1984		manufacturing jewellers see also: BL and COG also produced 9ct gold thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers</i> topic

A^{LTD} – ii 	<u>Aprilis (UK)</u> Devon	Birmingham	1979	1976	jewellery manufacturers
ALW 		Birmingham	1977		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
AM 		London	1985		
A(M)&C° 	<u>A Marston & Company</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1981		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers</i> topic
AMB 	<u>Abraham Meyer Blankensee</u> Summer Hill Terrace Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1885 1886 1890 1892	October 1880	Chester thimbles made by CH
AN 	<u>Ari D Norman</u> Argenta Way London NW10	London	1980 1981 1982 1983 1985 1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1992 1994 1998 2000 2003 2004 2005 2006 2008 2009 2017		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers</i> topic
ARC 	<u>Arc Gold & Silver Ltd</u> Century House Station Road Sheffield S20 3GS	Sheffield			post-2000 thimble maker date letter not being used subsidiary of <u>Carrs of Sheffield</u> see RC copies of Victorian patterns; thin; cast with a seam join

AS – i 	<u>Adolph Scott</u> 62 Summer Hill Road Birmingham <u>and</u> Great Hampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1884 1887 1899 1901 1902 1907 1908 1909 1910		
AS – ii 	<u>Albert Sydenham</u> Frederick Street Birmingham	Chester	1905 1907	1899	wholesale jeweller his thimbles probably made by CH
AS –iii 	<u>Argyll Silver</u> 75 Meadow Brook Road Northfield Birmingham	Birmingham Edinburgh London	1988 2002	May 1978 (1986-1998 Birmingham)	<i>their thimbles feature in Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
AS – iii	<u>Aprilis</u> Devon	Birmingham	1979		<i>their thimbles feature in Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers topic</i>
ASD 	<u>Anthony Stephen Darwent</u> ASD Blue John Jewellery Castleton Derbyshire	Sheffield	1984 1986		<i>their thimbles feature in Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers topic</i>
AT	<u>Alfred Taylor</u> 9 Howard Street Birmingham	Birmingham		1851-	R^p73871 1850 <u>Crystal Palace</u> thimble R^p86699 1852 <u>Sydenham</u> <u>Crystal Palace</u> active 1850-1865
AW 	<u>Arthur Witting</u> Hatton Garden London	Birmingham	1927 1928 1929 1931 1932 1938	1921	manufacturing jeweller & watchmaker in 1921 later a wholesale jeweller 1927-1929 'Election' thimbles probably made by HG&S
AWC&C° 	<u>Arthur Walter Crosbee</u> (trading as A W Crosbee Jewellers) 7 Vyse Street Birmingham	Birmingham			

AWM 	<u>Arthur William Morgan</u>	London	1898		
B&Co – i	<u>Barraclough & Co</u>	Birmingham Chester	1907		Chester thimbles made by CH
B&C° – ii 	<u>W I Broadway & Co</u>	Birmingham	1981 1983 1984 1985 1988 1989 1990 1994 1995 1996 1997 2000		<i>their thimbles feature in Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers topic</i>
B&D 	<u>Boodle & Dunthorne</u> Lord Street Liverpool	London	1978		<i>their thimbles feature in Learn...Modern British sterling thimble makers topic</i>
B&P 	<u>Bent & Parker</u> Northwood Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1893	August 1863	they were mainly whistle makers PP 14988 thimbles with girl's names RD178502 see also HP
B&S see SB&S					
Barrett	Hastings				see also PB
BC 	<u>Brian Clarke</u> The Old Schoolhouse Ballinaclash Rathdrum Co. Wicklow Ireland	Dublin	1978		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers topic</i>
BF 		London	1898		

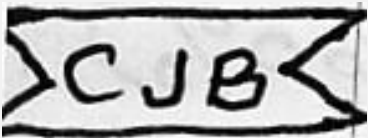
BG			early 18 th century		an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #68
BG&Co 	<u>Britton, Gould & Co</u> Walter Hastler Britton and Edward Havelock Gould trading as Britton Gould & Co Hatton Garden London	Birmingham	1900		
BH 		Birmingham	1900		
BHJ 	<u>B H Joseph</u> Frederick Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1876 1884		thimbleful
BHW 		Birmingham	1911		
BJGB 	<u>Blue John Gem Box</u> Matlock Bath	Sheffield	1988		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers</i> topic
BJK 		Sheffield	1984 1987 1989	1977	thimbles have stone apexes see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
B-L 		Birmingham	1984		Christmas thimbles for <u>Heritage Collection</u> see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

BL^D 	<u>Bishton's Limited</u> Northampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1978	1945-1988	made in Portugal with Birmingham import mark  see also: B(S)
BLF 	<u>Brian Leslie Fuller</u> Clerkenwell London	London	1974 1977 1979 1984		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling silver thimble makers</i>
BMS 		London	2003		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
BMW 	<u>Barry M Witmond</u> The Stableyard Burghley House Stamford Lincolnshire	London	2003		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
B(S) 	<u>Bishtons Ltd</u>	Birmingham	1991		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i> see also: BL ^D
BW 		Birmingham	1902?		
bWI 		Birmingham	1899		

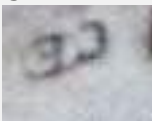
C&C 	<u>Albert Cohen & Charles Solomon</u> (trading as Cohen & Charles) Thavies Inn Holborn Circus London	Birmingham London	1912 1930 1963 1964 1965 1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1973 1974	1898	also produced 9ct gold thimbles & enamelled bands thimbles in earlier times their thimbles bear an import mark see <i>Learn...Modern British enamelled thimbles</i> topic and <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
C&CC 	<u>Clive & Clarissa Cooke</u> Wood Yard Gallery (<i>from 1993</i>) off Corve Street Ludlow	London Sheffield	1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1991 1993 1996 2000		also made 9ct gold thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
C&C° 	<u>Carrington & Co</u> Regent Street London	Chester	1883 1888 1892 1893 1894 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900		retailer thimbles made by CH as some bear his Registration design numbers
C&F 	<u>Cropp & Farr Ltd</u> 63-66 Hatton Garden London	London	1925	1922	produced 15ct gold thimbles
C&N 	<u>Crisford & Norris Ltd</u> Vyse Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1978	1896-1978	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
C&S 	<u>Clark & Sewell Ltd</u> John Clark & John Sewell Legge Lane Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1897 1901 1902 1906 1909 1910 1911 1914 1915 1918 1919 1923	1901-1929 Birmingham 1906-1948 Chester	produced 1911 <u>Coronation</u> thimbles for George V & Queen Mary includes enamelled thimbles
CB – i 	<u>Christopher Potter Buckton</u> (1862-1907) Lightcliffe Yorkshire	Birmingham	1876 1900 1901 1902 1904 1906 1926	1898 1901	wholesale dealer in thimbles & fancy jewellery thimbles made by HG&S as his size numbers (13-20) used Griffith sent in punchmark in 1901

CB – ii 	<u>Clive Edward Burr</u> London	London	1981	1976	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic see also: RL
CB – iii 	<u>Charles Boyton</u>	London	1902 1904	1854, 1900	“Just a Thimble Full”
CC 	<u>Colen Hewer Cheshire</u> Northampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1886 1894 1895 1898 1901 1904	Nov 1894 Chester 1865-1910 Birmingham	includes thimblefuls
CCP  	<u>Chamberlain Clarke</u> <u>Partnership</u>	Birmingham London	1984 1991 1999		their thimbles were made by JS&S or S(T) see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
CCSG 		London	1970 1977		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
CE 		Chester	1911		

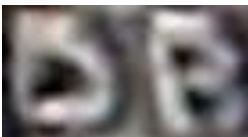
C^E&F^D.  C^E&F^DL^D. 	<u>Alfred Constantine & Floyd</u> Caroline Street Birmingham <i>afterwards:</i> Regent Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester London	1885 1887 1888 1889 1890 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1907 1910 1912 1914 1916 1919 1923	1880	factor some Chester thimbles by HF (Henry Fowler) as some of their thimbles bear his R^D297020 others with Chester marks by CH see also AC^E R^D112123 was registered by Constantine & Floyd on October 29, 1888
CGA 	<u>Charles George Alexander</u> Isle of Man	London for Isle of Man	1981	1978	thimbles also bear an import mark
CH – i 	<u>Charles Horner</u> Mile Cross Halifax	Chester Birmingham (rare)	1892-1948 hallmarked thimbles too many dates to list	1885-1982	maker of steel-lined sterling silver <u>Dorcas</u> thimbles – earlier ones only marked PAT.+ size no. tho the factory closed in 1982 thimble production stopped after WWII his Registered design numbers occur on many other sponsor's thimbles Horner would have registered these sponsors' marks at Chester but made the thimbles himself 30 of these sponsors marks have been identified to date CH also produced 9ct gold thimbles sized thimbles from 1892 sizes 2-15 largest to smallest see <i>Learn...Charles Horner thimbles and other sponsor's marks</i> topic

