

Family Circle.

A STILL DAY IN AUTUMN.

BY MRS SARAH HELEN WHITMAN. I love to wander through the woodlands hoary, In the soft gloom of an autumnal day, When summer gathers up her robes of glory, And like a dream of beauty, glides away.

THE LITTLE KING BIRD.

You may call Miss Jenny Wren a little shrew, if you please; but she can't begin to keep up with the little King-bird, after her nest is made. Then, from a very peacable, comfortable bird, she changes into a little fury, almost—out of love for her pretty little birdlings, you will understand.

THE CHRISTIAN WIFE.

"Let her be a child of God, that she bring with her a blessing to thy house. A blessing above riches, and leading contentment in its train." "Bradley, I wish I was as pleasantly situated as you are," said Albert Collins, springing up from the lounge in his friend's study; and walking to the window, he stood tapping idly on the sash.

I certainly shall if I ever marry; but somehow I don't see many young ladies that exhibit anything more than the form of godliness. Well, thank God, I found one. Sit down and let me tell you a little story. I'm in just the mood. You remember Lanny was very young when I offered her my heart and hand, but I probably never occurred to you that this was the Christian element in her character that made her so superior to her associates and gave her so much power over one much older than herself. I was not myself aware of it until a few months before we were married. I had not seen her for nearly a year, and during that time I was exposed to dangerous associations—Maynard and Danforth—you have heard me speak of them.

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