The old man's eye.— it indicates a lack of visual clarity and reliability of the man. A watch is a visual and auditory representation of time. The narrator, who literally controls the time of death for the old man, compares himself to a watch's minute hand. It is a symbol of narrator's paranoia and insanity: "I think it was his eye! Yes, it was this! ... Whenever it fell upon me, my blood ran cold". It symbolizes the narrator's guilt. That's why he did't trust people and was afraid of surrounding world.???