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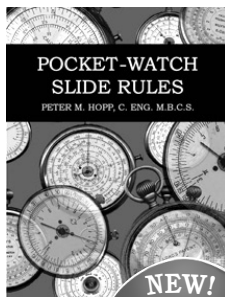
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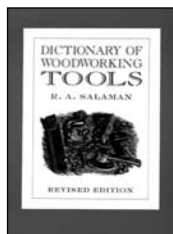


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tree feller, hoop maker, upholsterer, millwright, coffin maker and window maker. The present edition is a substantial enlargement of the original work, revised and updated by Philip Walker, himself an authoritative historian-collector of tools. *546 pages. Thousands of illustrations. 7 x 10. Soft cover. © 1997.*

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*"This is a massive and beautifully illustrated compendium which describes every hand tool used in the woodworking trades from the years 1700 to 1970."*—The New York Times

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c. 1700-1950 and the Tools of Allied Trades

R.A. Salaman

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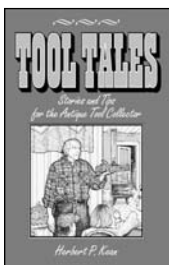
Driving Belt Maker, Furrier, Glove Maker, Handbag and Purse Maker, Harness Maker and Saddler, Hat Maker; and, among the miscellaneous trades, the Ball Maker, Coach Trimmer, Felt Maker, Last and Boot Tree Maker, Parchment and Vellum Maker, Taxidermist, and more besides. There are chapters on leather manufacture and on tools for the decoration of leather. With its great wealth of information and impeccable scholarship, this book is invaluable to leatherworkers, tool collectors, and industrial researchers alike. *400 pages. Completely illustrated. 7 x 10. Soft cover. © 1986.*

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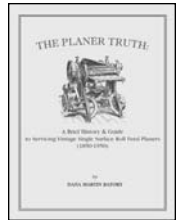
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There are also chapters on troubleshooting, practical information, and helpful hints. From required horsepower and halted feeding to snipes and torn grain, everything is covered. The book's detailed illustrations have been collected from the author's extensive library of period catalogs, manuals, and photographs. *160 pages. 8-1/2 x 11. Soft cover. © 2009.*



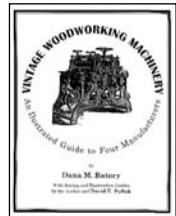
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Dana M. Batory

Here, for the first time, is a guide to four of the major woodworking machinery manufacturers: Fay & Egan, Yates-American, Defiance, and Oliver. Leaders in their field throughout the world, their products were used in all walks of life from lumber mills to furniture factories, from schools to arsenals, from shipyards to bakeries. The author's extensive original research has provided us with a history of each manufacturer, as well as a description of the evolution of its product lines over the years. Accompanying these fascinating histories are numerous beautiful illustrations reflecting each company's range of products, along with specifications and descriptions, taken from the catalogs of the period. In addition, the book provides invaluable information to collectors and users on buying and restoring old machines. *145 pages. Fully illustrated. 8-1/2 x 11. Soft cover. © 1997.*



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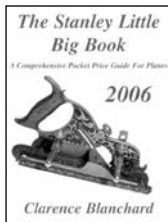


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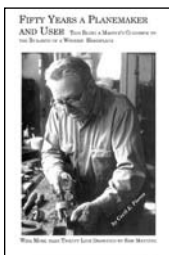
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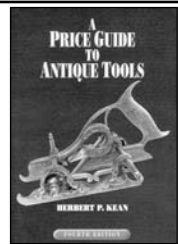


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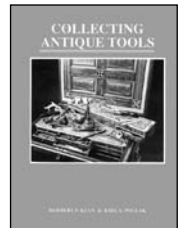


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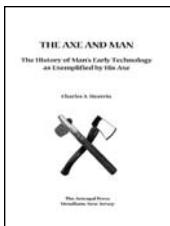
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### **Tools** **A Guide for Collectors, 2E** Jane & Mark Rees

