



PROMINENT flower in the month of November is the chrysanthemum. So enduring of frost is it that when other flowers have hidden their glories, and even the giants of the forest have mostly shed their foliage, this cheery friend beams upon us in robes of brightest hues. Indeed, one writer claims for this flower that there is not a single brilliant hue decking the landscape in autumn, but is more than equalled by her gorgeous colors, in her numerous varieties.

If wanted for indoor blooming, they should be potted in September. Still, with care, ordinary success may be had by lifting them even now, if they have been fortunate enough to escape the frost.

The anemone-flowered chrysanthemum is quite distinct. It has three or four beautiful bright petals and a centre formed of small tubular star-like florets of a different color, which gives them a very pleasing appearance.



Fig. 93.—Anemone Flowered Chrysanthemum.

KEEPING AWAY FROST.—A writer in the American Agriculturist gives a good plan for preventing the freezing of plants in the cellar during the coldest nights in winter. He places a lighted central draft lamp on the cellar floor. Since he has tried this experiment he has found it unnecessary to bank up the house to keep out the cold. The heat from this lamp was very great, and could be used to protect house plants in the windows, or those stored for the winter in the cellar or cold-pit. A lamp of the same pattern may also be attached to the window box, so as to give bottom heat for starting early flowers and vegetable seeds.