

Comb-making:

This branch of industry was introduced to Aberdeen as far back as 1788, but it was carried on in a very small way only till 1830, when the firm of Stewart, Rowell & Company, commenced on a larger scale than has been done in any other part of Scotland, and they were the first in Scotland to apply steam-power to this department.

The number of workmen employed by this firm is at present 245, the weekly amount of wages paid by them about L.90, and the number of combs of all kinds finished in this manufactory amounts to about 43,200 weekly, which, in consequence of the improvements recently introduced in the methods of manufacture, can be sold now at a price not more than one-sixth of what they cost nine years ago.