CH – ii 	<u>Charles Hirth</u> Bavaria	Birmingham London	1896		often confused with Charles Horner tho this was a foreign maker, with the F mark for a foreign maker which will distinguish his thimbles thimbles are lighter in weight & European in style
CHH 	<u>Charles Henry Hooper & Sybil Elsie Hooper</u> (trading as Hooper Jewellery) Northampton Street then Vyse Street Birmingham	Edinburgh Birmingham London Sheffield	1982 1985 1986 1987 1990		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
CI&G 	<u>Charles Iles & Gomms Ltd</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1995	1959-1962	made by JS&S
CJ – i 		Birmingham	1985 1986		thimbles with <u>Woodsetton Peep</u> see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
CJ – ii 		London	1931		
CJ – iii 	<u>Capri Jewellery Ltd</u> Dalston London	London	1977		closed in 1984
CJB  (sketch]	<u>Clifford John Barber</u> Isle of Thanet Kent	London	2004 2005	February 2004	

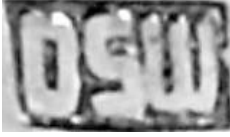
CJF** 		London	1995		London import marks – from Germany by <u>Julius Wengert</u> of Pforzheim Germany see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
CJH 		Birmingham	1897		
CJM 		Birmingham	1977		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
CL^{TD}. 		Birmingham	1985		enamelled thimbles made by JS&S with marks in apex see <i>Learn...Modern British enamelled thimbles topic</i>
CM – i 	<u>Charles May</u> (later C C May & Sons) 8 Curtain Rd Shoreditch and 54 Victoria Park Road Hackney	Birmingham London	1860 1864 1868 1869 1878 1880 1881 1883 1884 1886 1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1907 1908 1909 1910 1911 1912 1914 1915 1916 1917 1918 1919 1920 1926 1929	1838-1920 London February 1876 Birmingham	also produced 9ct gold thimbles see <i>Learn...Charles May thimbles topic</i>
CM – ii 	<u>Charterhouse Mint Limited</u>	London	1986		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>

CMA 		Sheffield	1977		
CMC^oL^{TD} 		Birmingham	1908 1909 1910		includes nail-shaped thimbles
CME 	<u>CME Jewellery</u> 94 Grace Road Leicester	Birmingham	2000		with import mark see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
CMT 	<u>Caroline Marie Taylor</u> London	London	1979 1980		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
CN 					mark found on Cyprus map thimble - not fully assayed see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
CNB 	<u>Clive Norman Bullivant</u>	London	1982	1974	includes handpainted enamelled apexes see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
COG 	<u>Charles Owen George</u>	Birmingham	1983		Christmas & Easter thimbles for <u>Heritage Collection</u> see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
CP 	<u>Charles Peach</u> Augusta Street Birmingham	Chester	1907	July 1909	thimbles made by CH

CR&C^o 	<u>Alfred George Claydon & Charles Robin</u> (trading as Claydon, Robin & Co) 15 Union Street London EC	Chester	1910	3 June 1910	wholesale jewellers thimble mark registered by HG&S
CS – i	<u>Charles Samek</u>				
CS – ii 	<u>Crescent Silver</u>	Birmingham	2012		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
CS – iii	<u>Charles Stewart</u> Liverpool	London		August 1897	
CSB  	<u>Christopher S Bowen</u>	London	1978 1983 1997		Bowen holds Advanced City & Guilds Diploma in Silversmithing & Allied Crafts awarded Freedom of the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths 1989 see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
CS*FS 	<u>Saunders & Shepherd</u> (Cornelius Desormeaux Saunders & James Francis Hollings (Frank) Shepherd) Bartlett's Passage Holborn London London 1896 Birmingham 1909	Birmingham Chester London	1889 1890 1891 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1899 1900 1902 1903 1911 1917 1918 1919		see also S&SLtd also made sterling thimble buckets for chatelaines some of the Chester thimbles were made by CH
CT 		Birmingham	1988		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

CU 	<u>The Usher Manufacturing Co</u> (Reuben Usher trading as Charles Usher) Vittoria Works Vittoria Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1918		jeweller in Leicester, making badges, fobs & medals <u>Peter Pan Reg'd</u> lettered on thimble band – made by HF (Fidkin) see also JU&S
CW D&F 	<u>Deakin & Francis Ltd</u> (proprietors Stephen Henry Deakin & John Horace Francis) 15-17 Regent Place Birmingham B1 3NL phone 0121 236 7751	Birmingham Chester	1899 1914 1883 1886 1891 1892 1893 1896 1897 1898 1900 1907 1908 1982 1984 1985	1901-1953 Birmingham 1882 Chester	makers of Victoria's <u>Diamond Jubilee</u> commemorative 1897 thimbles Registered design R^D295282 , registered by <u>Hamilton & Inches</u> (see H&I) still in operation, but thimbles no longer being produced see also D&N Chester thimbles made for this factor by CH as some bear his Registered design numbers see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
D&N 	<u>Deakin & Nephew</u> (Charles Washington, Shirley Deakin & Stephen Deakin) Regent Place Birmingham	Birmingham	1881		as they were at the same address, this silversmith would pre-date D&F
dab 	<u>Desmond A Byrne</u> 26 Bachelors Walk Dublin <i>then</i> The Castle Yard The Parade Kilkenny Ireland	Dublin	1985 1994 1996		see also AJB see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
DB - i 	<u>Michael I Dormon-Brailsford</u> Dorton Hill House Chilton nr. Aylesbury Bucks	London	1981 1982 1983 1984		also produced 9ct gold thimbles see <i>Learn...Michael I Dorman-Brailsford</i> topic

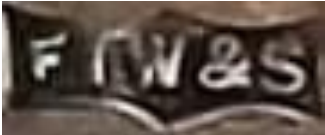
DB – ii  		Birmingham	1984		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
DF	<u>Daniel Field</u>		1760s		examples of this early thimble maker can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #57 59
DH 		London	1985		thimbles have unusual size markings ie 2/0
DH&S 	<u>David Hollander & Sons Ltd</u> Northampton Street Birmingham	Sheffield	1978 1981		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
DHJ 		London	1978		9ct gold see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
DJ 	<u>Dix Jewellery</u> (trading as Harrison Brothers & Howson Ltd)	London	1990 2000	1958-2006	see also: HBH these thimbles were made by <u>Julius Wengert</u> of Pforzheim Germany London import mark
DJR 	<u>Diana Jaqueline Radley</u>	London	1981	1977	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
DLF 		Birmingham	1911		

DLS 	<u>David & Lionel Spiers</u> 27 Hylton Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1881 1884 1886 1887 1893	1881	R^o75400 1887 girls' names: see also LS
DM	<u>Daniel May</u> Constitution Hill Birmingham	Birmingham		1825	thimble maker
DMR 		London	1981	1977	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
DP 	<u>Douglas Pell Silverware</u> Regent House 26 Bell Street Sawbridgeworth Herts	Birmingham	1988 1989 1990 1992 1993 1994 1997 2004 2006 2007		factor and wholesaler of foreign-made thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
DP NM 	<u>David Pettifer & Nathaniel Mills</u>	Birmingham	1855		both marks appear on the same thimble
DRH 		Birmingham	1985		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
DSV 		Birmingham			9ct gold thimbles
DSW 	<u>David Scott-Walker</u> Sheffield	Edinburgh London Sheffield	1982 1983 1985 1986 1988 1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

DWK 	<u>Kay Thetford-Kendall</u> R.M.S. The Studio 45 Orchard Road Tewin Welwyn	London	1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1993		the thimble mark registered as <u>Donald W Kendall</u> see also KE see <i>Learn...Kay Thetford-Kendall thimbles</i> topic
E&C E&C° 	<u>Elkington & Co</u> 74 Great Hampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1927 1931 1961	1906-1968	some thimbles also marked 925 <u>Alan Howard Elkington</u> <u>Ernest Bowker</u> <u>Alan Durham Elkington</u> see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
EBM 	<u>Eleanor B Macdougall</u> Fionnphort Isle of Mull Scotland	Edinburgh	1988		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
ECR EDW 	<u>Edwin Dunwoody Wilmot</u> Kaye Hill House Hockley Birmingham	Chester Birmingham	1960 1869 1889	1853	9ct gold
EET 	<u>E E Thompson</u>	Birmingham	1911 1913		
EFB 	<u>Edward Foligne Braham</u> Vyse Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1925		

