

dress to the virginity of the young lady; but which in my opinion, is nothing more or less than *Charivari* transposed, for every etymologist knows that *l* and *r*, being lingual letters, are as convertible as the labials *b* and *v*, or the gutterals *g* and *k*. But these recondite researches must be deferred for the present; and in the mean time as I have a great regard for *St. Ann*, and have, as Moore expresses it,

“A sweet little Saint of my own”

of that name, I dedicate the following lines to her, and all the *Ann*'s, the *Anna*'s, the *Nancy*'s, the *Annette*'s and *Nannette*'s, in town and country.

Whether with formal pen I trace
The name of lovely *Ann*,
Or in her arch and playful face
Read, I may call her *Nan*;

A soul inspiring name it is,
Of love's delights the fan;
The sun no truer mistress sees
Than kind and smiling *Ann*.

On this auspicious day I'll take
A morning walk with *Annie*,
And at the festal board partake
A dinner drest by *Nanny*.

The poet's and the sage's lore
Like heaven descended manna,
We then together will explore,
T'instruct and pleasure, *Anna*.

De longue-vue ni de lunette
On n'a besoin pour voir
Les charmes de la belle *Nanette*,
Qu'on aime matin et soir.

But of all names in poet's stories,
Like Prior, none I can see,
Althea, Daphne, Delia, Chloris,
So sweet, so dear as *Nancy*.

And when the evening shades descend,
To please my amorous fancy,
Nameless the name that can transcend
The night's enchantress, *Nancy*.

The fascination of a name is very great; and when prepossession exists, the association of i-