

Poetry.

NOVEMBER.

November, with icy crown, Desolate, barren and brown, Why do you come with frosty breath, Shaking the rustling red leaves down, And chilling the summer to death?

Literature.

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CHAPTER I.

It was a night of unclouded beauty. A dewy freshness filled the silent air. No mist, no cloud, no speck or stain obscured the rich deep arc of heaven, or hid the glory of the diamond stars, that

"No, no Dudley; you know that I have no selfish feeling in the matter," she returned, with a little sob, and shrinking from him as if he had struck her a blow. "You know," she added, "that I am only glad for you."

No lawful means to perpetuate my name, or to heart, love or no love, wife or no wife. But unfortunately the days of Napoleon have gone by, and the measures which he adopted to attain his end might this time be applied to me."

She stopped in her pacing, and lifting one convulsed hand in threatening, said sternly: "Woe unto you, Dudley Durward, and woe it will be, for just as sure as you have blotted out every joy from your own future, I will blot out every joy from your own past."

looked at her. He had never seen her so beautiful before. Her brow was as calm as if no thought of trouble had ever ruffled the smooth sea of life. Her eyes glowed with an intensity of light that dazzled him. Her cheeks were the loveliest flush. Her tones of welcome, as she greeted her guests and responded to their congratulations, were clear and sweet, her smile winning, her manner cordial and gracious.

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