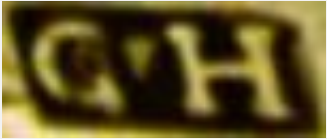
EFL^{TD} 	<u>Exchange Findings Ltd</u>	Sheffield	1992		made in Germany see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
EGP 	<u>Eustace George Parker</u> 86 George Street Hale Altringham Cheshire	Chester	1894 1895 1898 1899 1900 1903	18 January 1899	manufacturing jeweller, wholesale dealer & importer thimbles made by CH
EH 	<u>William Hutton & Sons</u> (Edward Hutton) High Street Sheffield	Sheffield	1893	March 1880	thimble-shaped shot glasses
EJC 	<u>Elizabeth Jane Chantler</u> Eden Valley Brough Cumbria	Sheffield	1973 1976 1980 1983 1984 1985 1987 1989 1995 1996 1997 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004		registered as <u>A J Designs</u> see also JC – iii some of her thimbles made in 9ct gold see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
EKS 					2017 <u>Dorset Thimble Society</u> Conference thimble – not assayed see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
EL	<u>Edwin Lowe</u> 29 Church Street Birmingham	Birmingham		April 1900	whip mount maker known more for their base metal thimbles than their s/s giving up thimble making altogether in 1908

ELB 	<u>E Leonard Brothers</u>	London	1983 1987		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
EU 		Birmingham	1879 1888		a similar mark registered London Apr 1879 by <u>Edward Umfreville</u>
EW 	<u>Edward Webb (and Son)</u> 63 Branstons Street and 81 Brearley Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1881 1882 1883 1886	March 1880	
EW&S					
FC 	<u>Francis Clarke</u> Newhall Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1833 1834 1836	1826-1847	an example of this early hallmarked thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #51
FD 	<u>F Drury (Silversmiths) Limited</u> 5 Gilleyfield Avenue Dore Sheffield S17 3NS	Sheffield	1982	1959-	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
FE 	<u>Elkington & Co</u> (Frederick) Newhall Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1886		
FGF 	<u>F G Flavell Ltd</u> Stourbridge Worcestershire	Birmingham	1984 2002		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

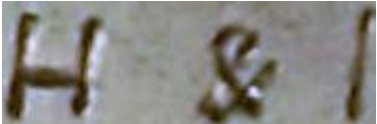
FH 	<u>Francis Howard Ltd</u> Trafalgar Street Sheffield	Sheffield	1977		marks found on large size thimble ie like a Just a Thimble Full
FIW&S 		Birmingham	1983		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
FM  	<u>Fred Manshaw Ltd</u> London EC1	London	1984		gold thimble charms
FS 	<u>Franz Schiebner</u>	London	1893		
FW - i 	<u>Francis Webb</u> Great Hampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1894 1895 1896 1901 1902	1887-1934	pencil case makers
FW - ii 		Birmingham	1901		

FWB 		Edinburgh	1999		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> still to be identified topic
FWW&C^oL^{TD} 	<u>F W Woolworth & Co Ltd</u>	Dublin	1932		thimbles probably made by HG&S 'W' on non-sterling silver for Woolworths as a brand?
G&C^oL^D 	<u>Garrard & Co Ltd</u> (House of Garrard) 24 Albemarle Street London W1 and 112 Regent Street London W1	Birmingham London Sheffield	1983 1989 1998	1954...1978 Birmingham 1954...1986 London	<i>their thimbles feature in Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
G&N 	<u>Gladman & Norman</u> 51-53 Tenby Street North Birmingham B1 3EG T	Birmingham	2003 2005 2007 2008		Peter Swingler PS used their sterling thimbles for his enamelled thimbles
G&S	<u>Gilbert & Spurrier</u>	Birmingham Chester	1881 1892	October 1886 Birmingham	
G&S^{CO}L^{TD}. 	<u>Goldsmiths and Silversmiths Co Ltd</u> 112 Regent St London		1911	1852-1952	maker of <u>Coronation</u> of George V thimble 1911 original partners were <u>William Gibson</u> & <u>John Lawrence Langham</u> retail jewellers opened in London in 1880 amalgamated with <u>Garrard & Co Ltd</u> , the Crown jewellers in 1952 located in original building once rebuilt in 1928
GB - i		Birmingham	1985		

GB – ii 	<u>George Boot</u>	Birmingham	1901	1936-7	made by HG&S
GC 		Birmingham	1899		
GFM 	<u>Geoff Mansell</u>	Birmingham	1992		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
GG – i			early 18 th century		an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #66
GG – ii 	<u>George Goodman</u> 22 Caroline Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1880 1886 1887 1888 1899 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1912 1915 1916	1885 Birmingham 1894 Chester	factor, who was a pin-maker, jewellery & hair curler manufacturer Chester thimbles made by CH see <i>Learn...George Goodman and Gomme's thimbles</i> topic
GH 	<u>George Holmes</u> Vyse Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1991	1981	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
GJD 	<u>Gregory John Dennis</u>	London	1984 1992 1998		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

GofH 	<u>The Guild of Handicraft</u> London and Chipping Camden Sheep Street Gloucestershire (George Henry Hart)	London	1950 1981 1983 1984	1888	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
GP – i 	<u>Geoffrey Payne</u>	Birmingham	1992	1986-1993	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
GP - ii 	<u>Gertrude Platnauer</u> 51 Vyse Street Birmingham	Chester	1918 1924		
GPS 		London	1981		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
G'S 	<u>Gomms</u> 138 Highgate Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1929 1930 1931 1939	1927	maker – amongst others – of placename thimbles dated 1930-1931 manufacturing jewellers & electroplaters Gomms were taken over by the firm of <u>Charles Iles</u> in the late 1920s & were known as <u>Iles & Gomms</u> from 1947 Charles Iles never made sterling silver thimbles, so an exciting find to know that Gomms did see <i>Learn...George Goodman and Gomms thimbles</i> topic
GS – i 	<u>George Snook & Co</u> (for Charles Berkeley) Borough Works Floodgate Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1900 1902 1906 1907	1894-1901	some have R^D297020 for HF (<u>Henry Fowler</u>) thimbles made by HG&S mark registered by them in 1895 Snook only made brass and other base metal thimbles

GS – ii 	<u>Gerald Sheehan</u>	London	2002 2004 2005		London import mark  marketed by <u>Royal Mint Classics</u> their mark next to maker's mark see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
GS – iii 	<u>George Smallwood</u> 33 St Paul's Square Birmingham				ring maker and jeweller
GU 	<u>George Unite (& Sons)</u> 65 Caroline Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1876 1879 1880 1881 1882 1884 1885 1886 1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1892 1894 1897 1900 1901 1902 1904 1907 1925 1926 1930	1832-1928	also produced 9ct and 15ct gold thimbles and thimblefuls see <i>Learn...George Unite thimbles</i> topic
GV&C° 	<u>Gourdel Vales & Co</u> Great Marlborough Street London	Chester	1893 1895 1896 1899 1903		made by CH
GWH&C° 	<u>G W Harvey & Co</u> Frederick Street Birmingham	Chester	1891 1892 1894 1895 1896 1897 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1906 1911 1914 1917	1897-1909 Birmingham	made by CH
GWL&C° 	<u>G W Lewis & Co</u>	Birmingham	1930	May 1919	marks found on an enamelled band thimble 

H&I 	<u>Hamilton & Inches</u>		1897 1990		R^D 295282 1897 designers 1897 Victoria's Diamond Jubilee gold thimbles – all their thimbles made by D&F
H&T 	<u>Hilliard & Thomason</u> 1-5 Spencer Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1884 1885 1886 1887 1891 1893 1894 1895 1897 1900 1901 1913	1847-1888 Birmingham January 1898 Chester	Birmingham retailer Chester thimbles made by CH as some bear his Registration design numbers
H&TLtd	<u>Heaton & Taylor Ltd</u> Birmingham	Birmingham		April 1902 Birmingham	registered as button makers closed during WW1 known more for their base metal thimbles than their s/s
HAJ 	<u>Henley Associated Jewellers</u>	Birmingham	1997 2000		the designer & maker is <u>Kuo-Chi Lin</u> , a fashion designer in Taiwan & member of Thimble Society <i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
HB - i 	<u>Hester Bateman</u>			1761-1780	first recorded English woman silversmith maker's mark in cursive
HB		London			18 th century thimble
HB&H 	<u>Harrison Brothers & Howson Ltd</u> The Chase London SW4	London	2022		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
HB&S 		London	1988		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>

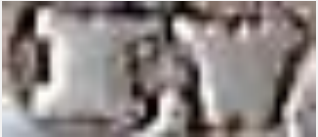
HBH 	<u>Harrison Brothers & Howson Ltd</u> The Chase London SW4	Sheffield			see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
HBM 	<u>Henry Booth Marland</u>	Edinburgh London	1987 1988 1990 1991		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
HBROS 	<u>Harman Brothers</u> Spencer Street Birmingham	Birmingham			
HB^{RS} 	<u>Hardy Brothers</u> Charterhouse Street and West Smithfield London	Chester	1903	1923	9ct gold also in Sydney & Brisbane, Australia
HB^S&H 	<u>Harrison Brothers & Howson Ltd</u> The Chase London SW4	London	2012		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
HC&S		Chester	1911		not to be confused with HG&S these thimbles are sized differently
HCF 	<u>Henry Charles Freeman</u> Hatton Garden London	Chester	1894 1895 1897		made by CH as some bear his Registered design numbers also made thimblefuls
HD 		Birmingham	1897		
HF – i 	<u>Henry Fidkin</u> 51 Hockley Hill Birmingham	Birmingham	1918 1919 1920 1921	January 1919	registered as a thimble maker some of his thimbles have enamelling on the band see <i>Learn...HF thimble makers</i> topic

