



**First Clock**

You can see examples of the side-products of the Judeo-Christian monastics as they started the Industrial Revolution. There are models of mechanical clocks, water mills, windmills, and documents showing the use of iron bars and iron chains in concrete for architecture, water-powered trip-hammers, and the first real blast furnace. Thus, the marvellous and monstrous apparatus of Western Technology has its roots in the dark Middle Ages.

This monastic life produced our jury system, common law, parliaments, universities, the clock that ticks off our hours, the language we speak, even the shape of the letters we read and write in the Western World. Bible translations triggered the beginnings of national languages and gave momentum to the new art of printing (e.g. Bible translations by Wycliffe, Tyndale, and Luther.)

The first book printed by Gutenberg in 1450 on his revolutionary printing press was the Bible.



**First Printed Bible, Gutenberg**