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APPEAL TO  
SOCIETY IN BEHALF  
OF EXTRA-MURAL BURIAL**

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C E M E T E R Y  
A BRIEF APPEAL TO THE FEELINGS OF  
SOCIETY IN BEHALF OF EXTRA-  
MURAL BURIAL

"Siste viator"



LONDON  
WILLIAM PICKERING

1848





DEDICATION.

TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE LORD  
VISCOUNT MORPETH.

ETC. ETC.

MY LORD,

**T**HERE fell from your Lordship, in the last session of Parliament, an expression of an intention to bring in a bill, in the present one, to remedy the evils of burial within towns.

Sympathising deeply with your labours for the good of the half-stifed thousands, which form the teeming reproach of a Chris-

tianized metropolis, I have sought and obtained permission to dedicate this humble effort at co-operation in so righteous a cause to yourself.

If a statement of facts is evidence, and an appeal from the sufferings which they entail to the feeling of society, an admissible argument, it matters little whether that argument be stated in prose or verse. Further, if it be true, as your Lordship's experience can probably testify, that men may oppose a hard-grained apathy, and an eye of self-interested suspicion, to the more formal and rigid aspect under which this subject presents itself to the study of the statesman, there is still a reserve of lighter and yet loftier influences, which may not fall without effect upon the bosom of public sympathy. An effort to give



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such influences scope has been the origin of the following short poem, with more ardent wishes that such a cause may prosper than even that I may be conducive to its prosperity,

I beg to remain

Your Lordship's

Most obliged and obedient Servant,

THE AUTHOR.

OXFORD,  
Nov. 26, 1847.





## THE CEMETERY.

“ Siste, viator.”

**P**AUSE, traveller, on the road of wealth, or fame,  
Or sorrow, o'er the bourne to all the same.  
Deign o'er the stone, cosmopolite, to bend,  
Where this world's citizenship hath an end.  
Here let its wisdom for a while be mist,  
And ponder, with the worm thy moralist.

Or, art thou one whom industry, not birth,  
Crowns with the merchant-princedom of the earth?  
For thee doth wealth her hundred channels  
through