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2. Enter the search term into search field – as well as pattern names and makers you can search for any term you are interested in, place name, printing process, author, etc.

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