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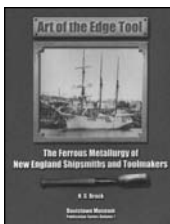


### **The Axe and Man** Charles A. Heavrin

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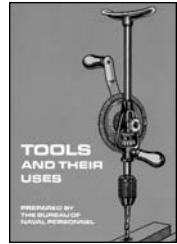
explores the use of felling axes, augers, drawshaves and mortising gouges, and the ways these then-cutting edge devices were used, providing evidence of our earliest, and most ambitious, pursuit of maritime technology. *226 pages. 8 x 10. Soft cover. © 2008.*

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**Registry of Maine Toolmakers, 5E**

Edited by H.G. Brack, Davistown Museum

*The Registry of Maine Toolmakers* is an ongoing documentation of the tool-makers of Maine's maritime era, 1607 to 1900. Its focus is the edge tool-makers and planemakers who supplied the tools for Maine's ship carpenters and timber harvesters, including blacksmiths who specialized in tool-making. The registry also includes listings of known toolmakers for other trades, including coopers, carriagemakers, cobblers and farmers. Registry entries contain the name of the craftsman, the town where he worked, the time period during which he was active and, where available, birth and death dates. Additional information about any particular craftsman is contained in a Remarks entry. The registry is preceded by a short section on the history of toolmaking and ship building in Maine. 271 pages. 8-1/2 x 11. Soft cover. Fully illustrated. © 2008.



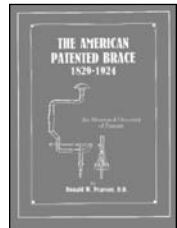
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**The American Patented Brace 1829-1924**

**An Illustrated Directory of Patents**

Ronald W. Pearson, D.O.

This is a vastly expanded successor to Dr. Pearson's earlier *Guide to American Brace Patents 1829-1910*. Not only are many newly discovered patents included, but these are now cross-indexed and illustrated and, for the first time, the author provides an indication of their rarity. Over 500 brace patents are listed alphabetically by patentee name and chronologically by date and patent number. There is a third index that lists patents by type of brace in four major categories: brace ratchet patents, corner brace patents, brace wrench patents, and brace combination tool patents. 192 pages. Fully illustrated. 8-1/2 x 11. Soft cover. © 1994.



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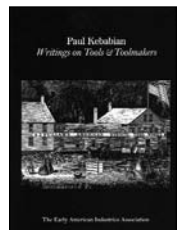
**Paul Kebabian**

**Writings on Tools and Toolmakers**

The Early American Industry Association

Forward by Ten Ingraham

One of the most important parts of a serious tool collector's collection is the written material used to research and learn about the artifacts they accumulate. In 2003, for the Annual Meeting of the Early American Industries Association, 14 articles by Paul Kebabian on a variety of tools, toolmakers and early trades were published as this collection. Kebabian, a librarian by vocation, has had many of his writings on tools and toolmakers appear in newsletters and journals such as *ACTIVE*, *Scrapbooks*, and *The Chronicle*. 32 pages. 8.5 x 11. Soft cover. © 2002.



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### Restoring Antique Tools

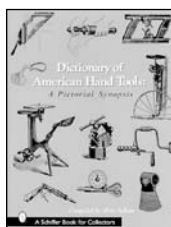
Herbert P. Kean

Here is the book that finally unlocks the secrets that professional restorers have been using for years. It explains critical (and previously closely-held) restoration techniques in a way that even the most uninitiated can understand and follow. There are chapters covering boring and edge tools, planes (wood, wood-bottomed, and metal), measuring tools, saws and other miscellaneous tools, as well as a general chapter on cleaning and refinishing. The author explains how to make a bow for a bow drill, how to make wedges for planes, how to replace vials in levels, and literally hundreds of other such invaluable instructions. *114 pages. Illustrated w/line drawings by the author. 6 x 9. Soft cover. © 2001.*

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"...[covers] stuff that only the top restorers know how to do."—The Chronicle

