

The Home Circle.

Conducted by Mrs. HARRIET T. CLARKE.

Life's West Window.

We stand at life's west window,
And think of the days that are gone;
Remembering the coming sunset;

THE LITTLE CABIN IN THE PRAIRIE.

Woman's Love.

Woman's love is a dangerous thing;
And often fatal, too.

THE FAMILY.

There lived, in Illinois, in 1834, near
a little inland village, a family, who, in
poverty's low vale, eked out a hard, al-

THE SCENE CHANGES.

Jordan works out and buys six sheep.
And, oh, what comfort! The wool from
the sheep Ma and Martha card, with a
pair of hand wool-cards.

THE PIONEERS.

Hard was their lot, hard was their
fare—though full of adventure and
chivalry. And it is to these hardy spirits
it we owe the settlement and reclama-

THE RIFLE AND THE AX.

With the one, foes were conquered
and game procured; with the other, a
way was cut and 'blazed.' Civilization,

THE DEMON, DRINK.

The father, Bill Lisk, was a drunken
debauchee, a worthless vagabond;
though he had been a fine-looking, in-

THE CABIN IN THE PRAIRIE.

Here, the winters were cold, and
snowy, and the winds intensely pen-
etrating and chilly. They lived in a

between the logs were chinked with
pieces of wood, and daubed with mud.
Here, in the cold prairie, where the
winds blew and the snows fell, existed,

"Oh, God! have mercy on the poor!"
often fell from the lips of the wo-
stricken woman. How she wove, how
she toiled, and struggled up through
poverty's cold vale, few knew, and
none have ever recorded.

As the poor woman labors on, in a
faith that never forsakes her, events
thicken, and causes operate for the
better; her situation improves; she,

The little boys, Jordan, John, and
Peter, poor little fellows, are growing.
Jordan, the eldest, now fourteen, is a
stay to Ma, and a prop to the children.

TABLE FOWLS.

There is considerable difference in the merits of
the different breeds of fowls for table,
although taste has much to do in deter-

MARTHA.

Martha was now grown, intellectual
and beautiful. Her form was faultless.
She was graceful, and peculiarly fasci-

MARTHA AS A MARKET-GIRL.

Martha often walked to the village,
two miles—nothing for her to do—car-

rying a little basket of eggs, or butter,
to market. She thus became acquaint-
ed with all the merchants and citizens
to whom she sold her eggs and butter.

A NEW FEATURE.

But there was another love which,
until lately, she had never known. She
was entering upon a new life.

MARTHA WAS IN LOVE.

Oh, the love of woman! how strong,
deep, and soul-stirring! Love entranc-
es the world. It sparkles in the dew-

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CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

The Baby Boys.

Two little baby boys I own;
The elder scarcely walks alone;
His sunny hair and large brown eyes,

Through the Dark Continent.

The book of explorations in Africa by
Henry M. Stanley, published by Har-
per Brothers, and styled "Through the

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turn to take a last look at our people,
and say to them:

"Boys, be firm as iron; wait until
you see the first spear, and then take
good aim. Don't fire all at once. Keep

Our blood is up now. It is a murder-
ous world, and we feel for the first time
that we hate the filthy, vulturous

The difficulties of travel that beset
the explorer are graphically related
in the following extract:

The constant slush and reek which
the heavy dews caused in the forest
through which we had traveled the

The faces of the people, Arabs,
Wangwana, Wanyamwezi and the
escort were quite a study at this camp.

The path presented myriapeds, black
and brown, six inches in length; white
beetles were innumerable, and armies

The difficulties of such travel as we
had now commenced may be imag-
ined when a short march of six

The terrible undergrowth that here
engrossed all the space under the shade
of the pillard bombax and mast-like

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