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Works of the Right Reverend John Wilkins' (1708). Together with an abstract of Dr. Wilkin's 'Essay towards a Real Character and a Philosophical Languages, ' a sketch of the life of the author and an account of his writings. With an introductory essay on the Universal Language Movement in England, France and Germany in the 17th and 18th century by Brigitte Asbach-Schnitker
