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Excerpt: .in the centre is a grass plot of considerable dimensions, to which the cloisters open. The history of this place is, that the Archbishop Ubaldo Lanfranchi, who was cotemporary with Henry the Third, brought to Pisa a large quantity of earth from Mount Calvary, and placed it in the spot round which the cloister was afterwards built, during the same century--hence, the name of Campo Santo--hence the ambition of the mighty superstitious to have their bones committed to this holy field. This, therefore, is a place of graves and tombs, and whited sepulchres, and urns, and sarcophagi; for the dead have--been brought hither from all parts of the world, and here they lie, in awful array, to tell tales of mortality, and of the refuges of lies. Oh! that the folly, and pride, and ambition of man should have so confounded and obscured the religion...



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