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History Of The Royal Abbey Of Saint-germain-des-prés, 1724, First Edition

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Dom Jacques Bouillart - History of the Royal Abbey of Saint-Germain-des-Prés Paris, Grégoire Dupuis, 1724. A rare and important history of the famous Benedictine Abbey of Saint-Germain-des-Prés, written by Dom Jacques Bouillart, a monk of the Congregation of Saint-Maur, an order renowned for the rigor of its historical scholarship. The work traces the history of the abbey from its Merovingian foundation under Childebert I through the early 18th century. It describes the abbots who governed it, the privileges granted by sovereigns, the royal and princely donations, as well as the monuments, tombs, and treasures preserved in the abbey. The illustrations are one of the major attractions of this edition. It includes several finely executed copperplate engravings, presented as separate

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