

FOR THE SCRIBBLER.

AN AUTUMNAL THOUGHT.

Sadly blows the rushing gale,
 Sadly roars the foaming stream,
 Languid looks the faded vale,
 Pale and faint Sol's misty beam.

Varied hues the mountain's side
 Gives to the spectator's eye ;
 All its beauty, all its pride,
 Soon shall wither, soon shall die.

Soon the elm's gay summer-robe,
 Yielding to th' autumnal blast,
 Soon the poplar's sylvan dress,
 Verdant coverings, will be cast.

Winter gathering in the North,
 Now invades th' ethereal plain,
 Calls his cold attendants forth,
 Blasting winds, and sleet, and rain.

Nature holds the gloomy pall
 That must shroud the closing year ;
 Shuts the scene, and then lets fall
 O'er its tomb a frozen tear.

Such is man ! his bloom decays ;
 Life's pale autumn soon draws near ;
 Death his glory prostrate lays,
 And rounds the winter of his year.

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