"Fantastic is the only way to describe [this] book. ...simply a must for libraries of all tool collectors."—The Tool Table



### Dictionary of American Hand Tools

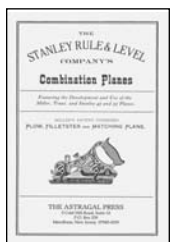
#### A Pictorial Synopsis

Compiled by Alvin Sellens

Here is a fascinating chronicle of nearly every tool ever used in North America, including ancient tools used by Native Americans; trade tools used to create coaches, pianos, ships, and saddles; tools for harvesting farm goods, turpentine, and ice; and tools for fine trades such as bookbinding and watch repair. The tools are organized according to profession and will fascinate today's practitioners of these trades and hobbies. This comprehensive volume includes more than 4,500 images from catalog illustrations

and trade literature, as well as hand drawings. Descriptions provide dimensions and applications. A must have for the tool collector, dealer or researcher, plus any practitioner of the early trades. *546 pages. 8-1/2 x 11. Profusely illustrated in B&W. Hard cover. © 2002.*

Order Number: VAP132 .....\$39.95



### The Stanley Combination Plane

Invaluable for anyone who owns or uses a Stanley 45 or 55 combination plane. This special compilation covers the development of all major types of Stanley combination planes: the Miller, the Traut, as well as the Stanley 45 and 55. Not only are the planes and their evolution described and fully illustrated, but their patent information is included and, in the case of the 45 and 55, so are copies of the original instruction booklets. *80 pages. Fully illustrated. 5-1/2 x 8-1/2. Soft cover. © 1984.*

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### Hand Planes in the Modern Shop

Kerry Pierce

Plane users, craftsmen who would like to become plane users, and plane collectors all will find a wealth of how-to information, backed with more than 500 images in this definitive guide to hand planes. In addition to covering nearly ten types of planes, this book also divulges some shop secrets to making your own plane, restoring antique planes, and troubleshooting your planes. *192 pages. 8-1/2 x 11. Hard cover. © 2011.*

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## Wooden Plow Planes

### A Celebration of the Planemakers' Art

Don Rosebrook & Dennis Fisher

This book paints a visual panorama of almost 275 years of plane making. Approximately 200 beautifully photographed plow planes, along with full descriptions, illuminate the extraordinarily high level of craftsmanship involved in the planes' fabrication. Numerous one-of-a-kind examples are also highlighted and displayed. Super detail pictures show the characteristic features of specific makers. It features, among other things: • Galleries of nuts and shoulder moldings for identification purposes; • Special sections on the Greenfield Tool Company, the Ohio Tool Company and planemaking at the New York Auburn Prison; • A special section on a modern planemaker and his work; • Many interesting examples of craftsman-made planes; • And much more. For those interested in tool collecting and restoration. This visual tour through a slice of American history will provide both invaluable information and immense satisfaction. 322 pages. 8-1/2 x 11. Full color illustrations. Hard cover. © 2003.



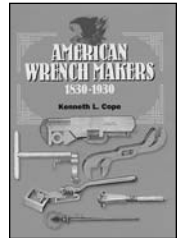
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*"Better than seeing fireworks on the Fourth of July! Page after page of beautiful plow planes show the artistry and innovation of early planemakers". -The Gristmill*

## American Wrench Makers 1830-1930, 2E

Kenneth L. Cope

Each listing shows the maker's location, history, period of operation and known products, with profuse illustrations taken primarily from catalogs of the period. There is a Wrench Identification section that cross-references patent dates and trade names (frequently the only marking on a wrench) to the actual maker. This volume provides an extremely comprehensive and valuable historical directory to this fascinating tool and its underlying technology. 352 pages. 7 x 10. Profusely illustrated. Soft cover. © 2002.



