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fl. early 1400s

German author of the *Bellifortis* (1405), also called the *Kyeser Codex,* in which he compiled everything that he knew about contemporary technology, primarily warfare. Interestingly, the work also contains one of the earliest known references to a "chastity belt," an iron device that Italian men are reported to have imposed upon women to assure their sexual abstinence while the men were away, usually at war.