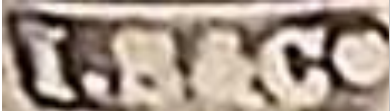
HF – ii 	<u>Henry Foskett</u> London		1875 1876 1879 1881 1882	2 April 1864-1886	see also SF registered as a “Small worker” at London assay office see <i>Learn...HF thimble makers</i> topic
HF – iii 	<u>Henry Fowler</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1906 1907 1908 1909 1914 1916	March 1896	Registered design R^D297020 , 1897 see <i>Learn...HF thimble makers</i> topic
HG – i  HG&S  HG&SL^{TD}. 	<u>Henry Griffith (& Sons)</u> Tachbrook Road Leamington Spa and 1919- 131 Warstone Lane Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1880-1977 hallmarked thimbles too many dates to list	October 1858-1955 Birmingham 1892 Chester	R^D171258 / R^D171259 1891 daisies R^D356898 ‘Empire’ thimble maker of <u>Dreema</u> thimbles maker of most English placename thimbles & <u>The Spa</u> & <u>Royal Spa</u> thimbles one of the only silversmiths who marked some of his thimbles with ‘Sterling Silver’ instead of having them hallmarked thimble sizes range from 12-20 & follows the size in mm erroneously referred to as Henry Griffiths also produced 9ct & 15ct gold thimbles we have identified 15 sponsor/factor marks where the thimbles were made by HG&S Griffith sized thimbles from 1890
HG – ii 	<u>Henry Lewis Glyde</u> 169 1/2 Hockley Hill Birmingham	Birmingham	1888		

HG – iii 		London			see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic
HH 	<u>Hans Herman</u>	London	1977	1960	no longer registered with the London Assay Office see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
HJ 	Henry Joseph 25 Bull Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1886	1855	
HJC 	<u>H J Cooper & Co Ltd</u> Thavies Inn Holborn London	Chester	1894 1896 1897 1900 1901 1905		made by CH as some bear his Registered design numbers
HJG 		Chester	1896 1910		
HL - i 	Highland Line (Tony Mitchell Holland) Achnasheen Scotland	Edinburgh	1985		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
HL – ii 	<u>Henri Lambin</u> Ely Place Holborn Circus London	London		September 1909	
HM 	<u>Henry Matthews</u> Vittoria Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1894	1893-1930	9ct gold

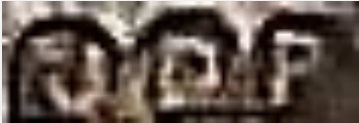
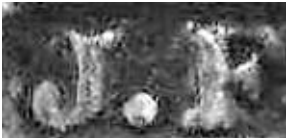
HMS 	<u>Howard Malcolm Stearn</u>	London	1982		London import mark see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
HO 		Birmingham	1902		
HOL 	<u>House of Lawrian</u> Leigh-on-Sea Essex	London	1977 1978 1979		<u>Christopher N Lawrence</u> see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
HP 	<u>Henry Parker</u>	Birmingham	1899 1904 1919		PP 14988 some thimbles with girl's names see also B&P
HR HRP 	<u>Historic Royal Palaces</u>	Birmingham London	1920 2002		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

HRS 	<u>Harvey R Sillis</u> Herts	Birmingham London	2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2007 2012		also works in silver-gilt & 9ct gold in 2000 HRS became of Fellow of the Institute of Professional Goldsmiths (IPG) using this mark on his thimbles  <i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
HS - i 	<u>Henry Swann</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1888 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1901	January 1893	jeweller registered as a thimble maker no relation of <u>James Swann</u>
HS - ii 	<u>Harrods</u>	Sheffield			thimbles marked 925 no assay date 
HT - i 	<u>Walter Thornhill & Co</u> (Hubert Thornhill) New Bond Street London	London	1893		
HT - ii 	<u>F J H Thomas</u> (Francis John Horace Thomas and Joseph Thomas trading as ...) St Paul's Terrace Birmingham	Birmingham	1888 1893		jewellers
HT - iii 			1977		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

HW – i  HWL^D.  HWL^{TD}. 	<u>Henry Williamson Ltd</u> 81 Farringdon Road London	Birmingham Chester	1875 1881 1885 1886 1889 1890 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1902 1903 1904 1905 1906 1907 1908 1909 1911 1912 1914	1879 Chester	factor Chester thimbles made by CH as some bear his Registered design numbers mark can be mistaken for HWL as the small D is often missed
HW – ii 	<u>Henry Walker</u>	Birmingham		1850-1899	
HW – iii	<u>Henry Wainwright</u> 1 Regent Street Birmingham	Chester	1891 1898 1899	1891-1892	thimbles made by CH jeweller
HW – iiiii 		London	1986		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
HW&Co 	<u>Horace Woodward & Co</u> Great Charles Street Birmingham and Hatton Garden London EC	Birmingham	1888	1876-1882	pepper-shaker in thimble shape RD No unknown 1882
HWD	<u>Henry William Dee</u>	Chester	1895		
HWI	<u>Harriet Samuel</u> Manchester	Birmingham	1899 1901	1895-	watchmaker & jeweller in 1985 acquired the business of JW & Co
HWP	<u>Henry William Purcell</u>				took a patent 1880
IA	<u>Joseph Addis</u> Birmingham			1828-1885	

IB 	<u>John Bettridge</u> Church Street Birmingham		early 18 th century	June 1822	an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #63 64
IC - i 	<u>Joseph Cooper</u>		early 18 th century		an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #65 73 91 92
IC - ii 		London	1898		
IF IG 	<u>John Fossey</u>		1902 early 18 th century		an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #75
IH			early 18 th century		an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #62
II			early 18 th century		an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #72
IOM 					925
IP	<u>John Piercy</u> 105 Snow Hill Birmingham			1773-1801	
IS&C° 	<u>Isaac Silverston & Co</u> 19-20 Summerhill Terrace Birmingham	Chester	1893 1895 1897 1903	9 th November 1898	thimbles made by CH

IT 	<u>Joseph Taylor</u> Newhall Street Birmingham			April 1813; 1786-1827	tho his thimbles have their maker's marks, the thimbles were made pre-hallmarking see also: Taylor & Perry
J&RG 	<u>Joseph & Richard Griffin</u> Hylton Street Birmingham	Chester	1907	1895-1925	manufacturing jewellers & silversmiths
J&SB 	<u>John Wightman & Sarah McKechnie Bell</u>	Edinburgh	1987	1987-1997	"they described themselves as amateur lapidaries and silversmiths" see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JA 	<u>James Allen</u>	Birmingham	1895 1898	August 1890	
JBC&S^{LD} 	<u>J B Chatterley & Sons Ltd</u> Newtown Road Birmingham	Birmingham	1976 1977	October 1925	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JC – i 	<u>James Collins</u> Frederick Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1881	1816-1838	
JC – ii  JC&S 	<u>Joseph Cook (& Son)</u> Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1881 1882 1884 1886 1887 1888 1889 1891 1892 1893 1894 1896 1897 1899 1901 1903 1904 1905 1906 1907 1909 1912 1916 1918	1862-1878; 1888-1889 Birmingham 1888 Chester	some thimbles made by HG&S as his size numbers (13-20) used

JC – iii 	<u>John Culver</u> 26 Spencer Street Clerkenwell London	Birmingham	1876 1886 1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1893 1896 1911		made one of the first hallmarked <u>cab</u> le thimbles (1876) may be confused/mistaken as JO
JC – iiiii  	<u>Elizabeth Jane Chantler</u> Eden Valley Brough Cumbria	Edinburgh Sheffield	2002 2006 2007 2012 2013		mark used when Jane became an independent artist-craftswoman see also EJC see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JD&C^o.L^d.  JDL^d. 	<u>Johnson, Durban & Co Ltd</u> Aston Road and Hubert Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1898 1901 1902 1904 1905	1897-1904 Birmingham	thimbles made by HG&S as his size numbers (13-20) used
JDP 		London	1957		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
JF 	<u>James Fenton</u> 74 Great Hampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester Sheffield	1879-1939 hallmarked thimbles too many thimbles to list	1852-1956 Birmingham 1854 Sheffield	also produced 9ct & 15ct gold thimbles Fenton only sold his thimbles thru wholesalers R^p103216 Gripper thimble 1888 R^p202312 Multi Stones 1892 R^p202533 Shamrock & Harp 1892 R^p206738 Salt and peppers shakers R^p212114 Holly leaves 1893 R^p280564 Bicycle 1896 R^p281980 Moon & stars JF sized his thimbles from 1887 higher number smaller size

