



Pornic Letters 1884 - Manuscript By Paul Eudel



110 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Paper

Length : 21 cm (cahier fermé)

Width : 16 cm (cahier fermé)

Description

Amazing documents of memories of Pornic (Morbihan, Brittany) : a draft on two loose sheets and a notebook of rewriting in fair copy.

Lettrea pornicaisea

De l'Ermite de Gourmalon

Phare de la Loire of 27-28-29 August 1884.

Manuscript attributed to Paul Eudel (1837-1911), alias "L'Ermite de Gourmalon", shipowner and French art columnist for the regional daily Le Phare de la Loire, founded in 1884. (1)

The draft, probably written during the "field" days, is written on two loose sheets, in tiny characters (see the photo of the detail, my thumb gives the graphological scale).

The writer's patience got the better of him, because the rewriting in fair copy stopped three

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quarters of the way through the large draft sheet,
at the word "enêtement" circled in pencil
(rewriting on only 4 sheets of the 11-sheet
notebook).

Dimensions of the closed notebook : 16 x 21 cm.

Strong stitching.

Largest unfolded draft sheet : 20 x 31 cm

Context and history

The "Petit Gringalet" is a small one-story chalet
that Paul Eudel, who signed the Hermit of
Gourmalon at the bottom of his columns in the
newspaper "Le Phare de la Loire", called this
place the "Brimborion", a term used by Molière
in the *Précieuses ridicules*, to designate an object
of little value. And when we pass in front of it,
we think that it is a garage with a service
dwelling on the first floor. (2)

Today, the Petit Gringalet is an outbuilding of
Roche-Gann and on the façade, upstairs with on
each side of the window, you can see two
cartouches indicating its name as they indicated it
in 1884.

(1) Le Phare de la Loire is a regional daily
newspaper founded in Nantes in 1844 by
Charles-Victor Mangin. The newspaper
disappeared for the first time in 1851, due to its
opposition to Louis-Napoléon Bonaparte. In 1876
the newspaper was taken over by the republican
Georges Schwob who made it the main daily
newspaper in the Nantes region. From the
Dreyfus affair onwards, the newspaper's editorial
line turned to nationalism. The Loire Lighthouse
disappeared at the Liberation in 1944.

(2) Bibliographic sources: The Loire Lighthouse
edition of August 29, 1884,
gertrude.paysdelaloire.fr, ADLA, and
patrimoine-balneaire-pornic