The Poet's Corner. This is All.

Just a sauuter in the twilight, Just a sail on sea or river. Just a dance at rout or ball, Just a glance that hearts enthrall-This is all and this is all

Just a few harsh words of doubting Just a silence proud and cold, Just a spiteful breath or slander, Just a wrong that is not told. Just a word beyond recall-This is all-and this is all.

Just a life robbed of its brightness Just a heart by sorrow filled, Just a faith that trust no longer. Just a love by doubting chilled Just a few hot tears that fall-This is all-an! this is all.

St. Vatentine's Day.

The celebration of St. Valentine's Day, like many other time honored customs, seems to have originated from a commingling of the early Christian, and the more ancient Pagan ceremonies perpetuated in Roman countries.

St. Valentine, whose name still hon ors the fourteenth day of February, was without doubt one of the most worthy fathers of the Christian Church. His life, as authentically recorded, was a that recently appeared in the Conservawill and gifts of affection should be exchanged by friends and lovers in the name of this admirable saint, upon his festival day, which occurred on the 14th

But at this time, the heathen feast of the Lupercalia, whose origin dates back to the age of fable, was also celebrated; and at this festival it had been, for generations, customary to place the names of a certain number of Roman maidens whence they were drawn by chance by an equal number of young men.

The names by which these old Roman youths and maidens were designated when rhus associated together, does not appear; but the founders of the Christian Church, finding ahat they could not eradicate the fondness for this custom from the minds of the young people, very wisely incorporated it with their own authorized usages; and the Christian young men and women became for the time one another's "Valentines."

There was also a very pretty belief current in those old times that the birds chose their mates upon St. Valentine's Day and sang their sweetest carols at

The custom of choosing one's valentine by let and bestowing and receiving not a bar beverage, but strictly pure some simple or valuable gift, as the case might be, was long practiced in England blood, and will not aid in making drunkand continental Europe.

Among the felk-customs in vogue among sentimental young ladies, was that of eating a hard-boiled egg, shell William a declaration that Germany has and all sure indeed the yoke for which no intention of attacking France. a ball of salt was substituted. The maider, thus inspired by thirst and indigestion failed not to dream wonderful dreams which being interpreted, doubtless meant anything she pleased.

The famous "Journal" of Mr Pepys of London, written in the 17th century, contains a description of the custom of drawing valentines by lot as then practised in England. Among the girls mentioned on such festivals is that of five pounds to one person, a valuable vanish of itself. By druggists. jewel to another, and a basket of kittens to a third ; thus showing that the standard St. Valentine favors was easily adapted to the individuals tastes or purse.

There has however been a time, within the memory of the present generation, when poor St. Valentine, becoming entirely to antiquated, has been permitted to rest in obscure if not ignominous repose.

The young ladies of the house suddenly scorned to look for a declaration of affection indited upon lace-bordered note-paper; and the pretty servant girls no longer blushed over the gilt cupids Poles and lacerated hearts which once caused their bosoms to flutter with delight.

Until quite a recent date the children and especially the jocund schoolboy-the latter with his comic sheet-have mono polized the day.

But times are very changeful; and just now the manufacturers of the countless cards and booklets which ask only the faintest raison 'd etra, have seized upon the memory of good St. Valentine to help them in the circulation of their dainty wares.

Of one thing we may be sure however; have no cause to blush for the gilt-edged, lace-bordered, tinsel-laden effusions, which many of our older readers will remember, are happily extinct; and their tawdry sentiment is replaced by quotations from the standard poets which give to the mission of St. Valentine somewhat more of dignity and sincerity than did the die-away strains of thirty or forty years ago.

But of all valentines, old and new, we find none to compare with that penned by the immortal "bard of Avon;" and we wonder if pretty Anne Hathaway appreciated the rare merit of the dainty It will not blister or discolor the skin. we wonder if pretty Anne Hathaway aplines which was sent to her in the name of St. Valentine, centuries ago.

verses written on one eventful February ning.

14th, to the maiden of his choice, by that poet of poets and lover of lovers, William Shakespeare.

With modernized spelling this famous old valentine runs as follows: "Is there in heaven aught more care Than thou, sweet nymph of Avon for Is there on earth a man more true Than Willy Shakespeare is to you?

Though fickle fortune prove unkind, Still doth she leave her wealth behind; She ne'er the heart can form anew. Nor make thy Willy's love untrue.

Though age with withered hand do strik The form most fair, the face most bright Still doth she leave untouched and true, Thy Willy's love and friendship too. Though death with never failing blow Doth man and babe alike bring low. Yet doth he take naught but his due. And strikes not Willy's heart still true.

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The czar has received from Emperor

If anything clogs the waste pipes in the house, we become alarmed, for sew-er-gas is apt to generate disease. The children, then, are removed to their grand-parents', or kept out-of doors as much as possible, until the defect is remedied. But the waste pipes of the human system are often allowed to clcg. and the sufferer, who cannot get away from the poison, becomes unfit for work or pleasure. In such cases, Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets" will gently remove the cause, and the effect

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A dispatch from Miles City reports the cattle scattering on the ranges or crowding to the rivers for water.

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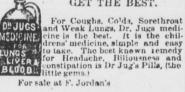
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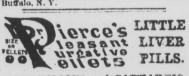
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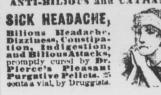


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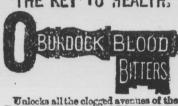
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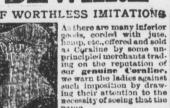
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