

him to another term of three years in the Reformatory, and he was got out of the way for the time being.

What kind of a place is this Reformatory, and is it the best means of saving these motherless street boys? was a thought that continually presented itself in the days that followed. So far as ordinary indications went the institution had done very little for Tim. It had given him no mother to stop the aching of his heart, unexpressed but vaguely realized, no true companionship, no one to lovingly interpret for him the why and wherefore of it all.

Tim served his second term of three years, was again returned to Toronto, and being still without home or friends, was caught in a week or two going through the clothing in a boarding house. Since then he has served numerous terms in jail and in the Central Prison; and as he is a comparatively young man, he will undoubtedly serve many more unless he gets accidentally killed. His offences are of a petty larceny order, so the chances of his being given one long term are remote.

SOCIETY'S ATTITUDE.

In a newspaper experience of several years, and dealing largely with criminal matters, hundreds of cases were brought under my observation in which unfortunate children, born and bred in crime, were, by crude methods of punishment,