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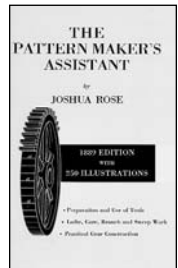
*"This book will be a big help to collectors in identifying the maker and the period in which the wrench was manufactured" - The Gristmill*

## The Pattern Maker's Assistant, 6E

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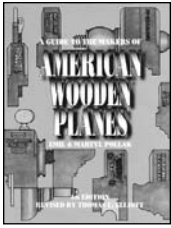
Joshua Rose, M.E.

This book is as useful today as it was over 100 years ago. It was written then to give machinists practical instruction on how to design and construct patterns; in doing so it describes the actual pattern shop practice of the late 19th century, using the terms and methods of that period. Joshua Rose explains the various types of patterns, how they are constructed, and the tools that are used. This is a reprint of the sixth edition, which gives some indication of the popularity of the book among late 19th century practitioners. 248 pages. 259 illustrations. 6 x 9. Soft cover. © 1995.



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## A Guide To The Makers of **American Wooden Planes, 4E**

Emil and Martyl Pollak

Rev. and Expanded by Thomas L. Elliott

With its initial publication in 1983, *A Guide to the Makers of American Wooden Planes* profoundly transformed the emphasis and direction of tool collecting. This fourth edition of an extraordinarily influential reference book, completely revised by Tom Elliott, reflects the tremendous amount of information on planemakers that has come to light since the third edition. Included are:

- over 4000 biographical entries
- over 5000

imprints • almost 2700 wedge outlines • almost 3000 individual ratings for judging relative scarcity and value. Also included are a section providing insights helpful in buying and selling planes, an illustrated glossary of plane terms and styles, and an extensive bibliography for further help in research. *480 pages. 8-1/2 x 11. Soft cover. © 2001.*

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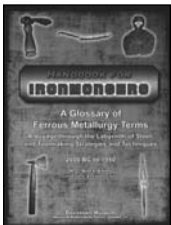


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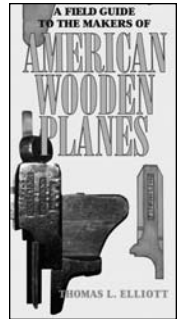
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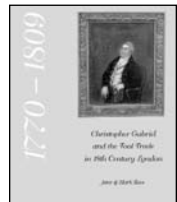


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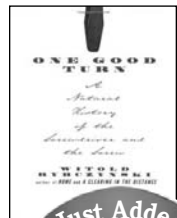
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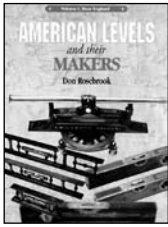
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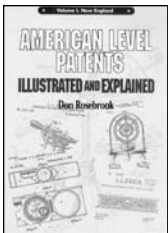
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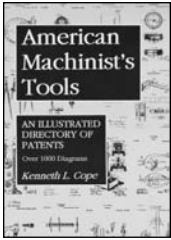
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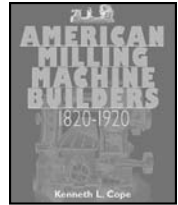
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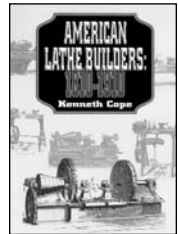


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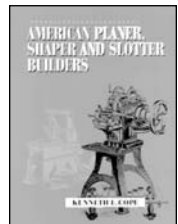
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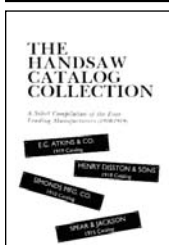
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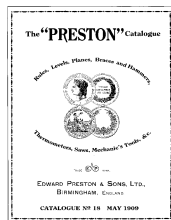
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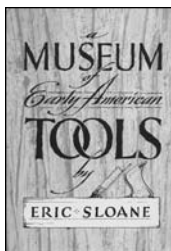
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Eric Sloane

