EXCERPTS

From the Atlantic Monthly for December.

AUTUMNAL.

Can this be sadness? this forebode decay?
Are these the vestments of funereal woe?
Sure, hues that pale like these the dawning's glow
The rather deck some dryad's festal day!
Hail, radiant hour! thrice welcome, gladsome ray,
That, kindling through these boughs, with golden flow,
Streams joy and summer to the shades below!
And thou, brown-dappled Oak, and Maple gay,
In rippling waves of many-tinted flame,
Little Birch gold-hued, thin Ash, whose dyes might shame
The trodden vintage reeking on the lees,
And ivied Beech with sanguine cinctures fair:
As in the days long past, fraternal trees,
With you, whate'er your gladness, let me share!

O'er banks of mossy mould how lightly strewn
All the wan summer lies! The heedless tread
Awokes no sound; and, had not pale leaves fled,
As soft it came, the low wind were not known.
How strange the sharp and long-drawn shadows thrown
From lank and shriveled branches overhead,
While from their withered glories, spoiler-shed,
The earthy autumn-scents are faintly blown!
Ah! reft and ravaged bowers, the garish day
Flaunts through the hildings of your dewy glooms!
And thou, in leafy twilights wont to be,
Shy maid, sweet-thoughted Sadness, come away,
And here beneath this Hemlock's drooping plumes
With pensive retrospection muse with me.

Why holds o'er all my heart this dreamy hour
A sway that spring or summer never knew?
Why seems this ragged gentian, wanly blue,
Of all the circling year the fairest flower?
Whence has each wandering leaf this mystic power
That all my secret being trembles through—
Or sounds the blackbird's note more human-true
Than all the songs of June from greenwood bower?
Deep meanings haunt the groves and sunny glades,
Strange dearness broods along the hazy slopes,
A vague but tender awe my breast pervades,
That hints of shadowy doubt, yet is not fear;
While musing quiet stirs with drowsy hopes,
And Nature's loving heart seems doubly near.

What the Andirons Cost.

"Peter," said my uncle, knocking the ashes from his pipe, laying it on the corner of the shelf, and then fixing his eyes on the andirons, "Peter, those cost me $1,000."

"Dear me!" exclaimed my aunt.

"Oh, father," cried the girls.

"Impossible," said I.

"True, every word true. $1,000, did I say? yes, $2,000, full $2,000!"

"Well, well," said my aunt, folding up her knitting for the night, "I should like to know what you are talking about."

My uncle bent forward, and planting his hands firmly on his knees, and with a deliberate air showed no doubt of his being able to prove his assertions, he began:

"Well, you see, a good many years ago, we had a pair of common old andirons. Your cousin Lettie says one day, "Father, don't you think these old andirons are getting too shabby?" "Shabby or not, says I, they would hold up the wood as nicely as if they were made of gold. "Soon after that, Peter," continued my uncle, "your aunt took it up ——"

"There it goes," interrupted my aunt, "you can't get along without dragging me in."

"Your aunt took it up, Peter, and she said, "our neighbors could afford brass andirons, and they were no better off than we were." And she said Letty and her sister Jane were just getting old enough to see company, and the stingy-looking andirons might hurt their market. I knew that women will have their own way, and there is no use in objecting: so I got the andirons. The price of them was four dollars and a half ——"

"Ah, that's more like it, cried my aunt, "I thought you said $2,000!"

"My dear, I wish you would not interrupt me. Four and a half. Well, the first night after we got them, as we all sat by the warm fire talking over the matter, Letty called my attention to the hearth, the stones of which were cracked and uneven. The hearth was entirely out of keeping with the new andirons, and I thought I might as well have it replaced first as last. The next day, a mason was sent for to examine it. He came in my absence, and when I returned home your aunt and cousins beset me at once to have a marble slab, and they put their heads together."

"Le me!" exclaimed my aunt, "there was no putting heads together about it. The hearth was a real worn out thing, not fit for a pig pen."

"They put their heads together, Peter, as I was saying, and continued till I got a marble hearth, which cost me twenty dollars—yes, twenty dollars, at least. Then I thought I was done with expenses, but I was wrong. Soon I began to hear sly hints thrown out about the brick work around the fire place, not corresponding with the hearth. I stood for a moment or two against your aunt and the girls, but they at length got the better of me, and I [illegible] to have marble instead of brick. [illegible] old wood mantle-piece was [illegible] that it was necessary to have a marble one. The cost of this was nearly $100. And now that the spirit of improvement had got a start, there was no stopping. The new mantle put to shame the old white-washed walls, and they must be painted, of course; and to prepare them for paint, sundry repairs were necessary. While this was going on, your aunt and the girls appeared to be quite satisfied; and when it was done, they had no idea that the old parlor could be made to look so spruce. But this was only a short respite. The old rag carpet began to raise a dust, and I found there would be no peace—"

"Now, father!" exclaimed the girls.

