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RÉPERTOIRE GÉNÉRAL OU DICTIONNAIRE MÉTHODIQUE DE BIBLIOGRAPHIE DES INDUSTRIES TINCTORIALES ET DES INDUSTRIES ANNEXES DEPUIS LES ORIGINES JUSQU' A LA FIN DE L'ANNEE, 1896. Technologie et Chimie. Par Jules Garçon. Tome I. Paris: Gauthier-Villars. 1900. 74 pp. Premier Fascicule.

This dictionary of the bibliography of the dyeing industries and allied subjects, is one of the most important pieces of bibliographical work that has ever been attempted for the use and convenience of chemists and technologists. It originated with the chemical section of the Société Industrielle de Mulhouse in 1892, and, after a labor of five years, the finished work was submitted to the society in 1897, when, after careful examination at the hands of a commission of experts, it was awarded the Daniel Dollfus grand prize of 5,000 francs and a medal of honor. The magnitude of this piece of bibliography will be understood when we state that the author makes reference to some 2,000 distinct works and to 110 periodicals, which latter make up about 5,000 volumes more. The first part of Vol. I, at present under notice, is devoted to the introduction, outlining the scope of the work and giving a list of the bibliographic sources availed of, both official publications and records and general and special bibliographical publications and catalogues; an alphabetical list of subject-headings under which the material is arranged; and a list of the periodicals from which the references are taken. The second part of Vol. I will be devoted to the indices of authors cited and subjects treated, while Vols. II and III will be the reference dictionary proper arranged under the various subject-headings. The scheme seems, on examination, to be a very complete one and the part of the work now in hand promises well for the way in which it will be executed.

The first part of Volume I has been issued, as just noticed, and the second part of the volume is stated to be now in press; Volume II is ready for distribution and Volume III is promised by the end of 1900.

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