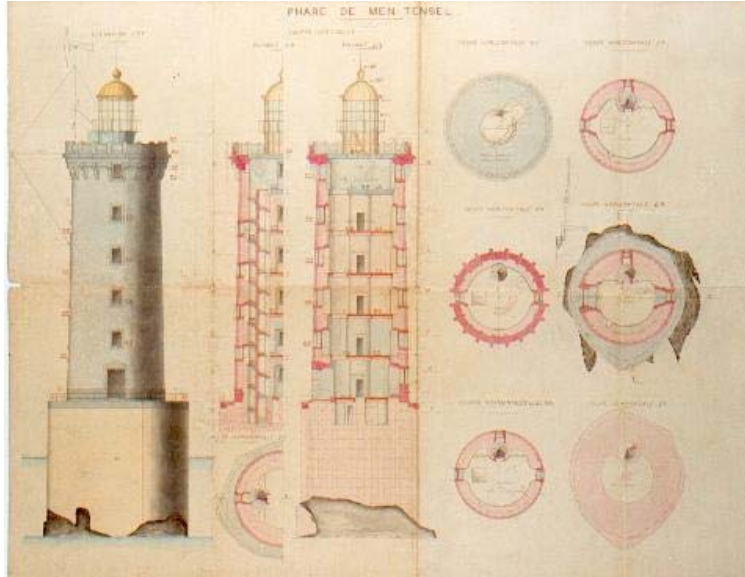


Description of the Building



The tower of Kéréon is one of the most luxuriously arranged. The staircase turns in a cage to the walls decorated with mosaic. The hall, the kitchen, two rooms of the keepers richly panelled in oak constitute the first four levels but it is the room of honor, located at the 5th level, which holds your attention: wall lining in skirting of Hungarian oak whose several panels are decorated with star of the lighthouses in relief. The parquet floor, built on bitumen, is decorated in its center with a large roseate of the winds carried out out of ebony and mahogany. Kéréon is thus the last "lighthouse monument" set up at sea...



The Bedroom



The room of honor

In the hall sits a commemorative plaque mounted on porphyry (rock with traces of minerals) with nuances of green, surmounted by garlands of sheets of gilded bronze oak where one can read in particular: "Lighthouse built under the terms of a gift..... (February 9, 1794)"¹.

Translation from French by Rick Chinn, 2004 April, with considerable help from the translation services of Google.com.

¹ Perhaps you're wondering why the date on the plaque reads 1794, yet the lighthouse wasn't finished until 1918. It is because the gift came from the grand-niece of Charles Marie Dall de Kéréon, a naval officer who was condemned to die in 1794. Convinced of his innocence, his niece made the gift in his honor, with the stipulation that the light bear the name, « Phare de Kéréon. » Could this have set the precedent for purchasing the naming rights for sports stadia etc ? rc, april 2004.

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