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This in-depth and practical book dating from 1881 provides descriptive text and illustrations of numerous carriage interiors, from the everyday model to those suited for royalty, and describes the complexity of materials (leathers, silks, laces) and range of skills (upholstering, tufting, stitching and binding, cutting enameled leathers, making leather sockets, welting, fabric selection, etc.) required for this branch of the carriage trade. Included are recipes for cleaning, oiling and blacking leather, polishing metals and restoring ivory, among others. For conservators, restorers and dealers in antique furniture (especially upholstered 19th century furniture), this is an indispensable guideline and instructive manual for the upholstery trade in general. Also provides descriptions and illustrations of trimmers' tools such as stuffing sticks, round knives and shears.
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