

ROBERT BELFITT, (1842-1930) Cutlery manufacturer
Given to the Company by L Brittain in 1970.

Robert Belfitt was born in 1842 and lived at 9 Lawson Road, Sheffield. He was managing director of George Butler & Co Ltd, cutlery and silver manufacturers.

He became Freeman 1876 and was Master Cutler in 1891, one of the declining number of Masters Cutler who were cutlery manufacturers.

He died in 1930.

Other public positions

Robert Belfitt was on the Commission of the Peace in Sheffield.

Artist - unknown

The portrait shows him wearing the old 'Mark Firth' Master's Badge, which was presented to Mark Firth, who was Master Cutler, 1867-70. It is much larger than the badge of office worn by the Masters Cutler today and was designed by Henry Archer, Sheffield School of Art and made by Thomas Bradbury in Sheffield