

The Family Circle.

WHITTIER TO COLFAX.

COLFAX! well chosen to preside
Of Freedom's Congress, and to guide,
As one who holds the reins of fate,

WHAT STELLA COULD NOT BEAR.

Estelle Saxton was a very sweet looking
little girl, if sparkling, nut-brown eyes,
dimpled cheeks, clear complexion, and

But there was one thing Stella could not
bear. And who of you can guess what it
was? Some people cannot bear pain. But

What was it, then, that Estelle could not
bear? Ah, I shall have to tell you! For,

Just as long as Stella's father was "toler-
ably well off," and Stella had all she really
needed, without any care herself as to

Stella had among her schoolmates a "very
special friend." It was Viola Crystal. I
don't know whether she was named Viola

Viola's dresses looked so very plain now
to Stella! Her plain ruffles and linen bands
were so different from Stella's soft, "real"

door; and this time it was Grace Floy, a
cousin of Viola's, and a friend of both. The
third time the bell rang; and then Stella

"You must come down to the parlor with
me—won't you Viola?"

"Is any one else to be here? Did you ex-
pect Grace?" Viola asked, a little hurriedly,

"Yes, there are a few girls coming in to-
night. I suppose I ought to go down now.

Viola managed to say, "No, I thank
you"; and somehow contrived to get out of

It was the fact of its being Stella's birth-
day that had induced Viola to make the
visit; and as she drew from her pocket the

Poor Viola! She found there was one
thing very hard for her to bear—change in
a friend. It was a hard lesson to Viola:

She never, however, allowed the shock to
truer friends for her. Above all, to the
"Changeless One," where, indeed, all must

OLD WORLD MONSTERS.

In the city of Cambridge, three miles
from Boston, is a Museum of Comparative
Zoology. Here are collected curiosities from

Many boys and girls visit this place, yet
thousands there are who cannot see these,

What a name! some young reader may
exclaim. "Megatherium Cuvieri!" How

Well, the name is not larger than the ani-
mal, for that, from the nose to the tip of the

Each leg, when covered with
flesh and skin must have been larger than
the body of a man. Prof. Dana says, "Its

And first, we think that the two front
bones, upon closer examination, the two front

The Megatherium Cuvieri belongs to the
Sloth tribe and was found in South America.
Twelve or fourteen species have been found

We can imagine this slow monster, rais-
ing his head fifteen feet, cropping the
limbs of the trees, and then, kneeling on

A species of the Megatherium has been
found in Georgia, at Skidaway Island, and
another species in Virginia, at Big Bone

The animals of the Post Tertiary period
were much larger than those now found on
the earth. In Great Britain and other

When man came upon the earth, animal life
became less in size, more compact, and more
perfect. The earth assumed a new appear-

Wisely has the mind of the great, think-
ing, All-seeing Ruler and Master moulded
the plastic forms.—The Student and School-

UNDERSOLD HIMSELF.

Old Jacob J. was a shrewd Quaker
merchant in Burlington, N. J., and, like all
shrewd men, was often a little too smart for

An old Quaker lady of Bristol, just over
the river, bought some goods at Jacob's store,

"Oh! now," said he, again, "I could have
sold you those goods for so much a yard,"

"Well, then, thy young man must have
made a mistake," for I bought the goods at

Jacob being thus cornered, could of course,
under the circumstances, have no objection

Oh! now, where did you get
such and such goods? Instead of "Oh!
now, how much did you pay?"

THE CHRISTIAN'S TITLE CLEAR.

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At this season of the year many persons
are securing new houses. And there is a

But if men are anxious about a secure
title to earthly possessions, how much more

Some professed Christians have but little as-
surance of hope. They believe salvation

Listen now a moment, troubled friends,
to that trumpet voice which rings out from

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deed to a genuine Christian inheritance
which are equally precious with the one
just quoted. Look at this one—"you who

Happy is he who, having given his heart,
and life to Jesus, can look over his title, and

Through the love of Christ my Saviour,
All will be well;
Firm, unchanging in His favor

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Will you listen to me?

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will not be noticed till he becomes notice-
able; he will not become noticeable until he
does something to prove that he is of some

The next lesson is that of patience. A
man must learn to wait as well as to work,
and to be content with those means of ad-

Let this, then, be understood at starting:
that the patient conquest of difficulties
which rise in the regular and legitimate

THE REDBREAST.

"A robin," says Mr. Jesse, "lately began
its nest in a myrtle, which was placed in the

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