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(1550-1730) James R. Farr, 1995-01-05 A sociocultural analysis of the relationships among law religion and sexual morality in Burgundy during the Catholic Reformation this book is divided into two interrelated parts the world of prescription and the world of practice The first part examines the construction of authority focusing primarily upon Burgundy's dominant elite legal community The second part of the book examines the deployment of authority and its appropriation by French men and women The new moral order focused on sexuality and the imposition of this order involved a legal contest over the disposition of bodies both male and female be they priests courting couples victims of seduction or rape or prostitutes James Farr's book offers an unusually fertile approach to study the link between sexuality and criminality [Sexuality in the Middle Ages and Early Modern Times](#) Albrecht Classen, 2008-12-10 Sexuality is one of the most influential factors in human life The responses to and reflections upon the manifestations of sexuality provide fascinating insights into fundamental aspects of medieval and early modern culture This interdisciplinary volume with articles written by social historians literary historians musicologists art historians and historians of religion and mental ity demonstrates how fruitful collaborative efforts can be in the exploration of essential features of human society Practically every aspect of culture both in the Middle Ages and the early modern age was influenced and determined by sexuality which hardly ever surfaces simply characterized by prurient interests The treatment of sexuality in literature chronicles music art legal documents and in scientific texts illuminates central concerns anxieties tensions needs fears and problems in human society throughout times [The Sexual Culture of the French Renaissance](#) Katherine Crawford, 2010-04-22 An examination of how Renaissance textual practices and new forms of knowledge transformed notions of sex and sexuality in France **Sex and Society in the World of the**

Orthodox Slavs 900-1700 Eve Levin, 2018-09-05 In this pioneering book Eve Levin explores sexual behavior among the peoples of Serbia Bulgaria and Russia from their conversion to Christianity in the ninth and tenth centuries until the end of the seventeenth century By ranging across all these societies Levin is able to fulfill three basic aims to delineate the general character of sexuality among the Orthodox Slavs to enrich that account by drawing our attention to regional variations in the

sexual mores of these peoples and to draw suggestive comparisons between the world of the medieval Orthodox Slavs and their contemporaries in the Latin West Levin begins with a study of the ecclesiastical image of sexuality as expressed in didactic and literary texts showing that the Orthodox Church was deeply suspicious of sexuality Her second chapter on canon law and marriage examines the conditions for marriage divorce and remarriage the obligation of the conjugal relationship and the impact of these rules on social order Levin looks at church regulations concerning sexual relations among relatives by blood marriage spiritual kinship and adoption in Chapter Three and she devotes Chapter Four to prohibited sexual practices both inside and outside of marriage In the fifth chapter she studies Russian and South Slavic responses to rape and demonstrates that these societies simultaneously censured violence against women and sanctioned the attitudes and social structures that justified it Chapter Six deals with the rules on sexual conduct for the clergy whose job it was to enforce sexual precepts Throughout her work Levin argues that despite its conviction that sexual expression was diabolical the medieval Orthodox Church approached sexual matters in a surprisingly practical way its official sexual ethic corresponded to a great degree with popular views Historians of the Slavic world both medieval and modern will welcome this accessible study It should also attract comparativists who work in such fields as church history the history of women and the family and the history of sexuality

Performing Virginity and Testing Chastity in the Middle Ages Kathleen Coyne Kelly, 2002-11

This study presents a compelling and provocative study of virginity which challenges the belief that female virginity can be reliably and unambiguously defined tested and verified

Handbook on Sexual Violence Jennifer Brown, Sandra Walklate, 2011-10-19

This book contextualizes the complexity of sexual violence within its broader context from war to the resolution of interpersonal disputes and covers a wide span including sexual harassment bullying rape and murder as well as domestic violence Written by leading academics from a variety of disciplines contributions also include commentaries that relate the research to the work of practitioners Despite advances made in the investigation of sexual offences evidence still points to a continued belief in the culpability of victims in their own victimization and a gap between the estimated incidence of sexual violence and the conviction of perpetrators Adopting an implicitly and explicitly critical stance to contemporary policy responses that continue to fail in addressing this problem this book focuses on attitudes and behaviour towards sexual violence from the point of view of the individual experiencing the violence perpetrator and victim and situates them within a broader societal frame It is through an understanding of social processes and psychological mechanisms that underpin sexual violence that violence can be combated and harm reduced and at this individual level that evidence based interventions can be designed to change policy and practice The Handbook is split into four sections Legacies Setting the Scene offers a critical overview of historical legal and cultural processes which help to explain the origins of current thinking and offer steers for future developments Theories and Concepts examines contemporary thinking on sexual violence and reviews explanatory frameworks from a number of perspectives Acts of Sexual Violence reviews a number of specific types of sexual

