



## Colleen 200 Years of Building and Civil Engineering in Ireland: A History of the Colleen Family Business, 1810-2010 (Hardback)

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