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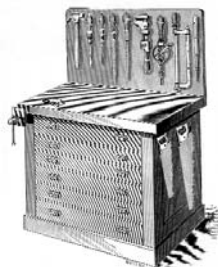
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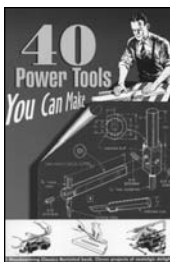
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Andy Rae

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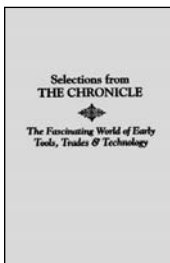
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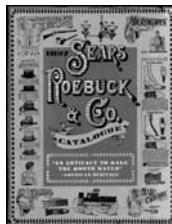


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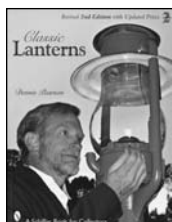
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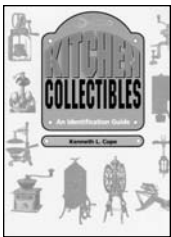
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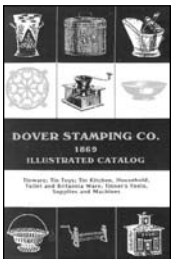
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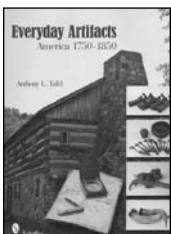
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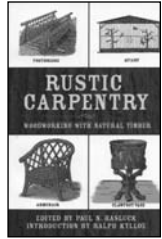
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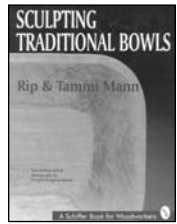
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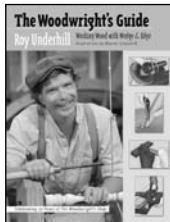
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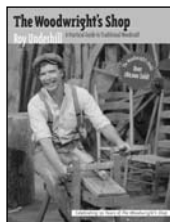
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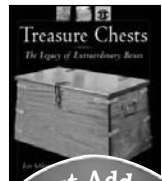


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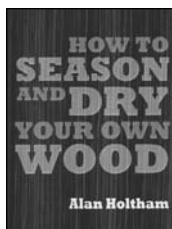
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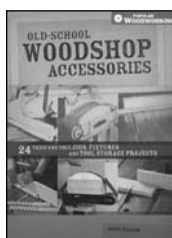


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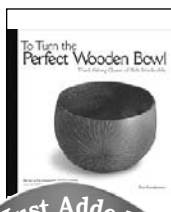
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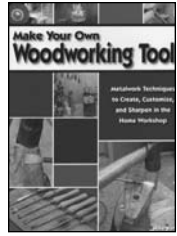
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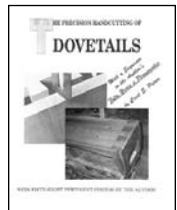


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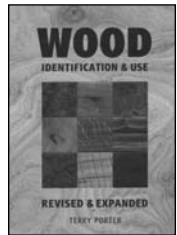


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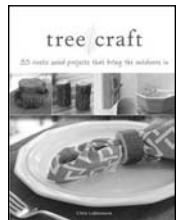


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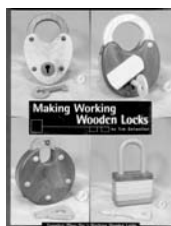
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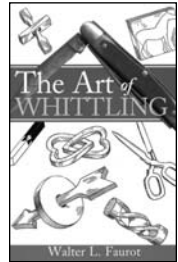
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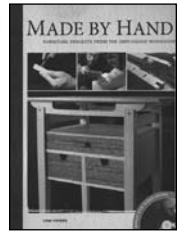
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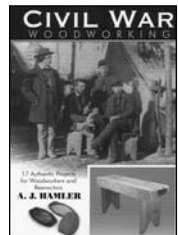