JFA 					not hallmarked 925 and size number
JFB 		London	1982		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> still to be identified topic
JG 	Joseph Gloster Lion Silver Works Hockley Hill Birmingham	Birmingham	1900	1888	
JH 	<u>John Huddleston</u> Radley Oxfordshire	London	2014 2017		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JH&S - i 	<u>Joshua Horton & Son</u> Hatton Garden London	Birmingham			
JH&S - ii 	<u>Joseph Hayward & Son</u> Frederick Street Birmingham	Birmingham Sheffield	1958 1961 1962 1963 1967 1978	May 1957	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JHB 	<u>John H Berry</u> 51 Teme Street Tenbury Wells Worcestershire	Sheffield	1979	1978-2018	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JHP 	John Henry Potter Rockingham Works Sheffield	Sheffield	1906		see also POTTER
JK		Birmingham	1905		
JK&F		Chester	1908		

JL - i	<u>John Lowe</u> 87 Hatchet Street Birmingham			1854-1856 Birmingham	
JL - ii 	<u>John Linegar</u>	Birmingham	1881	Jan 1865	
JL&Co 		Chester			Chester thimbles made by CH as some bear his Registered design numbers
JMB  	<u>John Michael Bickerton</u> Bickerton Jewellery 23 Vyse street Birmingham	Birmingham	1981		the second mark is on an unassayed thimble for 1981 royal wedding see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JMK 		Birmingham	1989	1978-1995	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
JNH 	<u>John Herbertson</u>	London	1977 1979 1993 1995		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JNL 	<u>J.N. Lowe (Sheffield) Limited</u>	Sheffield	1978		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
JP	<u>Joseph Price</u> 19 Red Lion Street Clerkenwell	Birmingham	1897		Elizabeth Aldridge <i>Thoughts on thimbles. Part V Commemorative thimbles</i> . TCI 1984

JR 		Birmingham			
JS  JS&S 	<u>James Swann (& Son)</u> 25 Hylton Street Birmingham <i>then</i> 59 Branston Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester Dublin Edinburgh London Sheffield	1889-2003 hallmarked thimbles too many dates to list	JS Sept 1887 JS&S Mar 1922 JS&S 1930 Edinburgh	registered as thimble makers JS R^D178362 Diamond Gripper 1891 sizing started 1896 enamelled thimbles from 1960s Ray Coggle owned the business from 1970, which he closed in April 2005 see also <u>Swann Thimbles</u> S(T) <u>Peter Swingler</u> PS used some JS&S thimbles for his handpainted enamelled thimbles sizes: the smaller the number the bigger the size
JT 	<u>John Tongue</u> Birmingham	Chester London	1892 1895 1900		
JT&S  	<u>John Thompson & Sons</u> 41 Old Street London EC	Birmingham Chester	1880 1881 1882 1883 1885 1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1893 1894 1895 1896 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1906 1907 1908 1909 1910 1913 1915 1919	1882 Birmingham 1904 Chester	manufacturing jewellers Chester thimbles made by CH as some bear his Registration design numbers some thimbles made by HG&S as his size numbers (13-20) used
JU&S	<u>James Ward Usher</u> 192 High Street Lincoln	Birmingham Chester	1892		<u>Lincoln Imp</u> thimbles see also CU
JW – i	<u>J Williamson</u>		c.1840		
JW – ii	<u>James Webb</u> Birmingham			1843-1890	

JW – iii 	<u>Joseph Willmore</u> Birmingham			1803-1832 Birmingham	
JWK 	<u>John William Kirwan</u> 6 Vyse Street Birmingham	Birmingham Edinburgh London	1893 1913	1880 Birmingham	silver & gold thistle-shaped thimbles 1893 R^D222443 by <u>H Poths & Co</u> made other 9ct gold thimbles
JWL^{TD} 	<u>James Walker Limited</u> High Street Streatham London	Birmingham Chester London	1919 1923 1924 1925 1928 1929		London jewellers “ <u>James Walker Wishes you Luck</u> ” & “ <u>James Walker the London Jeweller</u> ” these thimbles were given away with the purchase of a wedding ring during 1920s “ <u>Steel-Clad</u> ” thimbles bear their maker’s mark also made 9ct thimbles made by HG&S
K&Co 					pre-1884
KB 	<u>Kenneth Baguley</u> (Baguley & Sons)	London	1981		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
KE 	<u>Kay Thetford-Kendall</u>	Birmingham	1986		see also DWK see <i>Learn...Kay Thetford-Kendall thimbles</i> topic
KEH&S 		Birmingham	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

KHG 	<u>Keith Hamilton-Gabb</u> Sutton Coldfield West Midlands	Birmingham	1990 2000		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
KJJ 	<u>Kenneth James Jack</u> Northfield Birmingham	Birmingham	2000 2006		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
KK 	<u>Kilkenny Design Workshops</u>	Dublin	1984		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
KK&I		Birmingham	1978		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
KLD 	<u>K L Downes</u> 30 Tenby Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1981		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
KMH		Sheffield	1982		including 9ct thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
KMK 		London	1990		imported mark
KMS 	<u>K M Silver</u> Holly Lane Erdington Birmingham <i>later</i> Vyse Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1984 1985 1997		<i>their thimbles feature in Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i>

KP 	<u>Ken Palmer</u>	Birmingham	1987 1988		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
KT		Birmingham	1886		engraved with <u>Jubilee V.R.1887</u>
L&C		Birmingham	1895		
L&S 	<u>Levi & Salaman</u> (proprietors Phinias Harris Levi & Joseph Wolfe Salaman) Hamsell Street London (taken over by Barker Bros 1921)	Birmingham London	1888 1900 1901 1902 1909 1911 1912 1913	1897 London	showrooms in London opened in 1897 some examples have enamelling
LAQ 		Birmingham	1985		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
LB&Co 	<u>L Bennet & Co</u>	Birmingham	1901		
LBW 		Birmingham	1982		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
LCJ 	<u>Lorna Christie Jewellery</u> Isle of Mull Scotland	Edinburgh	1989 1992	1989-1999	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
LE 	<u>Lawrence Emanuel</u> Warstone Parade Birmingham	Birmingham	1892	March 1925	

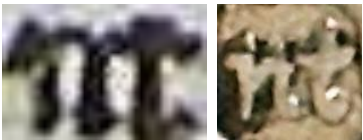
LH 	<u>Leopold Heinzelmann</u> Atlantic Road London SW	London	1901	February 1900	
LI  (sketch)		Birmingham	1999		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> still to be identified topic
LL 	<u>Links of London</u>	London	1991		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
LR 	<u>Ludwig Redl</u> Austria	London	1983 1984 1985		see also GJD see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
LRW 	<u>Laurence R Watson & Co</u> Sheriff Hutton York North Yorkshire	Birmingham	1984		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
LS 	<u>Lionel Spiers</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1887 1888 1914	October 1886	made girl's name thimbles also produced 9ct gold thimbles see also DLS

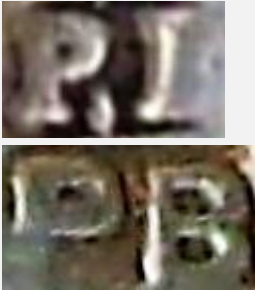
LT 	<u>Lee Tyers</u> Nottingham (director Repousse Ltd)	Birmingham	2004	2014	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
LY&C^o 	<u>Liberty & Co</u>	Edinburgh	1987 1988 1989		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
M&A 	<u>Moody & Archer</u> 18-19 Caroline Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1978 1985	February 1973	<u>Jo & John Withers</u> of Madeley, Telford in Shropshire applied handpainted enamelling on silver thimbles made by M&A see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
M&B 	<u>Marples & Beasley</u> Albion Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1891		
M&C 	<u>Marks & Cohen</u> (Walter Henry Marks & Samuel Tobias Cohen) Camden Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1897 1903 1905 1907 1908 1909 1911		Chester thimbles made by CH some thimbles made by HG&S
M&Co	<u>Richard Charles March</u> 17 New Street Birmingham	London	1897 1899		manufacturing jewellers
MA&S 		Birmingham	1981		thimbles made by <u>Julius Wengert</u> of Pforzheim Germany with Birmingham import mark see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
MAA		Birmingham	1917		

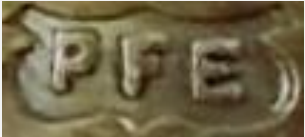
MAB 	<u>Michael Allen Bolton</u> Cornwall	London	1975 1984 1989	1983	1938-2016 <i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
MBROS 	<u>Miller Bros</u> (Charles Dew Miller George Woodville Miller Richard William Bently Miller) Newgate London	Birmingham	1895 1887		
MCASLtd		Birmingham Chester	1900 1901 1910 1923		
MCL&CO 					
MDH 	<u>Michael D Hilliar</u>	Dublin	1974 1983 1988 1991		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
ME 	<u>Maureen Edgar</u> Eyemouth Berwickshire	Edinburgh	1982 1983 1984	Dec 1974; lapsed 2006	her thimbles are enamelled <i>see Learn...Modern British enamelled thimbles topic</i>
MER 	<u>Margarette Elizabeth Round</u>	London	1973		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
MG 	<u>Martyn Guille</u>	London	1999 2000		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
MGLP 	<u>Monica Gems Ltd</u> 46 Berwick Street London W1F 8SG	London	1999 2000		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i> the jeweller is <u>Monica Vinader</u>

