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Guide to Edmund Thorn, A General History of Printing Wherein is Shewn the Origin of that Noble Art after 1728



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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract	Manuscript on the history of printing, in two parts. Part I: Essay on the history of printing, with reference to John Guttenberg, Peter Schoeffer, William Caxton, and other printers. Part II: Holograph list, "Prices of Work together with Methods for casting off Copy in the Printing Trade. Chiefly extracted from the noted Mr. Lowry who began to collect in the year 1671. Whose Manuscript Papers are now in the Hands of the Transcriber. To which is added An Account of the Prices of Work Since the Year 1728."

Information on Use

Access

The manuscript is open for research.

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Biographical Note

Edmund Thorn was a bookseller in Oxford, 1652-1663. Joseph Bentham was printer to the University of Cambridge. "WB" may have been William Boyer (1699-1737).

Scope Note

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with Methods for casting off Copy in the Printing Trade. Chiefly extracted from the noted Mr. Lowry who began to collect in the year 1671. Whose Manuscript Papers are now in the Hands of the Transcriber. To which is added An Account of the Prices of Work Since the Year 1728."

Related Resources

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

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Subject Headings

- Gutenberg, Johann, 1397?-1468
- Schöffer, Peter, ca. 1475-1547
- Caxton, William, ca. 1422-1491 or 2
- Printing -- History
- Printing industry

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