

Charles Atkinson ( ?-1902) tool manufacturer  
Joseph Jewitt (?-?) Beadle to the Cutlers' Company

Presented to the Company by Mrs Charles Atkinson in 1880.

Charles Atkinson lived in Heeley, a suburb to the south of Sheffield and was a manufacturer of joiners' tools with a factory on Chester Lane, Sheffield. He became a Freeman in 1860 and Master Cutler in 1864

He was the Mayor of Sheffield in 1858.

Joseph Jewitt is the Company's longest serving Beadle, serving from 1827 – 1870 A descendent of his, Christopher Jewitt, was Master Cutler in 1994.

This painting may have been executed when Atkinson was Mayor of Sheffield because he is wearing the Mayoral Chain. Joseph Jewitt, the Beadle to the Cutlers' Company, stands behind and is wearing his Beadle's Livery and Badge.

The painting cannot have been painted from life, since Atkinson had no connection with the Company while he was Mayor of Sheffield.

**Artist - Richard Smith (1818-1890)**

Richard Smith was born in Sheffield and was a descendent of George Smith, who was Master Cutler in 1749. Smith exhibited at the Royal Academy when he was only twenty years old. He painted a number of portraits of Masters which are in the Cutlers' Hall (William Bragge, Thomas Jessop and Sir John Brown.)