



## LEADING.

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HERE are different kinds of leading. You may lead one by the hand, or by the arm, as in the case of the boy in the engraving. But there is another kind of leading of far greater importance. It is leading the mind—inducing one to do right or to do wrong. Hiram and Lewis Rodgers were on their way to Sunday-school.

They worked hard on the farm during the week, and wore very plain clothes. When Sunday came they put on clean and neat attire, and went to the Sunday-school, which was held at the church about a mile distant from the farm.

On their way they passed by a meadow abounding in wild strawberries. In that meadow they saw Alfred Hine, a lad a year or two younger than they were. He was the son of parents who were well off, but who never went to church, nor required their children to go. Every Sunday morning Alfred was dressed in his best clothes, and permitted to go where he pleased. He seldom went to church, and had never been seen in the Sunday-school.

When the boys saw him in the meadow, Hiram said, "Let us get Alfred to go to Sunday-school to day."

"I don't believe we can do it, Lewis."

"There can be no harm in trying. He is dressed well enough to go anywhere. Good morning, Alfred, won't you step this way?"

"Won't you come here and get some strawberries?"

"No, I thank you; we want you to go with us."

Alfred was fond of society, and liked the idea of going somewhere. He found Sundays rather lonesome.

"Where are you going?" said he, coming toward the road.

"We are going to a good place and want you to go with us. We would like to have as well dressed and good looking a fellow as you go with us."

"Tell me where you are going?" said he, well pleased with the compliment.

"We are going to Sunday-school."

"Sunday-school! I don't go to Sunday-school. Father says there is nothing learned there."

"Your father hasn't been there. You just go with us and see."

"I thought Sunday-schools were made for those who were too poor to pay tuition on week days."

"You are mistaken. Who do you regard as the richest man in town?"