

Quarto, two volumes, ???

RARE FIRST EDITION OF WOODWORKER'S MANUAL

Manuel du tourneur

Author

BERGERON, [Louis-Eloy] [but Louis-Georges-Isaac SALIVET]

Publication date

1792-1796.

Publisher

Chez Bergeron,

Publication place

Paris,

Physical description

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Dimensions

Notes

In 1792, an important instructional book was published by Louis-Eloy Bergeron on the subject of the lathe, covering its mechanics, applications and benefits. The book was advertised to teach amateurs how to use all different types of lathe, or turner, to work various materials. The work's two volumes contained between them 72 engraved plates illustrating ways of using the instrument, its potential results, and the materials could be worked with. In addition to the treatise and illustrations of the lathe, ???some editions of the book also included a list of all the goods that could be acquired at

Bergeron's shop.

In 1816, a revised second edition of the work was published under the name Hamelin-Bergeron, who claimed to be the author's son-in-law. There has been much speculation on the identity of the Bergerons, with some claiming that both names were in fact pseudonyms for eminent Parisian lawyer, Louis-Georges-Isaac Salivet, while others identify them as real figures who published Salivet's work anonymously.

Bibliography

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