

MY SON, IF SINNERS ENTICE THEE, CONSENT THOU NOT.

tion, thoughtfulness and strict integrity.

The dignity of labor, the value of perseverance, the excellence of truthfulness, the pleasures of knowledge, the supreme benefits of Scripture study and of private prayer—these are topics which should be enforced and illustrated alike by precept and example.

The desire of the Y. M. C. A. is to lend a helping hand in this great work, and accordingly there has been organized in connection with many of the principal associations a "Boy's Branch."

The form of organization and method of working differs in almost every Association, but all are united in making the salvation of the Boys to be the great end ever to be kept in view.

The Boy's work in connection with our Association was commenced in the month of May, 1873, and at the Annual Meeting held in October of the same year, a Boy's Committee was added to the list of regular committees. The first Chairman was Mr. (now Rev.) Dyson Hague. The chairmanship was assigned to different persons each year until 1879 when Mr. Charles (more familiarly known to the boys as Charlie) Edwards, took charge and was retained in office until his departure for New York in 1882. Under his direction the work was well sustained, and his departure was regretted by all. The work is now under the charge of Mr. J. J. Findlay, and is progressing as favorably as could well be expected. We hope that in the proposed alterations in our building the claims of the Boy's Branch will not be forgotten.

THE BEGINNING AND THE END.



A MAN who had committed murder, was tried, found guilty, and condemned to be hung. A few days before his execution, he drew upon the walls of his prison, a gallows, with five steps leading up to it.

On the first step he wrote, *DISOBEDIENCE TO PARENTS.*

On the second step he placed *Sabbath breaking.*

On the third step, — *Gambling and Drunkenness.*

On the fourth step, — *Murder,* and upon the fifth step, — *The Fatal Platform.*

Boys, be sure you never take the first step, Many young boys imagine that *doing as they like* is manly, It can never result in good, for it is contrary to God's command. "OBEY YOUR PARENTS."

MY SON, BE ADMONISHED.