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Large Architect And Mathematics Kit Signed Kern A Arrau Switzerland C.1800

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Signature : I.KERN

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Brass

Length : 30 cm

Width : 17 cm

Height : 4 cm

Description

"Large architect's / drawing set in green leather slipcase signed on the top cover I.Kern in Anna, Switzerland circa 1800. Very complete. Just a few cracks on the green leather." Information about I. Kern, instrument maker in Switzerland I. Kern is a manufacturer of precision instruments, particularly known for its compasses and drafting instruments. The company was founded by Jacob Kern in the early 19th century and was a pillar of the industry in Aarau, Switzerland. Here are some key facts about I. Kern: History and Tradition: Jacob Kern was one of the pioneers of Swiss industry, known for his practical mind that led to the development of the outlines of the first two-legged instruments in the early 19th century. Products: Kern's instruments were renowned for their quality and precision. Kern compasses, for

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example, were widely used and appreciated in Switzerland and beyond.

Closure and Revival: The original company closed in the late 1980s. However, a family-owned company, Scompas Kern AG, attempted to revive this tradition by restarting compass production under the name Smiling Scompas.

Cultural Impact: For many Swiss, the name Kern evokes early steps in geometry, showing the cultural and educational impact of these instruments¹.

Innovation and Quality: Kern instruments were known for their innovation and quality, which helped the company establish itself as a leading player in the precision instrument industry.