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## PREFACE TO THIRD EDITION.

TWO Editions of "Turning Lathes" having quickly been sold, we have no apology to make for introducing this, the Third Edition, which will be of four thousand volumes. The Press, both English and American, with one exception, are unanimous in praise of the book, and we give short Extracts from some of the reviews of the mechanical journals.

The book has been appreciated by numerous learners and users of Lathes, and many letters of approval have been received. It will be found in the principal libraries in England, Canada, and Australia.

Having been successful in our book on Elementary Turning, we are encouraged to bring out others to suit the practical engineer, the first of which—on Screws and Screw-Cutting—will shortly appear.

Our opinion as to the best books on various technical subjects having so frequently been requested, we have (to save much time and correspondence) compiled a Catalogue of Technical Books, giving their price, size, contents, &c., which we trust may be useful to the English-speaking world.

It is also our intention to publish a more elaborate book on Lathe-Work, treating upon the higher branches of the art of Turning; but probably this will not appear until 1890 or 1891. Our intention is to supply the best information at moderate prices.



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## ON BRITANNIA COMPANY'S BOOK ON "TURNING LATHES."

- "Amateurs and technical students will find this book of great advantage to them, as the aim of the author, whoever he may be, has been to explain very thoroughly the processes of the art of turning."—

  American Machinist.
- "This is a work of 158 pages, very fully illustrated, and with clear, descriptive matter on branches of lathe-work which are usually followed by amateurs. For these last it is valuable, as it contains succinct directions how to do certain work, how to avoid the many difficulties and the causes of failure in using certain kinds of tools; both wood and metal working are covered."—American Engineer.
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