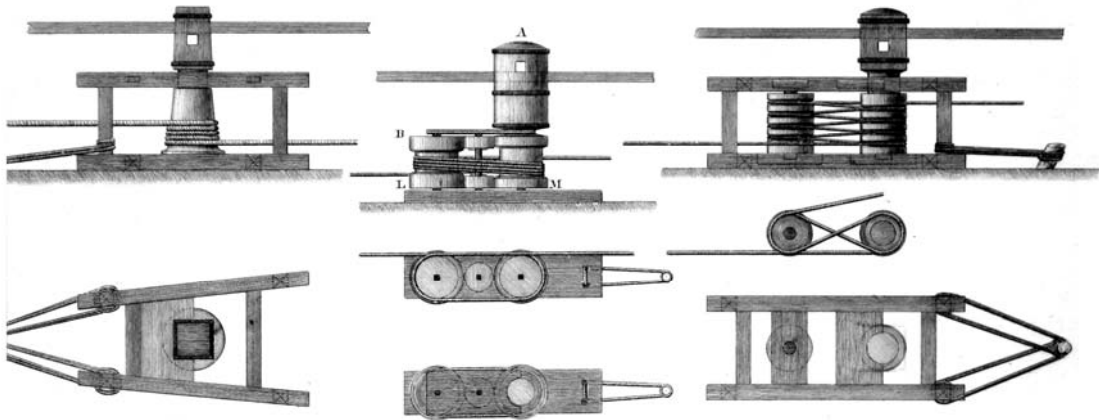


RARE FRENCH BOOKS ON ARCHITECTURE AND BUILDING
from the collections of the Osbert Lancaster Memorial Bibliographic Institute
with expository talks by Miles Lewis



This collection ranges from historical works on architecture, like Henri Revoil's superbly engraved *Architecture Romane du Midi de la France*, to rare ephemera on pioneering systems of reinforced concrete published in the 1890s. It touches upon a number of aspects upon which Lewis will expand in his talks, including:

- The traditional hollow pot construction of Roussillon and Languedoc as revived in the Comte d'Espie's *Manière [sic] de Rendre Toutes Sortes d'Édifices Incombustibles*.
- Viollet-le-Duc's *Dictionnaire Rationné de l'Architecture Française du XIe au XVIe Siècle*, which was enormously influential in Australia, in buildings varying from the old E S & A ('Gothic') Bank in Collins Street to the homesteads of Davison & Henderson in the Western District.
- Eighteenth century publications on pisé de terre, such as François Cointeraux's *École d'Architecture Rurale*, and texts derived from them which were used in nineteenth century Australia.
- Anatole de Baudot's, *L'Architecture et le Ciment Armé*, which influenced W B Griffin in his dome for the dining hall at Newman College.
- Early versions of the Marseilles pattern roof tile, which was to become the standard in Australia, though barely known in Britain or the USA.
- Ephemera such as Desfeux, *Carton-Cuir pour Toitures et au Carton Bitumés*, and Pelouze, *Art de Fabriquer en Pierre Factice Très-Dure*.
- Rare books on agricultural buildings, such as the Vicomte de Morel-Vindé's *Essai sur les Constructions Rurales Economiques*.

The display will be open from 12.00 to 5.00 pm (or by arrangement) from Tuesday 15 to Wednesday 23 (weekdays only) June in the Wunderlich Gallery, ground floor, Architecture Building, Melbourne University, Parkville.

It will be open with evening talks for a maximum 15 people, from 5.30 to 6.30:

Tuesday 15 June, reserved for the Friends of the Baillieu Library

Wednesday 16 June, open to all:

More sessions will be scheduled if there is a demand.

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