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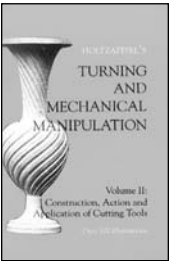
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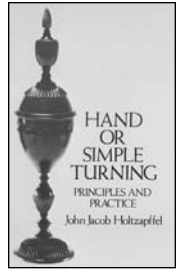
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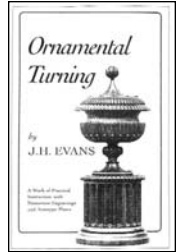
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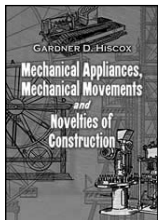
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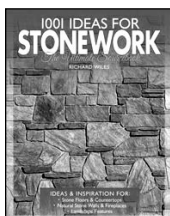
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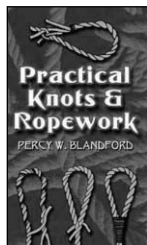


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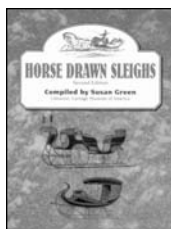
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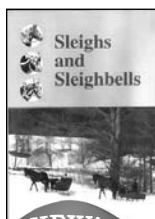
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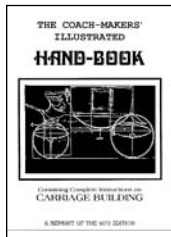


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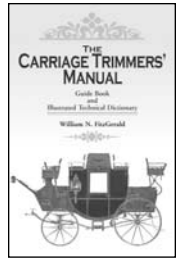
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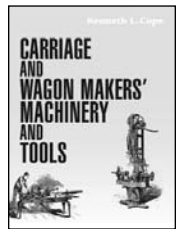
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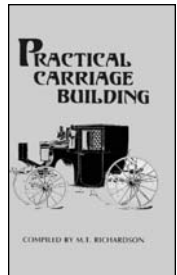
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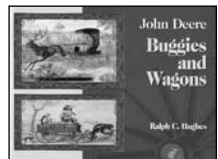


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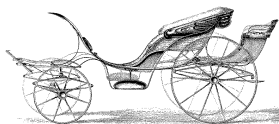


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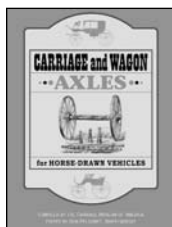


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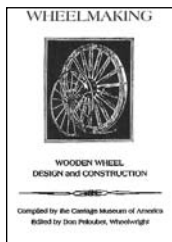
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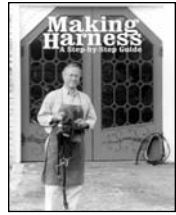
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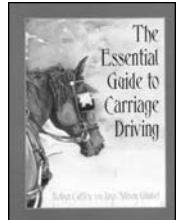


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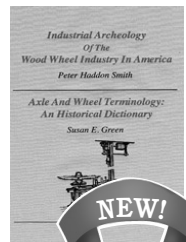
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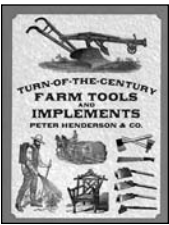
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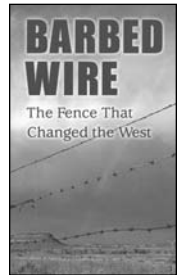
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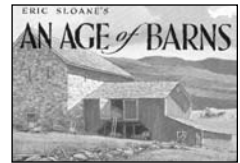
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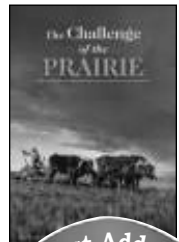
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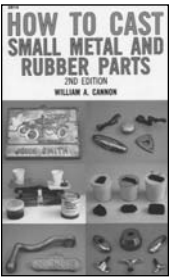
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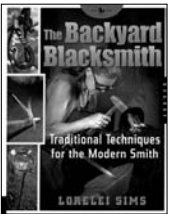
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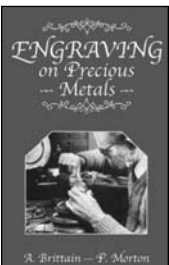


