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my lap it lies before me With its pages touched by Time. And the Past steals softly o'er me While I read its simple rhyme: Like a messenger from Aiden. When the earth was white with snow. From a merry little maiden Came this missive long ago.

> AS I read the homely verses.
> Which she ended with a Riss. This old heart of mine rehearses Many a scene of youthful bliss: Till I seem to hear her calling In a voice that's half divine. And a holy light is falling O'er a sweetheart's valentine.

WOVLD she smile to see me sitting In my cosy chamber small With the lights and shadows flitting O'er the vision-painted wall? Does her heart, grown old now, miss me? Nay! I trow it once was mine : Could she come. I know she'd kiss me. O'er this dear old valentine.

N the twilight dim I fold it While descends the fleecy snow. But my old hands love to hold it As they held it long ago: Many a joy the Past possesses. But the deepest one is mine When a wealth of golden tresses Frames a sweetheart's valentine.



#### EDITH'S VALENTINE.

AN OLD - PASHIONED LOVE STURY.

By J. W. HUTCHEN. 

MONG the cushions of a cozy low A window seat of a cottage in a quaint New England village sits a young woman, possessed of the charms and grace of training and endowed with the rare gifts of nature that render her sea | saut in Upon the hearth crackled and sputtered



EDITH AT THE WINDOW

cheerful fire, that shed its cheery warmth over the simple but comfortably furnished Without the snow fell noiselessly, covering the frozen earth with a winding sheet of downy whiteness.

Edith Vane sat gazing at the wintry scene, while upon her pretty face was a look akin to sadness; in her mellow, expressive eyes glistened a tear. Her thoughts, on the swift wings of love, had flown far across the sea to India, whither, four years ago, a fond lover had gone in search of fame and fortune. Four years ago he had looked into her tender eyes and whispered the old, old story, and she had promised to be true to him. He would return, he said, with trembling voice, and claim her as his wife, and she had wept tears of sadness and tears of joy-sad tears that he must leave her, and joyous tears that he would return to her some sweet day. The years rolled by, dur ing which her greatest joy was the occasional letter, full of passionate love, that came to her from across the sea. Each one stated: "Wait patiently, darling, I am coming soon;" but he came not.

In an arm chair near the cheerful fire sat Edith's mother, busily engaged with her knitting needles. Turning to her daughter she saw the far-away, sad look in her eyes, and, with a loving mother's instinct, she knew the cause, and her heart bled for the

unhappy child.
"Cheer up, Edith, dear; you know this is Valentine's day, and remember we are to have the young folks here this afternoon,' she said in a tone of cheerfulness, hoping to dispel the melancholy mood of her daughter. 'Yes, mother, this is Valenting's dayjust four years ago to-day Arthur sailed for

India." "Be patient, dear-he will return, and soon, I ween; did he not say so in his last letter?"

'Yes, mother; but it has been nearly six months since I have heard from him-and, besides, all his letters contained that same

indefinite promise," replied Edith, with a "That is why I hope to see him soon Edith, dear-now cheer up; Arthur Chalmers loves you, and if he still lives rest as

sured he will return and then you will be the happier for having waited.' "I will, mother, for your confiding hope has instilled in my heart its spirit; I shall try and be more cheerful."

So saying she arose and began to prepare for the Valentine party her mother had urged her to give. Her mother's words had indeed dispelled the darkness and lighted up her heart with a hope that rendered her almost happy. She left the room and soon returned with paper and scissors, and beup her heart with a hope that rendered her almost happy. She left the room and soon returned with paper and scissors, and began humming a quaint love ditty as she deftly cut the paper into small bits. It had been her mother's custom to adhere to the old Scottish mode of celebrating Saint Valentine's day, and this time it had not been forgotten. The bits of paper prepared, she forgotten. The bits of paper prepared, she allied the dainty baseles with nuts, and went of love heard it, and two hearts were heart.

singing from one duty to another. By the noon hour every nook and corner of the comfortable cottage had been made nore in viting by the touch of her deft fingers, untinow a spirit of congenial warmth and cheer fulness pervaded it. The piercing cold from without found no place within its wall The pretty little parlor was cheerfulness it self, and a fit gathering place for the happy young people who were to meet there in the early afternoon.

