

## LESSON 132.

Study the picture of the "Princes in the Tower," their likeness, dress, attitude and expression. Then read and discuss the story.

The two princes were nephews of Richard III., King of England. The elder was the rightful heir to the throne, and indeed was proclaimed King under the title of Edward V. Their uncle, a cruel and deformed tyrant, confined them in the Tower of London on the Thames, and usurped the throne. Sir James Lyall, by the King's orders, was given the keys of the tower for one night. He employed two murderers, who at midnight entered the chamber where the innocent children were sleeping and smothered them under the bedclothes. They laid the naked bodies on the bed and fetched Sir James to see them. By his orders they were buried at the foot of the stairs under a great heap of stones.

*Write the story.*