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SKETCHES OF EMINENT PERSONS.

The following sketches of likenesses and characters of various eminent persons in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries are extracted from different parts of Aubrey's Lives, (recently printed from the originals in the Bodleian and Ashmolean Libraries, Oxford). They are interesting as being given by a writer contemporary with, and the friend of the greater part of them:—

SIR WALTER RALEIGH.—He was a tall, handsome, bold man; had a most remarkable aspect—an exceeding high forehead, long faced, and sour eie lidded, a kind of piggie-eie; but withall, that awfulness and ascendancy in his aspect over other mortals, that as K. Charles I. said of the Lord Strafford, he was a person that a Prince would rather be afraid than ashamed of. At an obscure tavern in Drury-Lane (a bayliff's) is a good picture of this worthy, and also of others of his time, taken upon some execution, I suppose, formerly. But the best is at Mr. Raleigh's, at Dowaton (an original) where he is in a white satin doublet, all embroidered with rich pearles, and a mighty rich chaine of great pearles about his neck. The old servants have told me, that the pearles were near as big as the painted ones. I heard my cousin Witney say that he saw him in the Tower. He had a velvet cap laced, and a rich gowne and trunke hose.

SIR PHILIP SIDNEY is described as being not only of an excellent wit, but extremely beautiful. He much resembled his sister, says our author, but his haire was not red, but a little inclining, viz.—a darke amber colour. If I were to find a fault in it, methinks 'twas not masculine enough. My great uncle Browne remembered him, and sayd that he was wont to take I is