MH 	<u>Mark Houghton (Ltd)</u> 63-66 Hatton Garden London	Birmingham London Sheffield	1993 1998 1999 2002 2004		thimbles made by JS&S some of his thimbles bear an import mark see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
MHL^D 					
MHML^{TD} 	<u>M H Meyer Ltd</u> Clerkenwell London	Chester	1911	June 1909	thimbles made by HG&S – his size marks (12-20) used
MJET 		Birmingham	1981		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
MJT		London			see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
MK - i 	<u>Malcolm Knight</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1982 1990 1993	1970	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic thimbles made by AJP
MK – ii 	<u>M Kamin & Co Ltd</u>	Birmingham	1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1992 1996 2000		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
MKT 	<u>Malcolm Keith Turner</u> St Giles Street Norwich	London	1996	1983-2005	some imported from Thailand see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

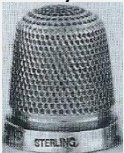
ML	<u>Matthew Linwood</u> Newhall Street Birmingham	Birmingham	early 1800s		silversmith & jeweller, who also made thimbles
MM 	<u>Montagu Malleson</u> 15 Poynings Way West Finchley London N12 7LP	London	1980		dental surgeon (Guy's Hospital) artist & silversmith <i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
MMH 		London	1981		silver-gilt thimbles
MN&C° 	<u>Marion & Co</u> New Oxford Street <i>later</i> Soho Square London W	Chester	1900 1901 1902 1904 1906	14 th July 1900	manufacturing jeweller thimbles made by HG&S punch marks sent in by <u>E Langridge</u> , manufacturing silversmith
M^N&W^B 	<u>Mappin & Webb</u> London	London	1977 1978 1981		retailers see also <u>Gerald Benney</u> AGB , <u>House of Lawrian</u> HOL and <u>Trevor Towner</u> TT <i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
MSL 		London	1992		9ct <i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
MW		Birmingham	1983		
NB		London	1969		<i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
NG – i 	<u>Norman Grant</u> "Dust Jewellery" Lower Largo Fife Scotland	Edinburgh	1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988		started at: Lundin Links Fife <i>see Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>

NG – ii NGC^o 	<u>Northern Goldsmiths</u> <u>Northern Goldsmiths & Co</u> 1 Blackett Street Newcastle upon Tyne	Birmingham Chester	1907 1926 1927 1929 1942	January 1916 Chester	marks found mainly on English advertising thimbles probably made by HG&S who made most of these thimbles in late 1920s dropped the "Co" in 1918
NM 	<u>Nathaniel Mills</u> 11 1/2 Howard Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1855	1825-	
NSHP	<u>N St J Paint & Sons</u> St Peters Port Guernsey	London	1999		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
NT 	<u>Next PLC</u>	Birmingham London	1989	1988 London	there seem to be two slightly different maker's marks – both Birmingham see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
NTS 	<u>National Trust of Scotland</u>	Edinburgh	1986 1991		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic who made their thimbles?
OA  OA&S 	<u>Olney, Amsden (& Son)</u> 9/11 Falcon Street London EC	Birmingham Chester Sheffield	1887 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1907 1908 1910 1911 1913 1914 1923	23 April 1900	wholesale haberdashers, warehousemen, importers of foreign goods & warehouses Chester thimbles made by made by HG&S as his size numbers (13-20) used Birmingham thimbles made by JF some with his Registered design numbers see <i>Learn...Olney, Amsden thimbles</i> topic
OMG 	<u>Ola M Gorie</u> Kirkwall Orkney Scotland	Edinburgh	1981 1988 1989 1992		modern gold & silversmith no longer producing thimbles some thimbles not assayed – st.sil. see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

P&P 	<u>Pope & Phelps</u> (Henry Pope & Stephen Phelps) Frederick Street Birmingham	-	-	November 1879 Chester	pre-hallmarking maker's mark on a <u>Windsor Castle</u> thimble
P&S - i 	<u>Swatkins Group</u> Leamore House 222 Leamore Lane Walsall West Midlands WS2 7DQ	Birmingham	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
P&S - ii 	<u>Pattison & Son</u> Thirsk North Yorkshire	Sheffield	1983	1978	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PA 	<u>Philip Antrobus</u> 55 Upper Tower Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1878 1881 1886 1890 1891 1893 1896	November 1863- 1891	the firm still operates into 21 st C in London see <i>Learn...Philip Antrobus thimbles</i> topic
PB 	<u>Percy Frederick John Barrett</u>	Birmingham	1886		importer & manufacturer of fancy goods, in Hastings England some not assayed, as made pre-1884 see also Barrett thimbles made by JS as punchmark sent in by <u>Swann</u>
PC - i 		Birmingham	1989 1991		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
PC - ii		Sheffield	1993		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

PCMA 	<u>Peter Charles Maxwell-Aylwin</u>	London	1980	1977	goldsmith see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PDAC 	<u>Philip D. A. Campbell</u> Tobermory Isle of Mull Scotland	Edinburgh	1980 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1993	1972-1994	PDAC was no longer making thimbles when I visited their showroom in 2012 see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PFE 		Birmingham	2015		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
PFJ 	<u>P F Jackson</u> 35 Frederick Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1926		factor thimbles made by HG&S as his size numbers (13-20) used
PGL^D 	<u>Peter Gillmore Ltd</u>	London	1977		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PH		Sheffield	1993		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
PHV&C^o 	<u>P H Vogel & Co</u> Warstone Parade Birmingham	Birmingham	1964 1972		thimblefuls see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

PJD 	<u>Peter John Doherty</u> (PJD Silver Ltd - from 1995) Branston Street Birmingham <i>later</i> Queensway Halesowen Worcestershire Belbroughton Worcestershire	Birmingham	1986		manufacturing silversmith died 2009 see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PJH 		Birmingham	1986		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PJM 	<u>Merriman Silver Ltd</u> (Philippa J Merriman) Lancaster Lancashire	Sheffield	1995		
PKG 		London	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
PL 	<u>Peter Ladell</u>	Sheffield	2000		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PN 	<u>Peter Nicholas</u>	London	1990		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
POTTER 		Chester Sheffield	1906 1918		see also JHP

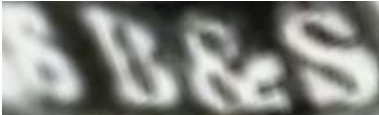
PP&TL^{TD} 	<u>Perks Pearce & Thompson</u> 83-84 Vyse Street Birmingham				jeweller most of their thimbles not assayed marked "STERLING" 
PRL 	<u>Peter Robert Larratt</u>	London	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PS 	<u>Peter Swingler</u>	Birmingham	1975 1976 1977 1981 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1990 2003		handpainted enamelling also painted enamelled thimbles on JS&S - G&N and AJP sterling thimbles died 28/8/2015 see <i>Learn...Peter Swingler</i> topic
PVM 	<u>Paul V Morley</u>	London	1968 1982 1983 1987		incorporates enamelling also produces 18ct thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
PXI 		Birmingham	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
R&BJC 		London	1978		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
R&H 	<u>Rayment & Hull</u> 8 Singleton Close Minster Isle of Thanet Kent	Birmingham London	1995 1997 1998		two goldsmiths and silversmiths <u>Neil Rayment</u> & <u>Robert Hull</u> founded Rayment & Hull in 1990 see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
RA&C° 		Birmingham	1900 1903		

RB - i			early 18 th century		an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #71
RB - ii 		London	1900 1901		
RC - i 	<u>Robert Carr</u> Troy House 2 Holbrook Avenue Sheffield S20 3FH	Sheffield	1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2006		copies of Victorian thimble patterns; thin; cast with a seam join hallmarks lasered on see also ARC see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
RC - ii 	<u>Ronald Cordon</u>	London	1981	1974	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
RC-S 	<u>Robert Catterson-Smith</u>	Birmingham	1898	November 1907	factor
REP 	<u>R E Porter</u> 2-6 Post Office Road Bournemouth	Birmingham	1981		jewellers see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
RF 	<u>Ron Fairweather</u> Crown Yard Wirksworth Derbyshire	Sheffield	1986		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
RGS 		London	1982		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

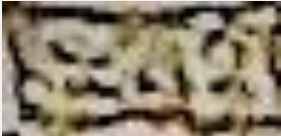
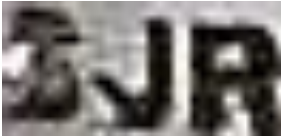
RH&C° 	<u>Robert Harris & Co</u> Carlton Ave Liverpool	Birmingham	1924	9 September 1908 last registration 1 April 1925	thimbles probably made by HG&S
RJH 	<u>James Harvey & Co</u> (Robert John Harvey) Regent Street London	Birmingham	1897		
RL 	<u>Robert Legg</u> (later Robert Campbell Legg)	London	1981		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
RL^D 		Birmingham	1976		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
RLH 	<u>R L Heaton</u> (Mr) Buxton	Sheffield	1981 1988	1974 still registered in 2010	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
RN 	<u>Ray Nimmo</u>	Birmingham	2013 2014 2015 2016 2020	11 June 2013	1 st : un-hallmarked thimbles made 2007-2012 2 nd : 'sterling' lettered underneath 3 rd : registered mark with the assay office 2013 see <i>Ray Nimmo's thimbles</i>

