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Sailor Wagon

Gift of Marion Taggart 1998.056.002



Landfear Reed Organ (Melodeon) c. 1855

Mervin T. Landfear was born in 1820 in what is now Manchester (it was still East Hartford in 1820). He married Mary Jane Talcott of Coventry in 1848. He operated a music shop on Vernon St. at intersection with Lydall St. from about 1850 until 1860. Here he made Euphonicons and Piano Fortes and also repaired and tuned similar musical instruments. Landfear moved to Middletown, Conn. in 1860 and then to New Haven about 1870. In New Haven he continued to repair and tune pianos for customers in the surrounding towns. He died in 1909 and is buried in Manchester's East Cemetery.



MTT Landfear
Maker



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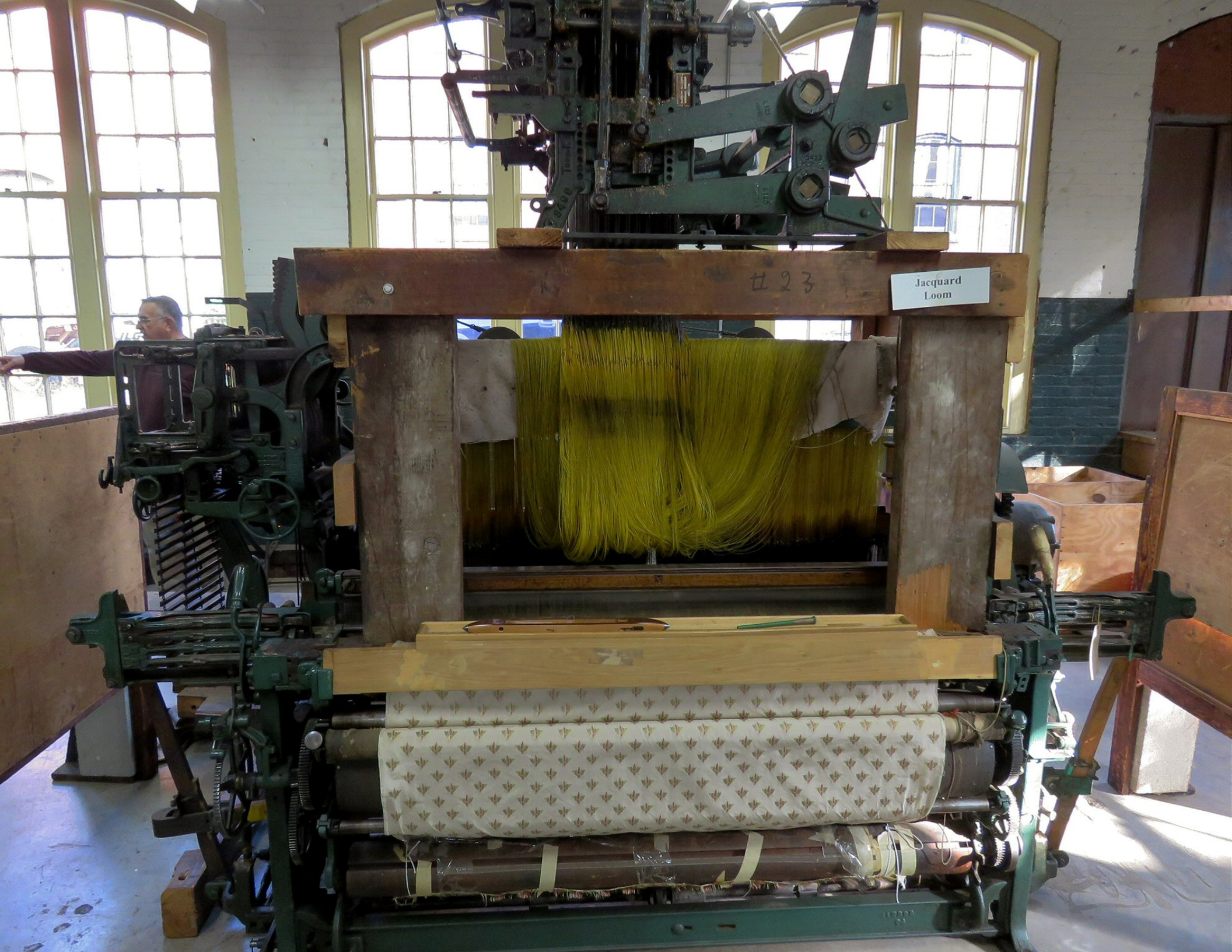
This telephone booth was originally used in the Velvet Weave Shed, across the street from the Velvet Mill. The weave shed was a very noisy place and this booth had a horn on the top to announce an incoming call over the noise of the many looms. It was donated to us in pieces and is currently undergoing restoration.

Gift of John Hughes

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Jacquard
Loom





Braiding Machine

This machine is used to make braided cord.

Pioneer Parachute used braided cord for the shroud lines in its parachutes.

Shoe laces are also braided cords.

Braiding machines like this can be operated by hand or belt drive. This machine is set up for hand operation. The handle on top must be turned counterclockwise.