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- (10) "Thy triumph ceased awhile,
And Hope, thy sister, ceased with thee to smile."

ADJECTIVES.

EXERCISE.

7. Tell what the italicized words in the following sentences are used for.

- (1) He is an *old* man.
- (2) He lives in a *white* house.
- (3) The city is supplied with *pure* water.
- (4) *Ten* men were elected to serve on the committee.
- (5) The ocean seems *boundless*.

A word used to describe or limit the meaning of a noun or pronoun is called an **adjective**.

Note.—To limit does not necessarily signify to narrow the meaning, but to determine its extent. The adjective *old* in the sentence, "He is an old man," describes the man with regard to age, or *limits* the man spoken of, to a certain class. So with *white*, *pure*, *ten* and *boundless*.

EXERCISE II.

Analyze these sentences, and select the nouns, verbs, pronouns and adjectives.

- (1) The pupil deserves great praise for his industry.
- (2) Diligent pupils receive their reward.
- (3) The sweet breeze shakes the green leaves.
- (4) Do you hear the merry bells peal forth a joyous welcome.

Write ten sentences each containing an adjective.