

HE rather misty historical chronicles on the subject would seem to indicate that comic valentines did not make their appear-ance quite as early as the 合合

that these sarcastic souvenirs were not far behind the poetic confections of flowers and lace finding popular outset the who

"pretty kind." In the case of the artistic and sentimental blooms of St. Valentine the sender fa usually willing, nay anatous that the recipient shall suspect his identity. In the case of the comics, on the other hards will be not received to the proper of the term of the barged that a profound ascret.

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For you can see on either aid.

One of the most novel features of the beginings of the comic valentine craze was the apsearance of tradepreciping and the comic valentine and an expectation of the complex of the various volumes of the various volumes of mercantile trade. Such a reference work and a good-stade volume, for, in order to be omplete, it had to embody verses for every magnitude trade and occupation. There were some sentimental, tributes included in each volment of the control of t

ferences.

The system was certainly a convenient one, r not only were gibes and appeais provided in their was also appeaded favorable and provided in their was also appeaded favorable and invented in the recipient of one of the valentifies that deed had only to consult the book in order to certain the fippeir, reply. For instance, a gror could siddress his lady love as follows:

Your breath is all-spice I declare, And you're so neat and handy, That you're as sweet I think, my fair, Be favorable, I implore, These verses kindly weigh: And if you will my heart restore, I'll treat you to some tea.

However, the lovelorn grocer was liable to bly to this effect;

Your letter I've weighed, Am truly afraid lany pounds you're deficient in weight; As so Mr. Grocer, I'd-have you know. Str. care not a fig for your treat.

With the introduction of manufactured val-tines the comics kept pace with the sentimen-variety. Among the earliest and most inter-ing of the Sumorous products of the arriy val-tine manufacturers, were transformation pic-es, which conveyed hidden or double mean-ty and the sample was the design which a conveyed the sample was the design which

With the decreating cost ... combe valentines—the small- bey can row buy an unany as ten for a cent-there use has grown and our public men and celebrities, from the president, all down the ladder, are now likely to be deluged each February with more or less pertinent reminders of the jokers' day. Germany and Japan have manufactured many valentines, but American Hithographe to the properties of the poles o

eing has been extelled as



tive and fashionably gowned woman. However, the pulling of a string changed the whole aspect of the picture in that the head of the woman war suddenly replaced by that of a parrot. Later the manufacturers of comic valentines struck who

## Robin Redbreast's Valentine

A girl and a boy wandered forth into a fair, pleasant garden; that looked like fairyland, although it was wittry weather.

Suddenly the girl spoke.

"I wish St. Valentine had had the snowdrop instead of the crocus dedicated to him."

And as he spoke sho kingle and the delicate spoke should be spoke sh

Vider the snow; under the snow.
With your ivory heads all bending low.
How many secrets you must know!

The boy looked at her wonderingly.
"How can the flowers know anything?" he

asked.

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"Everything knows something." returned asked. Lehla, dreamly; "but the flowers are dumb and channot tell one their thoughts—only their beauty speaks, and their fragrance breathes sweet that work the control of the same than the sweet that work the control of the same times the brids; they control the same times the brids; they come til the same times the brids; they some til the same til the same

birthday."
"Yes," said Leila, softly—

The birds in spring Sweet chorus sing To good St. Valentine.

See, there are two sitting on a bough whis-pering to each other of the spring and summer days and all that is going to happen; where they shall live and how they shall build their nesta. And there are two more flying toward them and two more—always in pairs. Ah! that is because

on Valentine's day each bird chooses its mate."
"Of course," answered the boy.
"And the snowdron are nodding their heads, as if they were keeping time to the birds' song," continued Lelia. "Doubtless they have been waiting to do honor to St. Valentine. They have been lying patiently under the snow and now that the warmer day has come they are saying, "We belong to the wreath that the flowers weave for Valentine's day."

## WHY WE GIVE VALENTINES.

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Long ago there lived a priess named Valentine. This good man was noted in all the country round for his kindness. He sursed the sick, constroid the sorrowing and was always ready controlled the sorrowing and was always ready controlled the sorrowing and was always ready controlled the sorrowing and was always ready when the him for food or clothes were never turned sway. After this kind priest became too old to go among his people he was very sad because he them. The could no longer he of any help to them. The could no longer he of any help to them. The could no longer he of any help to them. The could no longer he of any help to them. The could no longer he of any help to them. The could no longer he of any help to them. The could no longer he of any help to the help them to be the same to the help them. The help them was to the help the history of the same that and the sound he a lest of the history of the ceived and soon the news went abroad that good old Valentine was dead. Then, every one said that such a man was good enough to be called a said and since then he has been known as St. when the same that and since then he has been known as St. brated his birthday by scaled until people gelebrated his birthday by accelled valentines. This all happened years ago, but good St. Valentine all happ

"I notice you ordered lots of ice cream during holidays."

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"Yes, I like to order ice cream sent home."
"Whyr"
"Because it is about the only thing mother will eat her share of, and not try to save until while at the share of, and not try to save until order to be considered."
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