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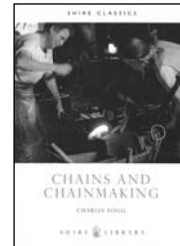


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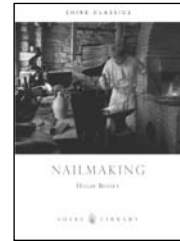


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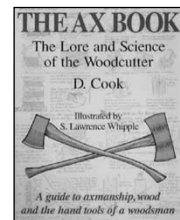
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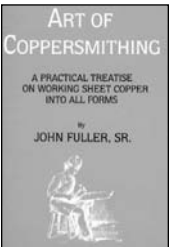
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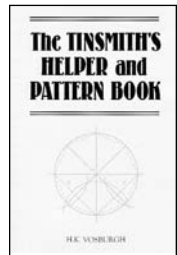
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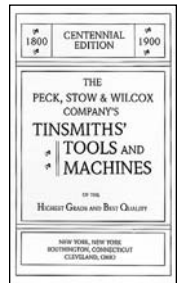


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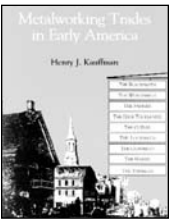
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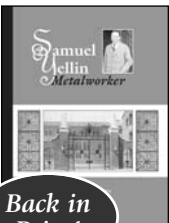


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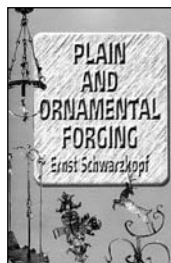
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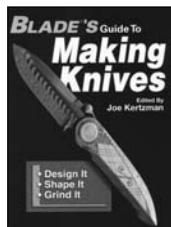


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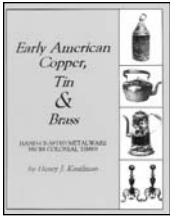
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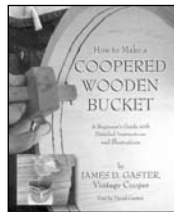
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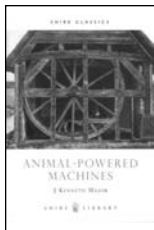


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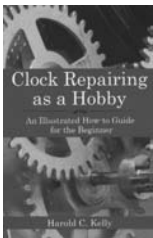
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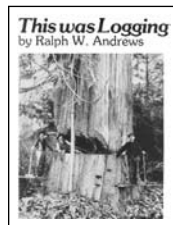


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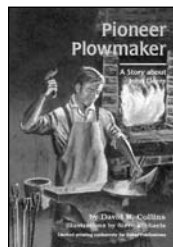
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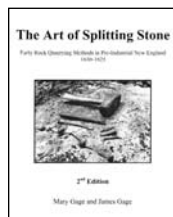
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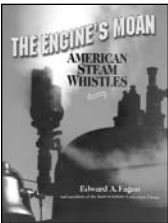
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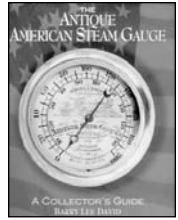
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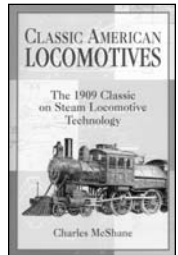
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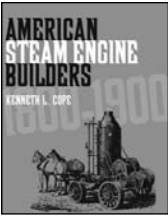
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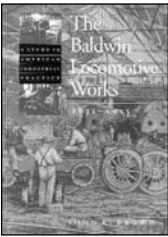
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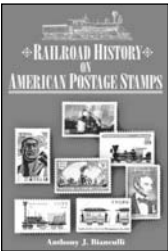
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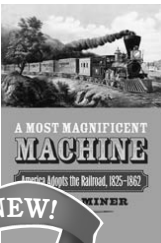
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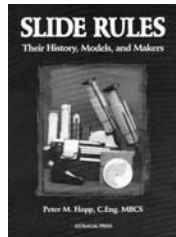
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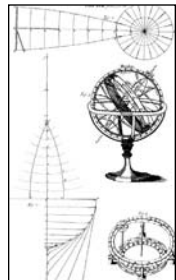
The slide rule, with its many variations has been vital to mathematics and engineering since its invention in the 17th century. Interest in this field has grown dramatically, unfortunately, there has been little information available except for manufacturers' manuals and catalogs, making this reprint of Cajori's classic particularly valuable. Also included with this reprint of the 1910 edition is Cajori's extensive article "On the History of Gunter's Scale and the Slide Rule during the 17th Century," which sets forth his subsequent findings. There is also a helpful explanatory introduction by Dr. Robert K. Otnes, editor of the *Journal of the Oughtred Society*. 178 pages. Illustrated. 6 x 9. Soft cover. © 1994.