violence elaborating the range of circumstances victims and perpetrators with a view to addressing the general and pervasive nature of such violence thus contradicting narrow cultural stereotyping Responding to Sexual Violence overviews and evaluates current policies and practices and offers new ideas to develop different types of interventions The editors conclusion not only draws out the key themes and ideas from contributions to the Handbook but also considers the nature of and the extent to which any progress has been made in understanding and responding to sexual violence This will be a key text for students and academics studying sexual violence and an essential reference tool for professionals working in the field including police officers probation staff lawyers and judges

Sexuality, Law and Legal Practice and the Reformation in Norway Anne Riisøy, 2009-02-23 Based on legislation and legal practice from the period c 1250 1600 the book takes issue with the most important viewpoints in earlier research by early modernists that the Reformation represented a watershed in a development characterized by greater criminalisation of sexual acts increase in the severity of sentences and deterioration of the position of women According to this study in principle all or mostly all factors were already in place in the Middle Ages In Norwegian historiography the period investigated is characterized by paucity of sources and the period has tended to fall between two stools respectively the medievalist and the early modernist The ambition of this book has been to bridge the gap

Sex, Priests, and Secret Codes Thomas P. Doyle, A. W. Richard Sipe, Patrick J. Wall, 2006 Sexual abuse of minors and vulnerable adults by Catholic clergy is not a new phenomenon Sex Priests and Secret Codes reveals in shocking detail a deep seated problem that spans the Church's history

A Cultural History of Sexuality in the Middle Ages Ruth

Evans, 2012-03-01 Historians of sexuality have often assumed that medieval people were less interested in sex than we are But people in the Middle Ages wrote a great deal about sex in confessors manuals in virginity treatises and in literary texts This volume looks afresh at the cultural meanings that sex had throughout the period presenting new evidence and offering new interpretations of known material Acknowledging that many of the categories that we use today to talk about sexuality are inadequate for understanding sex in premodern times the volume draws on important recent work in the historiography of medieval sexuality to address the conceptual and methodological challenges the period presents A Cultural History of Sexuality in the Middle Ages presents an overview of the period with essays on heterosexuality homosexuality sexual variations religious and legal issues health concerns popular beliefs about sexuality prostitution and erotica

The Mystery of Marriage: A Theology of the Body and the Sacrament Perry J. Cahall, 2014-12-01 This remarkable study offers a comprehensive explanation of the Catholic Church's teaching on the sacrament of marriage Incorporating the rich insights found in St John Paul II's Theology of the Body Dr Cahall presents a theology of marriage that incorporates the biblical systematic pastoral and historical traditions which have shaped our understanding of this sacrament

Sex Crimes, Honour, and the Law in Early Modern Spain Renato Barahona, Archivo de la Real Chancillería de Valladolid. Sala de Vizcaya, 2003-01-01 Based on approx 350 lawsuits from the Sala de Vizcaya at the Archivo de la Real Chancillería de