The hours wore away, and the appointed

time for the arrival of the guests came. It couples they found their way through the drifting snow and were ushered into the warm partor of Edith's home, and in her forgetten her sorrow and longing. With the spirit of zest and unalloyed hap

of the young people of New England they entered into the games and amusements that long custom had made familiar and appropriate, and all were hap py save Edith. Though she managed to ap pear light-hearted there lurked in her bo som a weary longing, a heartache, that would not constitute sips of paper bearing the names of absent ones who were to be drawn as valentines were placed in a basket and it was passed among the laughing group. Each drew forth a slip and reac the name, eager to know "who shall be my valentine." When the basket reached Edith she gently shook her head, and a sac

is a passed over her face.
"Why, Miss Edith, are you not going to draw a valentine?"

'Not this time, Ralph," and as the tear came to her eyes she started to leave the room, but the door was softly opened and her mother entered, saying: "Here, Edith your valentine."

Earth took it with trembling hand and "Arthur Chalmers, Calcutta, India." She started perceptibly at the name, bu turning to her mother she asked: "Why do you torture me thus, mother?" and slowly



IN LOVE'S SILENCE.

walked from the room. Arthur Chalmers who had reached the village unannounced and unexpected, had hurried to the home of Edith's mother eager to see again the idol of his heart, and the star of hope that had guided him through the wiids of far away India, whither he had gone in search of wealth, that he might pour it into the laj of her he loved. He had heard the happy voices in the parlor and sought first the liv ing-room, where he knew he would fine Edith's mother. He had grown rich in India and had now returned to add to his store the brightest gem of all-a beautiful wifeand then his cup of joy would be filled to

overflowing. Edith crossed the hall and entered her mother's room, and, walking to the window. for she had not seen the handsome young traveler sitting in her mother's arm chair she read again the name on the card and Arthur Chalmers saw a tear drop from her cheek upon the bit of pasteboard. He could wait no longer, and, springing toward her e almost shouted:

"Edith, my darling!" "Arthur! She buried her face on his manly breast,

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O LONG as human possions hold sway over the destinies of mankind, so long will St. Valentine's day be opt. It has survived the lapse of time, hange of customs, and the progress of civlization. The day is sacred to preference, he choice of the sexes, the passion of love. It takes its name from St. Valentine, a resbyter or bishop of Rome, who was ruelly beaten with clubs and finally be leaded on the Elaminian way, in Rome, 'ebruary 14, A. D. 270, during the reign of Imperor Marcus Aurelius Claudaus, Valntinus was famous for his love and charity, and was early canonized, his day coming in February (named for the Greek goddess Juno Febra), and about the same time that the Roman festival of the Lupercasta or curred, a feast observed in honor of the detties Pan and Juno.

One of the customs of this festival was that young men drew from a box a billet ascribed with the name of a maiden in he community in which he lived, each bachelor devoting housed for a twe vemonth to the service of the lady whom chance gave him, thus he ming her lage knight. f not her lover and husband. From this instom is supposed to originate the phrase 'marriage is a lottery." The praests of the arly church wisely kept all the festivals they could, changing their form or engraft ing them on to saints' day. So, in some tashion, the godly martyr of early days beame the patron saint of the heart

The festival was established in England, Scotland and France about the Fifteenth entury, and our good ancestors in Merrie England were delighted with it. Court and lovel alike honored the day with give and erriment. It was formerly the custom of the young people on the occasion of this estival to decorate themselves with flowrs, wreaths and true-love knots, and go n procession from house to house in the norning, singing such a ditty as:

"Good morrow to you, Valentine, Curl yayr locks 48 I do mine— Two before and three behind— Good morrow to you, Valentine." Who does not remember Ophelia's song: To-morrow is St. Valentine's day, And all the morning betime,

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