

IN RELATION TO BOYS.

DORCHESTER, Co., Dec. 7, 1865.

In regard to W. A., I must say that his whole course of conduct during the past year has been a source of much pleasure and gratification to not only myself, but also to all with whom he has been thrown in contact. He has received one-quarter's schooling at a good school, and was required to attend Sabbath school, but owing to a very decided antipathy on his part to mixing with or forming any acquaintances, in the judgment of myself and family it was thought that he should not be forced or required to do what seemed more a trial than a pleasure. His moral disposition and habits are good. His teacher's report of him was a good one, and my own observation is that he has a mind susceptible of improvement. At his employment he rarely forgets how the different crops are planted, worked and saved. His character for industry is good, for obedience unexceptionable, for truthfulness not as good as I would like to report. Last summer he had nearly the whole of my marketing to dispose of, together with the delivery daily of ice to some 75 or 80 families, and I was unable to detect in him the slightest dereliction of duty, or in not making the proper returns of moneys which came into his hands. I have employed on my farm two white men who came recommended very highly; of the three W. is much the most trusty and reliable.

J. R. G.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 1, 1865.

I have the pleasure to inform you that F. P. is yet with me. I have nothing to add or alter of the testimony that I have uniformly borne to his faithfulness, industry and intelligence during the six years he has been in my employ. He attends Sabbath school and church regularly; and is honest, truthful and of good morals generally.

J. R.