## THE STATUARY PAVILION AND STATUES

- Unveiled August 1888 by Duncan Gillies, Premier of Victoria.(Friend of Thomson)
- Built to house statues willed by Thomson. (3,700 pounds)
- Flight from Pompeii. Commenced by Benzoni, finished by Summers. (original
  Designed by Benzoni only 4'6" held in Summers studio in Rome)
  Cost 1500 pounds. (Acquired whilst Sydney Art Gallery haggled with
  Vendor re. price.)

Panels. – Roman Sentinel, Blind Girl, a Priest trying to escape with treasure and slaves amid general confusion.

- Susannah at the bath, Reliefs innocence and accusers.
- Ruth Reliefs return to Naomi's country and gleaning in field of Boaz.
- Rebekah shading her eyes to see Joseph in the distance, her future home.
- Modesty note veil.

<sup>\*\*</sup> With the money left over from this purchase the executors were able to commission Percy Ball to create the statue of Wallace – a suitable action in view of Thomson's Scottish lineage.