

to sound their trumpets, and to announce, in words that might be heard in every cell of the condemned, the proclamation of the king. It was a declaration of free forgiveness, on the simple conditions that every rebel should come out from the prison, and on his knees, before the prince, confess his crime, and ask pardon for his offence.

The good tidings were music in the ears of some. They hastened, with tears in their eyes, to the prince's feet; they acknowledged their transgression; and were pardoned.

There were others within the prison, however, who would not thus humble themselves. They would rather die than confess they had done wrong. Submit to ask his pardon! Never! There was nothing to hinder them. No material obstacle lay between them and the prince. The way was clear. The impossibility was in their own hearts. They *could not*, because they *would not*. They each died rather than yield to receive pardon from their king."

It was just dislike of God and hatred of His Son to which Jesus referred in the texts quoted above, and which this old parable illustrates. The same inability, because of unwillingness, exists still. Pardon to the guilty is proclaimed by the Gospel, and *whosoever will* may come and get forgiveness and eternal life, "without money and without price."

If we come not to Christ's feet, and thus secure the free gift of eternal life, the fault will be our own. The "*cannot*" will, in our case, be truly a "*will not*;" and we shall have to lament for ever, because of our wickedness in refusing to embrace the opportunity of salvation.

## YOUNG MEN'S MEETING

Every Saturday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

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## BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12.

Bible Class at 3 p.m., and Gospel and Song Service at 8.30, followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15. All invited.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13.

12 noon.—Thanksgiving and Praise Meeting. The Secretary.  
8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS. Conducted by the Secretary  
9 p.m.—Young Men's Prayer and Testimony Meeting.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Indifference to Our Fellow-Men Condemned. Ezek. xxxiv. 1-15. Rev. J. Salmon.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15.

12 to 12.45 noon.—The Great Peril in Man's Future Distinctly Set Forth. Matt. xiii. 47-50. J. J. Gartshore.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16.

12 to 12.45 noon—A Christian Teacher Taught. 2 Tim. ii. 15, 24-26; iii. 14-17. S. R. Briggs.  
8 p.m.—WORKER'S TRAINING CLASS. The Secretary.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Forgive "Even as God Hath Forgiven You." Matt. xviii. 23-35. R. Merryfield.  
7.30 p.m.—BOYS MEETING.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Some Reasons Why Prayers are Not Answered. Ps. lxxvi. 18; Prov. xxviii. 9. Assistant Secretary.  
7.15 p.m.—Invitation Committee Meets for Prayer.  
8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. J. W. Walker.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19.

3.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Bible Class H. B. Gordon.  
" Deaf Mute Class. F. S. Brigden.  
" Chinese Class. W. M. Morse.  
" Italian Class.

8.30 p.m.—Gospel and Song Service G. T. Fergusson. Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15. Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Sec'y.

### Railway Men's Meeting.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12.

3 p.m.—Union Station. R. Connors and R. Johnston.

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