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love, the education of women, writing, and right conduct. This edition also includes a translation of an oration, or harangue, of Scudéry's in

which Sapho extols the talents and abilities of women in order to persuade them to write.