

# Forecast for Mid- December

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In the next week or two, the red oak  
will loose and lose its leaves  
in a red-orange layer across the yard  
and yards away in yards across the street  
and north across the lot line  
only the law can see  
except where the backyard fence  
fences the neighbor. It will be  
a glorious mess again  
until tidiness sets in  
deploying rakes, bags and backs  
against unruly and rigorous nature.

