





Cover illustration:

Training up a Child by George Washington Brownlow (1835-1876), one of the illustrations from *Scottish Vernacular Furniture* by Bernard Cotton (see review on p13). The picture shows the interior of a white house, probably in the highlands. The family sits round a table with a folding leaf. A plate rack hangs on the wall to the right: it has two upper shelves for plates, which lean forward onto fixed rails, a lower shallow shelf on which bowls are stored, and a recess below holding a small serving plate or ashet; a spoon box is built into the lower left side. Below the rack is a vertical spinning wheel, with a distaff holding flax fibres. Courtesy of Gorringer's Auction Galleries, Lewes, Sussex.