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Anyone interested in the Shroud's supposed 'boiling in oil' is recommended to seek out the as usual excellently produced Shroud Spectrum no. 37, in which there is to be found a graphic account of the 1503 Shroud exposition at Bourg on Bresse. Chief reporter of this exposition was Antoine de Lalaing, secretary to the Archduke Philip II, Spanish governor of the Netherlands, and it is in Lalaing's account that the undated, and highly doubtful boiling in oil incident is mentioned. The issue also includes editor Dorothy Crispino's valuable insights into the De Charny chronology.

Issue 38/9 concentrates on the Shroud as a textile, with a good translation of Gilbert Raes's study of the Shroud in 1973/4, followed by Gabriel Vial's observations in 1988. It also includes mention that on May 22 50 members of CIELT, the French Shroud group, met in the Senate building of the Palace of Luxembourg, Paris. This was to discuss the French response to the Vatican's August 1990 announcement inviting proposals for further scientific examination of the Shroud. CIELT's next general assembly will be in spring 1992.