"Till I got a new carpet. That, again, shamed the old furniture, and it had to be turned out and replaced with new. Now, Peter, my lad, count up $20 for the hearth and $130 for the mantle-piece and repairs. What does that make?"

"$150, uncle."

"Well, $50 for paper and paint."

"$200."

"Then $50 for a carpet, and $100, at least, for furniture"—

"$350."

"Ahem! There's that clock, too, and the blinds—$50 more."

"$400, exactly." My aunt and cousins winked at each other.

"Now," continued my uncle, "so much for this one room. No sooner was the room finished, than the complaints came from all quarters about the dining-room and entry. Long before this I had surrendered at their discretion, and handed in my submission. The dining-room cost $400 more. What does that count, Peter?"

"$800, uncle."

"Then the chambers—at least $400, to make them chime with the down-stairs."

"$1,200."

"The outside of the house had to be repaired and painted, of course. Add $200 for that."

"$1,400."

"Then, there must be a piazza in front; that cost $200."

"$1,600." Here aunt began to yawn, Letty to poke the fire, and Jane to twirl over the leaves of a book.

"A new carriage came next, Peter; that cost $200."

"$1,800."

"Then there was a lawn to be laid out and neatly fenced—a servant to be hired—parties given occasionally—bonnets and dresses at double the former cost—and a hundred other little expenses in keeping with the new order of things. Yes, Peter, I was entirely within bounds when I said $2,000.

The opposition was silent. My aunt immediately arose and "guessed it was bed time." I was left alone with my uncle, who was not inclined to drop the subject. He was a persevering man, and never gave up what he undertook till he had done the work thoroughly. So he brought out his books and accounts, and set about making an exact estimate of the expense. He kept me up till after midnight before he got through. His conclusion was that the pair of andirons cost him $3,450.

How the Richest Man in the World Lived.

As every one is interested to know how so rich a man as Baron Rothschild lived, correspondents are particular as to every movement of his daily life. It is related that he arose every morning at six o'clock. His body servant shaved and dressed him. Meanwhile, M. Boudeville (a teacher of elocution, who fits people for the stage) read the newspapers to him, and told him the gossip of the green-rooms of the Paris theatres. He was dressed for the day at this early hour, putting on even a white cravat. He next received a Prussian-named Bernard, with whom he examined the quotations from the great exchanges of Europe, and decided upon and gave orders for the transactions of the day. He next received the correspondence clerks, took from them the more important letters which required a reply from the Baron, and approved or modified the proposed replies to other letters. Then the almoner came in and reported on the poor relieved, and received new instructions. He then went to Mme. de Rothschild for her instructions. After the almoner retired, the Baron received his experts; men who kept him informed of all art and book sales; they made reports or received instructions. He then went to breakfast.

All the family met at breakfast, and usually one or two of his married children were present. After breakfast the baron went to his office (which was immediately on the street, and separated from his house by the court-yard—a covered way reached from one to the other) to receive people. At two o'clock he would sometimes go to the Bourse, or oftener to the auction mart, for he was fond of buying objects of curiosity and pictures. He would return to his office, and at 4 o'clock drive down to Chateau de Surense or Bois de Boulogne, returning at five o'clock to his club, where he would play whist at ten sous a point, until dinner time. During the last part of his life he became eccentric in a good many small matters. He carried a portmonnaie which was closed with a lock, although he never carried more than fifty francs about him, (if a man carries more he is sometimes led to extravagant expense, he used to say,) and often nothing at all. He carried the key of this lock on his watch chain. The members of the club in the Rue Koyal used to laugh to see the Baron fumbling for his key, and even his lock, (his sight was latterly impaired,) and when, at last, he managed to open the portmonnaie, to find it empty. After dinner he received company at home, or went to some theatre.

☞ It is stated that on the day of Baron James de Rothchild's funeral his widow gave orders that every beggar who came to the door should receive a gold piece of twenty francs, and that in pursuance of this order no less than sixty thousand dollars were given away in the course of the day.

☞ "How do I look, doctor?" asked a painted young lady of the family physician. "I can't tell, madame, till you uncover your face," was the crushing reply.

☞ Man leads woman to the altar—in that act his leadership begins and ends.

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September 5, 1868—y.

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Chestertown, Sept. 26, 1868.

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Oct. 10, 1868. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

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Oct. 17, 1868—tf.

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