

MILL OCCUPATIONS & MACHINERY

Occupation	Responsibility
Comber Tender	The person who worked with or tended to the comber machine
Jack Tender	Short for "Jacquard," the jack tender worked with or tended to the Jacquard looms. Jacquard looms were able to create intricate, woven patterns in textiles
Loom Fixer	The person who sets up, adjusts, and repairs the loom
Ribbon Tender	The person who worked with or tended to a machine that makes ribbon
Twister Tender	The person who worked with or tended to the twister machine
Machine	Function
Comber	A machine used to "comb" through fibers. It separated the shorter fibers from the longer fibers. The longer fibers were used to make yarn. Fibers could be of cotton or wool, known as "worsted."
Doubler	A machine that "doubles" or combines two ends of yarn and twists them together. This produces a stronger yarn.
Jack Speeder	A type of Jacquard loom machine
Loom	A frame or machine for making fabric by weaving yarn or thread
Twister	A machine which twists together two or more separate ends of yard to produce ply or cable yarn (stronger and thicker yarn)