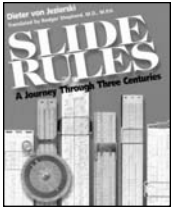
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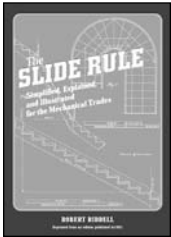


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**A Journey Through Three Centuries**  
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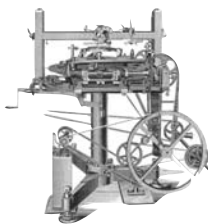
This book, first published in 1881, was written about the use of the first standard slide rule made in the United States: a Mannheim-type slide rule made by the Stephens Co., a major rule manufacturer. Included in Riddell's book, aimed primarily at carpenters and joiners, is a wealth of fascinating instruction on the use of the slide rule in everything from making the calculations necessary for constructing circular porches and spiral stair-

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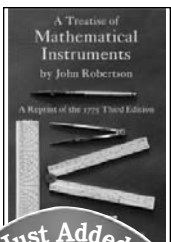
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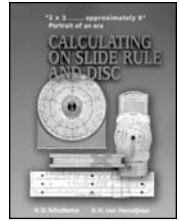
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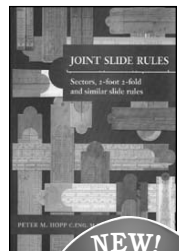
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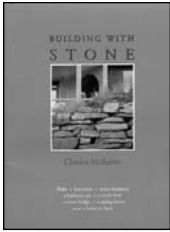
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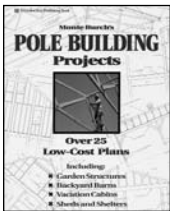




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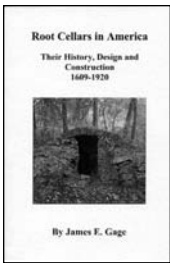
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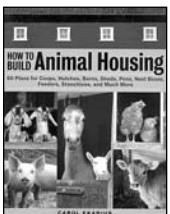


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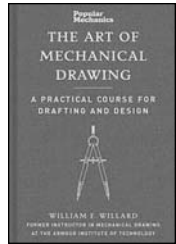
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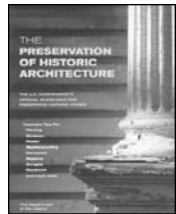
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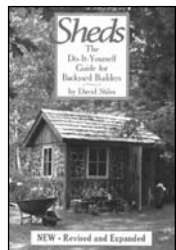
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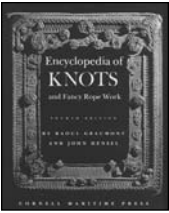
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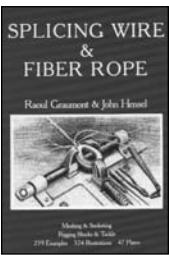
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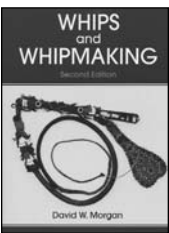
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