RP - i   RP&Co  	<u>Robert Pringle (& Sons)</u> <u>(& Co)</u> 40 Clerkenwell Road London EC1	Birmingham Chester London	1891 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1905 1906 1907 1908 1909 1910 1911 1912 1913 1914 1915 1923	October 1871 London 1887 Chester 1898-1910	wholesale jewellers (est. 1835) Chester thimbles made by CH London thimbles made by SF as some bear his registered design numbers Birmingham thimbles made by JF 3 rd : marks found on steel-cored thimbles made by CH see <i>Learn...Robert Pringle & Sons thimbles</i>
RP - ii			1986		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
RR 	<u>Russell C Rimes</u> 63 Cobnar Street Sheffield	Sheffield	1985 1986 1988 1989	1976 still registered in 2017	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
RRS 		Birmingham	1913		
RSW		Birmingham	1972		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
RW - i 		Birmingham	1886		
RW - ii 	<u>Ralph Weston</u> (Kells Gold & Silversmiths (Whitby) Ltd) 11 Grape Lane Whitby YO22 4BA	Edinburgh	1999 2000		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>

RWH 	<u>Robert Walter Moody</u> Dalry Ayrshire	Edinburgh	1983	1975	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
S&C	<u>Sloane & Carter</u> Spencer Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1900 1909 1911		jewellers
S&C° - i 	<u>Spurrier & Co</u> Holland St Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1903 1905 1910 1912 1918	1886-1901 Birmingham	
S&C° - ii 	<u>Skinner & Co</u>	London	1991 1993		made by JS&S see <i>Learn...Modern British enamelled thimbles</i> topic
S&Co - iii 	<u>Sydney & Co</u> Powell Street Birmingham & Summerhill Road Birmingham	Chester	1904 1906 1911 1923	1906	manufacturing silversmiths Chester thimbles made by CH still in business in 1973
S&Co - iiiii 	<u>Steinhart #Co</u> Newhall Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1903	1904-1929	imported goods
S&D 		Birmingham	1987		9ct gold thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
S&G 	<u>Salmon & Gluckstein</u> Clerkenwell Road London EC and 58 Holborn Viaduct London EC	Chester	1904	7 March 1896	tobacconists with fancy goods dept thimbles made by CH they sold to Imperial Tobacco & Co in 1904

S&S 		Birmingham	1921		
S&SL^{TD} 					is this an early mark for <u>Saunders & Shepherd?</u> see also CS*FS
SAH 		Birmingham	1975		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
SAO 	<u>Sheffield Assay Office</u>	Sheffield	1982 1996		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
SB			early 18 th century		an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #197
SB&S  SB&S.L^D 	<u>S Blankensee & Son</u> (L ^D) Frederick Street and Great Hampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1879 1881 1882 1883 1884 1886 1887 1888 1894 1896 1899		in some thimble examples, the first S is poorly struck which makes the mark seem B&S
SBROS 	<u>Sydenham Bros</u> Tenby Street Birmingham	Chester	1892 1894 1896 1898 1900 1902 1905	1892	thimbles made by CH
SB^{RS} 	<u>Steel Brothers</u> Pope Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1900 1901 1902 1911	1891 Birmingham 1886 Chester	

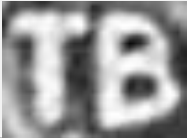
S'C  SC&C° 	<u>Stuart Clifford (& Co)</u>	London	1883 1890 1894 1895 1896 1899 1901 1903	1889	includes thimbles with highly chased patterns in relief, including panels of cherubs; and thimblefuls
SD 	<u>Stuart Devlin</u>	London	1980		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
SF - i 	<u>Samuel Foscett</u> 18 Great Sutton Street London EC	Birmingham Chester London	1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1906 1907 1908 1909	1886 Chester September 1886 London	listed in Post Office Directory 1890 as silver thimble makers – “gold, silver and steel silver-lined repairing and any size or shape made to order” Pat.19157 for Trueform fingernail shaped thimble, 1905 also R^d265923 see also HF see <i>Learn...Samuel Foscett thimbles</i> topic
SF - ii 	<u>Shirley Frost</u>	Birmingham	1970 1977 1978 1979 1980 1981		she won 1 st prize for design excellence in 1980s from the Design Centre, London contracted arthritis in her hands in her 40s so ceased thimble production her thimbles often copied=poor marks see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
SF&Co 		London	1908		
SG&S		Chester	1921		

SH 		Chester	1908		9ct gold thimbles
SJB 	<u>Simon J Beer</u> Lewes Sussex	Sheffield	1989		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
SJF 	<u>Stuart Johnson-Flint</u>	London	1983		see also DB
SJH 	<u>Sheila Holness</u> Brent Knoll Somerset	London	1990 2011		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
SJL&C° 	<u>S J Levi & Co</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1919 1940	1901-1938	electroplate manufacturers some of their thimbles made by HF (<u>Henry Fidkin</u>)
SJR  	<u>Stephen J Rose (& Son)</u> Ridgemount Street London WC1	Birmingham	1965 1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975 1976 1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1987 1989 1991 1992	1965-1974	Pro. Pat.53211 , 1965 also produced 9ct gold thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
SL	<u>Samuel Ludski</u>	Chester	1890		
SM - i 	<u>Samuel Massey</u>			1787-1788	

SM – ii 	<u>Sampson Mordan & Co</u> City Road And Regent Street London	London	1892	October 1880	
SM – iii 	<u>Samuel Meriton I</u>	London			steel-top/capped thimble manufacturer there were two silversmiths of this name "the elder" who was a silversmith in 18th C "the younger" made thimbles in 1820s an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #52 53 89 179
SM – iiiii 		Birmingham	1992		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
SMC 	<u>Susannah Mary (Molly) Challoner</u> Newcastle	London	1955	1923 (earlier mark) 1955	1955 is a rare date for British hallmarked thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

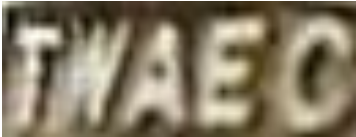
SMcL&C^o 	<u>Samuel McLardy</u> 67 Shudehill Manchester	Birmingham	1898 1900 1903 1905 1906 1907		
SMC^o 	<u>Sterling Merchandising Company</u> Kent	Birmingham	1979 1981 1982		silver manufacturers & importers see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
SP 	<u>Samuel Pemberton (& Son)</u> Snow Hill Birmingham	Birmingham		1773-1801, 1821	thimble maker

SR 		London	1894		
SRS 		London	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
ST - i 		Birmingham	1988		
S(T) - ii 	<u>Swann Thimbles</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1986 1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002	1986-2002	<u>Frank Jones</u> was a joint owner of JS&S with <u>Ray Coggle</u> 1970-1986 in 1986 Jones went out on his own as S(T) ceased thimble production in 2002 using S(T)
T (on a map) 	<u>Mike and Sylvia Thorpe</u>				thimbles not assayed they lived on Sark until 2000 see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
T&P 	<u>Taylor & Perry</u> (John Taylor and John Perry) 33 Newhall Street Birmingham	Birmingham		July 1829 active to 1857	thimble makers may have been the makers of the <u>Windsor Castle</u> & <u>Dover Castle</u> thimbles from 1840s successor to Joseph Taylor
T&S 	<u>W H Tandy & Sons</u> Vyse Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1893 1895 1899 1903		Chester thimbles made by CH

TB - i 	<u>Thomas Bartleet (and Jnr)</u> Great Charles Street Birmingham	Birmingham		May 1812 1816-1824	thimble and button maker example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #60 187 2 nd mark found on early steel top/capped thimble
TB - ii 	<u>Timothy Joseph Burtwell</u> Tring Hertfordshire	London	1979 1983 1987 1989 1991 1992 1996 1997		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
TB - iii 	<u>Thomas Buchanan</u> Cardenden Fife Scotland	Edinburgh	1979	1974	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
TB&W TB&Co TBROS 	<u>Turnbull & Woodin</u> <u>Turnbull Bros</u> Northampton Street and Warstone Lane Birmingham	Birmingham Birmingham	1882 1882 1892 1893 1895 1897	January 1888	bell-shaped thimbles R^p227060 1894
TB^s 	<u>Turner Bros</u> Warstone Lane Birmingham	Chester	1894 1896 1900 1901 1904 1908 1910 1911 1913 1916	1892	wholesaler jewellers thimbles made by CH as they bear his registration design numbers
TCG 	<u>Thimble Collectors Guild</u> Biggar Scotland	Edinburgh	1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1997 1998 1999 2000		some thimbles made by JS&S; S(T); PDAC see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

