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The method of building, rigging, apparelling, & furnishing his Majesties ships of warr, according to their rates

ca. 1685

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Summary

Creator: Battin, Edward

Title: The method of building, rigging, apparelling, & furnishing his Majesties ships of warr, according to their rates

Date: ca. 1685

Size: .21 linear feet (1 volume)

Abstract: Edward Battin, an employee of the British Navy, created this volume ca. 1685, dedicating it to an Earl, a Lord, a Lieutenant, a Governor, a Constable, and other prominent British individuals. The volume contains detailed instructions for the construction of ships of war, as well as information about cost and management issues related to the maintenance of a naval fleet, officers, and crew. The volume contains sections on the proportions of ships, their loaded weight, dimensions, ropes and rigging, and other physical aspects; a list of British naval ships which includes when, where, and by whom they were constructed, their dimensions and cost; the expenses related to furnishing ordnance; wages paid to officers and seamen, and the amount of food and drink (bread, beer, beef, pork, peas, fish, butter, and cheese) allocated to them according to class; the cost of maintaining ships both at sea and in harbor; and many other details

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Key Terms

Geographic Names

Great Britain -- History, Naval -- 17th century

Subjects

Marine engineering -- Great Britain -- History -- 17th century

Military engineering -- Early works to 1800

Sailors -- England -- Early works to 1800

Shipbuilding

Ships -- Manning -- Early works to 1800

Warships -- Great Britain -- Early works to 1800

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Technical manuals

Names

Battin, Edward

Willoughby de Broke, John Peyto Verney, Baron, 1738-1816

Willoughby de Broke, Richard Greville Verney, Baron, 1869-1923

Willoughby de Broke, Robert John Verney, Baron

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