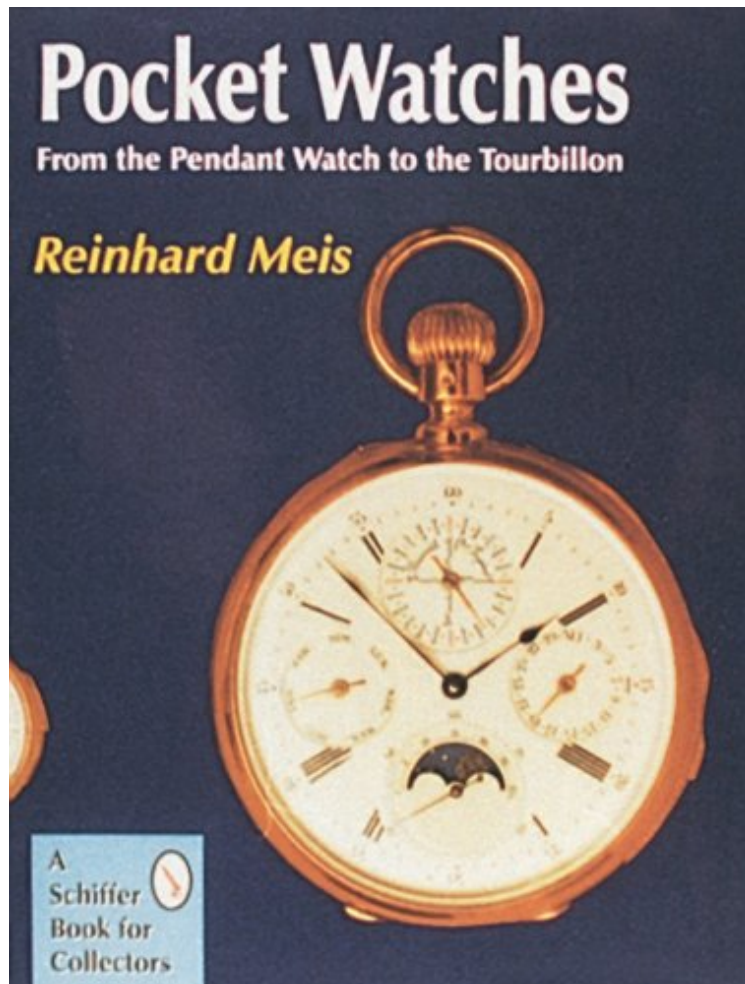


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Language NotesText: English, German (translation)About the AuthorThe author, Reinhard Meis, has combined his love of the pocket watch instrument with exhaustive research and a lucid text in order to share his findings with his readers. Watch enthusiasts worldwide will applaud his effort.