

A YOUNG GIRL'S LETTER.

There were many notes of good wishes in the packages of Xmas Cards that were sent last winter for Trinidad, by the young people of Ontario, etc. One of them was as follows :—

“J — — would like to say, ‘God bless you.’ I often think of you who are so far away from home and friends and pray that your labors may be a blessing to many, and that through your instrumentality many may be brought to their Saviour. I wish I could help you in some way but I am only a young girl and have little spending money, but I wish to act in accordance with this prayer :—

Take my life and let it be,
Consecrate'd Lord to thee.

May the Lord ever bless and keep you from all evil.”

Such letters make glad. Do not fear to send them, only do not put your letters in a parcel of cards. The law does not allow it, and fines heavily for it when found out. Send the packages of cards by book post, and mail your letters separately. You can always be sure you are doing some good when you write a sympathetic letter to a missionary

New Hebrides Children. Contrast their teaching with yours. With them, before the Gospel comes to them, crimes of all kinds are common. The parents practice all that is bad. They are taught to lie, and it is more common than truth. Their parents will teach them to steal, and praise them when they do it expertly and successfully, just as your parents sometimes praise you for well doing. They are not taught nor expected to respect their parents. Cruelty and bloodshed are common everyday things. Instead of being taught forgiveness they are taught to revenge, and never to let an injury rest until it is revenged, and they even take pains to preserve the memory of injuries to after-generations. As a rule they have no word for forgiveness in their language.

How different is it with you. You are taught to be honest and true, to respect your parents, to be kind and forgiving. We cannot

expect that they will grow up to be anything but bad, for they are taught that way, and you should not grow up anything but good since that is your teaching. What are you doing to send to them the teaching of Christ that will make them truthful and pure and good?

How they help others. The children of the Indian Industrial School at Regina, in the North-West Territories, are making good progress. They are now studying the International S. S. Lessons which you learn from week to week. They are learning to give also; they take up a collection regularly in their Sabbath School, and what do you think they do with it? They are not merely learning the truth, but are deeply interested in the heathen children from over the seas, who have never heard of Christ, and they mean to devote their money to the support of a native missionary in some foreign land.

BRAVE UGANDA BOYS.

The martyrs did not all belong to days of old. In Uganda, only nine years ago, where the Gospel had only been preached for a few years, there was cruel persecution; but the boys suffered bravely and would not give up their faith. The following awful picture is copied from a paper before us: “Christian boys were bound alive to a scaffolding and slowly burnt to death. These boys amid the fires raised their voices in hymns of praise to Christ—singing till their shriveled tongues could utter no more.”

The boys who read this will not have to suffer in that way, but some of them will have to endure being laughed at, if they stand for the right. If these poor Africans just brought in from heathenism, could stand so bravely for the right, surely our boys will not be

“Ashamed to own their Lord
Or to defend His cause,
Maintain the glory of His cross
And honor all His laws.”

And if mission work can gather such boys from heathenism what an encouragement it is to us to send them the Gospel.