Valladolid between 1500 and 1750 **Religion** Meredith B. McGuire, 2008-04-10 In this insightful examination of religions in their local and global context the author shows how analyzing religions social context helps us understand individuals lives social movements national and ethnic politics and widespread social changes Well researched and theory based the text is filled with intriguing anecdotes empirical data thought provoking discussions of both mainstream and nonofficial religions and historical and contemporary examples that illustrate the interplay between religion and society across cultures This volume takes an integrated approach to examining religion and includes cross cultural historical and methodological viewpoints Readers will learn to identify the complex interactions between religion and societal contexts as well as the ways in which these interactions shape individuals communities national politics and the world **Becoming Male in the Middle Ages** Jeffrey Jerome Cohen, Bonnie Wheeler, 2015-11-17 First published in 1997 Most work in gender studies has focused on women This volume brings together various forms of gender theory especially feminist and queer theory to explore how men made cultures and culture made men in the Middle Ages **Edward II** Kathryn Warner, 2024-05-16 Edward II is one of the most unsuccessful and unconventional kings in English history and is well known for having passionate and probably intimate relationships with men In modern times he has often been considered an LGBT icon of sorts Edward II His Sexuality and Relationships looks at the men in the king s life and examines the relations he had with them in the context of medieval notions of sexuality and the famous albeit almost certainly mythical idea that he was murdered with a red hot poker as punishment for having sex with men It also investigates Edward s associations with women Though often thought of as a gay man it is more likely that Edward was bisexual he fathered an illegitimate son in his early twenties at the age of forty had an intimate encounter with a woman in London which is recorded in his household account and might even have had an incestuous relationship with his own niece Edward s marriage to the king of France s daughter Isabella arranged when they were children has often been depicted as a tragic disaster from start to finish Edward II His Sexuality and Relationships takes a detailed look at the royal marriage and at all the evidence that it was in fact a happy and mutually supportive partnership for many years and at Isabella s important though over romanticized association with the baron Roger Mortimer Because Edward is often assumed to have been solely attracted to men numerous modern authors have depicted him as a grotesque caricature of a camp weak foppish gay man Edward II His Sexuality and Relationships reveals him as he truly was as a chronicler puts it one of the strongest men in his realm Sexual Nature/Sexual Culture Paul R. Abramson, Steven D. Pinkerton, 1995-07 In this multidisciplinary study of human sexuality an international team of scholars looks at the influences of nature and nurture biology and culture and sex and gender in the sexual experiences of humans and other primates Using as its center the idea that sexual pleasure is the primary motivational force behind human sexuality and that reproduction is simply a byproduct of the pleurability of sex this book examines sexuality at the individual societal and cultural levels Beginning with a look at the evolution of sexuality in humans and other primates the essays in the first

section examine the sexual ingenuity of primates the dominant theories of sexual behavior the differences in male and female sexual interest and behavior and the role of physical attractiveness in mate selection The focus then shifts to biological approaches to sexuality especially the genetic and hormonal origins of sexual orientation gender and pleasure The essays go on to look at the role of pleasure in different cultures Included are essays on love among the tribespeople of the Brazilian rain forest and the regulation of adolescent sexuality in India Finally several contributors look at the methodological issues in the study of human sexuality paying particular attention to the problems with research that relies on people's memories of their sexual experiences The contributors are Angela Pattatucci Dean Hamer David Greenberg Frans de Waal Mary McDonald Pavelka Kim Wallen Donald Symons Heino Meyer Bahlburg Jean D Wilson Donald Tuzin Lawrence Cohen Thomas Gregor Lenore Manderson Robert C Bailey Alice Schlegel Edward H Kaplan Richard Berk Paul R Abramson Paul Okami and Stephen D Pinkerton Spanning the chasm of the nature versus nurture debate *Sexual Nature Sexual Culture* is a look at human sexuality as a complex interaction of genetic potentials and cultural influences This book will be of interest to a wide range of readers from scholars and students in psychology anthropology sociology and history to clinicians researchers and others seeking to understand the many dimensions of sexuality If we ever expect to solve the sexually based problems that modern societies face we must encourage investigations of human sexual behavior Moreover those investigations should employ a broad range of disciplines looking at sex from all angles which is precisely what *Sexual Nature Sexual Culture* does Mike May American Scientist This timely and relevant book reminds us that we cannot rely on simple solutions to complex problems It represents a transdisciplinary approach integrating knowledge from diverse fields and provides the reader with a challenging and rewarding experience Especially for those who are involved in teaching human sexuality to medical students and other health care professionals this book is highly recommended Gerald Wiviott M D Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease In short this volume contains much to stimulate inform and amuse in varying proportions What more can one ask Pierre L van den Berghe Journal of the History of Sexuality the book succeeds in bring together some of the sharpest thinkers in the field of human sexuality and goes a long way toward clarifying the diverse perspectives that currently exist David M Buss and Todd K Shackelford Quarterly Review of Biology *Histories of Sexuality* Stephen Garton, 2014-12-18 This book presents the first assessment of one of the most rapidly expanding fields of research the history of sexuality From the early efforts of historians to work out a model for sexual history to the extraordinary impact of French philosopher Michel Foucault to the vigorous debates about essentialism and social constructionism to the emergence of contemporary debates about historicism queer theory embodiment gender and cultural history we now have vast and diverse historical scholarship on sex and sexuality *Histories of Sexuality* highlights the key historical moments and issues pederasty and cultures of male passivity in ancient Greece and Rome the impact of early Christianity and ideals of renunciation on the sexual cultures of late antiquity the sustained existence of homosexual cultures in medieval and renaissance Europe the invention of homosexuality and

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