

Brescia, Bergamo and Milan, he crossed the Rhone and rested a short time in the Pays de Cevennes, a mountainous and romantic district of France, extending from the source of the Loire to the north of Languedoc, and occupying the tract of country between the ancient Aquitania and Gallia Narbonensis. Here he indulged in the ceremony of erecting an altar on the summit of the highest mountain of Cevennes, and of dedicating it to the country, which he had just left, as the parent of his studies and of his literary application"—*Sancta Mater Studiorum*. We do not know where Johnson got his authority for these statements or where he found the poems which he published in which two friends lament Linacre's departure from Italy. Of one visit we know, namely, to the celebrated Nicolaus Leonicensis, of Vicenza, one of the earliest and most distinguished of the medical humanists and author of the first