

in the warp and woof of his being. How the Jewish exile wailed in home-sickness for a Jerusalem in ruins, while he was in bondage by Babel's historic stream! How the ostracised sons and daughters of Zion to-day long for a built up city in Palestine to be again glorious and the joy of the whole earth! Those who are financially able go there to die. The Moslem's heart would leap with joy were he permitted to die at Mecca, which to him is the nearest earthly offset to Paradise, and to which daily, in prayer, he turns his longing eyes. Next to these worthy and natural aspirations is the hope that we may avoid a pauper's grave in the forsaken corner of some God's acre, away from home and kindred. If our mortal remains must lie far away from our native land, then let there be kindred ashes with ashes, kindred dust to dust, in some such sunny spot as this upon which we are now assembled. This spot is for the homeless dead of our people, but which are not always friendless. I have noticed flowers upon the few graves now seen near where we stand. Some loving hands had put them over the mounds in which reposed the forms of those who, in life, were objects of affection, and it may be, of intensest love. Were it not for your generosity, as far as I know, every one of these ten bodies, as well as the hundreds for which there is room, and will be for a century to come, would have been buried four and five together in a common grave in a weed-covered corner of this city of the dead. No boast is made of this, but reverentially on this beautiful June day we formally set apart this select spot, and this select cairn, as a burial ground and monument for the needy Scottish dead. We devoutly say, 'Peace to their ashes.'"

The next speaker was Rev. G. M. Milligan, who referred to the love of Scotchmen for their native land and the desire to uphold the traditions of home. There was nothing wrong in people of a common stock to band together as a people of the same country for the furtherance of their common objects. That was as it should be, and was a source of strength, so far as it was legitimate, to the country. After enlarging on the special features of Scottish character as seen in religion—in practical philanthropy—he complimented the gathering on the fine situation selected as the burying plot of the Scottish poor, and on the very handsome and imposing monument erected over it—a substantial, grim cairn, characteristic of the people for whom it was intended.

Mr. Robert Swan, president of the Caledonian Society, congratulated the St. Andrew's Society on having carried out to completion such a handsome Caledonian cairn. He also congratulated the Scotch people of Toronto for securing such an excep-