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INVOCATION OF THE MUSES.

"Oft have the laws of each poetic strain  
The critic-verse employed; yet still unsung  
Lay this prime subject. These flattering scenes  
To this neglected labour, court my song."

*Akenside.*

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"HAPPY THOUGHT."

Mr. G. Adolphus Feakins and his friend Solomon Dodd, Esq., have a *happy thought*, "To take a furnished house in the country for the season, at a low rent, and escape the discomforts and extor-tions of Long Branch and Saratoga."

"'Tis distance lends enchantment to the view,  
And robes the mountain in its azure hue."

*Pleasures of Hope.*

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SOBER SECOND THOUGHT.

Their wives of course take a different view of the subject, but agree to go, to please their lords.

"Ah, gentle dames! it gars me greet,  
To think how monie counsels sweet,  
How monie lengthened, sage advices,  
The husband frae the wife despises."

*Tam O'Shanter.*