

Irwell Springs



Known originally as the Corner Dye Works the firm had started off as a woollen printing mill converting to calico in about 1813. By 1865 the company was owned by the Seiber family who employed a workforce of 100, trading as the Turkey Red Dyeing Company. (Turkey red applies to the process of obtaining the vivid red cloth rather than the colour.)

Weir Mill was acquired by the company in 1918 becoming a dye house. By the end of 1963, the company was owned by Alliance Brothers Manchester. It was announced that the first notices of termination would be handed out to employees on January 17th 1964. Six years later the site had been partially demolished and plans for a supermarket published, these plans were abandoned in 1977.

