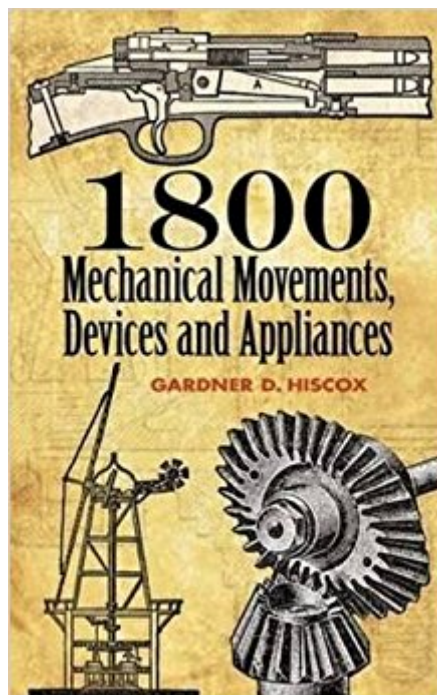




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no historical interest with historical or dates or inventors and not enough explanations from the technical point of view. I'm total disappointed on this book.

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