TDL^{TD} 	<u>Troika Designs Ltd</u> Frederick Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1982	September 1976	
TE 	<u>Thomas Kerr Ebbutt</u> Edinburgh	Edinburgh	1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1990		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
TEM 	<u>Thomas Edward Mannon</u> Worcester Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1896 1897		silversmith & jeweller
TF 	<u>Thomas Freeman</u> Great Hampton Street <i>then</i> Jamaica Row <i>and</i> 9 Howard Street Birmingham	Birmingham		1822-1837	 1848 advertisement
THH 	<u>T H Hazlewood & Co</u> Barr Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1911	May 1907	
TJ 	<u>Thomas Johnson II</u>	London	1872 1883		
TK&F 	<u>Tozer, Kemsley & Fisher</u> 84 Fenchurch Street London	Birmingham	1902 1905 1906 1907 1908 1911	registered many punches 1905-1914	shipping merchants
TK&FL^{TD} 					

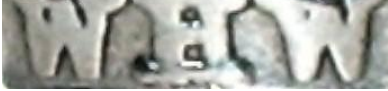
TK&S 	<u>Toye, Kenning & Spencer</u> Great Queen Street London WC2	Birmingham	1982		enamelling & s/s made by JS&S see <i>Learn...Modern British enamelled thimbles</i> topic
TL 	<u>Thomas Lawrence</u> Birmingham	Birmingham		July 1834	
TLTD 		Birmingham	1987		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
TM - i 	<u>Thomas Meriton</u>			March 1791 London	child's thimble
TM - ii 		Chester	1886 1902		
TO  	<u>Thomas Oakley</u>	Birmingham	1883 1887 1907 1912	1881	
TPC 	<u>Timothy P Clayton</u> London	London	1977		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

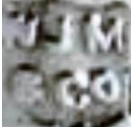
TR 	<u>Thomas Richards</u>	London	1844	May 1812	
TSL 	<u>Thimble Society of London</u>	London	1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1989 1992 1994 2000		some of their commissioned thimbles made JS&S see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
TT 	<u>Trevor Towner</u> Lyndum House 12 High Street Petersfield Hampshire	London	1977 1991 1992 2006 2007 2011 2012		Fellow of the Institute of Professional Goldsmiths IPG mark not yet seen on his thimbles see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
TWAE C 		London	2002		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic ...
V&S 	<u>Vaughton & Sons</u> Livery Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1893	1888	Just a Thimble Full
VGM 		Birmingham	1890		
VJA 	<u>Vincent J Ashworth</u> Wolds Silver Leppington Malton	London	1993		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
VM 		Edinburgh	1983		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic

VMH 	<u>Vera Mary Honeker</u> Esher Surrey	London	1983		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
VML 		London	1979		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified</i> topic
VN 	<u>Vira Nutayakul</u>	London	1978 1979 1980	1973	thimble marks for London Assay Office - no Lion Passant mark 925 used instead for foreign manufacturer <u>Thai Designs Dist. Ltd.</u> Wembley Middlesex see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
W&C° 					1840s fingerguard
W&GM 	<u>Walter & George Myers</u> Northumberland Street Birmingham	Birmingham			
W&H - i 	<u>Wood & Hughes</u>	Birmingham Chester	1897 1913		
W&H - ii 	<u>Walker & Hall</u> Sheffield				makers of <u>Dura</u> - steel-cored silver thimbles these thimbles are not hallmarked
WA 	<u>William Adams Ltd</u> Barr Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1982		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

WBL^P 	<u>Williams (Birmingham) Ltd</u> Goodman Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1903	April 1902	operated 1902-1910 thimblefuls
WBROS 	<u>Wengold Bros</u> 84 Corporation Road Manchester	Chester	1900	22 February 1902	wholesale jewellers thimbles made by CH
WCM 	<u>William Clark Manton</u> Hylton Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1911		
WD – i 	<u>William Devenport</u> Spencer Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1897	1902	
WD – ii 	<u>William Davies</u> 146 Hockley Hill Birmingham	Birmingham Chester London	1896 1906		
WEHW		Chester			made by CH as some bear his Registration design numbers
WEP&Co 	<u>W E Patterson & Co</u> Warstone Lane Birmingham	Birmingham	1916		manufacturing jewellers
WES 	<u>William Ernest Stallard</u> Bridge Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1894 1897		
WFH 	<u>William Frederick Holmes</u>	Birmingham	1900 1901 1903 1906		
WG&S 	<u>William Griffiths & Sons</u> Northampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1897		manufacturing jeweller thimbles made by HG&S

WGM 	<u>Walter & George Myers</u> Northampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1889 1891 1892 1893 1894 1901 1903 1904 1910	1892	Chester thimbles made by CH as some bear his Registration design numbers
WH 	<u>William Hutchinson</u> Belgrave Terrace Birmingham	Chester	1892 1895 1898 1899 1900 1903 1904 1907 1910 1925		thimbles made by CH
WH&Co 		Chester	1891		
WHC – i 	<u>W H Crouch</u> London and Swansea	Birmingham Chester	1908 1926		<u>Crouch</u> were jewellers in Swansea thimbles probably made by HG&S had advertising thimbles made in the 1920s
WHC – ii 	<u>William Henry Creswick</u> Branscombe Devon	Chester	1960 1978	1945	gold thimbles, including charms or doll's thimbles "Artist in gold & silver"
WHD 					possibly a mid-Victorian thimble maker's mark
WHK 	<u>W H Kirby</u>	Birmingham	1892		
WHM 	<u>W H Miller</u> (trading as Miller Jewellers Ltd) 21-22 Central Arcade Birmingham	Birmingham	1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1989		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic

WHML^D 		Chester	1902		
WHN 	<u>W H Newman Ltd</u> Sandpits Birmingham	Birmingham	1909		
WHS – i 	<u>William Henry Sparrow</u> Spencer Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1902 1903 1904 1905	1903-1906	some of his thimbles made by made by HG&S as his size numbers (13-20) used
WHS – ii 	<u>Walter Searle</u>	Birmingham	1916		
WHW 	<u>William Harrison Walter</u> 31 Newgate Street London EC	Chester	1884 1885 1889 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1906	29 August 1895	factor/silversmith thimbles made by CH as some bear his Registered design numbers
WI 	<u>William Lewis</u> Rosebery Avenue London and Northampton Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1912		
WJ	<u>William Jordan</u>	London			
WJD 	<u>William James Dingley</u> Warstone Lane Birmingham	Birmingham	1905		Just a Thimbleful
WJF		London	1892		

WJH 	<u>William James Holmes</u> Hockley Workshops Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1893 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1906 1907 1908 1909 1910 1911 1912 1913		this silversmith also worked with enamelling but not known on thimbles & his enamelled work on spoons is rare Chester thimbles made by CH some also made by HF (<u>Henry Fowler</u>) as some have his R^p297020
WJM&C^o 	<u>W J Myatt & Co</u> Birmingham	Birmingham	1902 1911 1912 1918 1919 1920 1940?	1901-1906	some thimbles have enamelled bands these were made by HF (<u>Henry Fidkin</u>)
WJR 	<u>W J Rodgers</u>	Birmingham	1899	December 1898	
WL 	<u>Walter Lunt</u> Handsworth Birmingham	Birmingham	1886 1888 1890 1891 1892 1893 1896 1897 1899 1907	1891	silversmith & jeweller
WLC&C^o. 		Birmingham	1902		thimbles with examples of enamelled band
WLS 	<u>Wensum Lodge Silversmiths</u> Norwich	Sheffield	1984		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
WM 	<u>William H Manton</u> (trading as Birmingham Gold & Silversmiths Ltd) Pittsford Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1993 1995 1996	March 1974	see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles</i> topic
WM&CO 	<u>Wilmot Manufacturing Co</u> Camden Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1923	1912	

WMH	<u>W M Hawkes</u> Birmingham	Birmingham Chester	1894 1899 1900 1909	August 1879 Birmingham	registered as a thimble maker
WMS 		Birmingham	1983		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles still to be identified topic</i>
WP^s 		Chester			
WS 	<u>Wilkinson Silversmiths</u> 16 Well Street Birmingham	Birmingham	1987		see <i>Learn...Modern British sterling thimbles topic</i>
WS&P 	<u>Whitehill Silver & Plate Co</u>	Birmingham	1981 1982 1984 1987		made by JS&S see <i>Learn...Modern British enamelled thimbles topic</i>
WT - i 	<u>William Turton</u> London			1773-1791	an example of this early maker's thimble can be found in Christie's Holmes auction 1995 #54
WW - i WWLd 	<u>W Wilkinson</u> Skinner Street & Clerkenwell Road London	Birmingham Chester	1889 1894 1906		
WW - ii  	<u>Whitehill Silver & Plate Co</u>	Birmingham	1988 1990		made by JS&S see also: WS&P see <i>Learn...Modern British enamelled thimbles topic</i>

WWK&C° 	<u>W W Kent & Co</u> 44 Stokes Croft Bristol	Birmingham	1899		jewellers
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