SPURGEON MEMORABILIA.

NTERESTING AND INSTRUCTIV REMINISCENES OF THE GREAT PREACHER,

His Puritan Descent-A Hallowed Oaktree-Youthful Questionings-An In-Bank of Faith.

Haddon Spurgeon have been laid away and earnest care with which she trained in the grave, to await the resurrection, up her children have been abundantly rethe interest of the Christian community warded. Speaking one day to her son on both sides of the Alantic, lingers Charles of her solicitude for the best inlovingly on the dead pastor's memory. terest of all her children, she said, "Ah, Biographers here and abroad are busily Charles I often prayed that you might be preparing their volumes of reminiscenes saved, but never that you should become and anecdotes of the great Baptist divine, a Baptist." To this Charles replied, "The whose pulpit utterances published weekly | Lord has answered your prayer with his in The Watchman for many years have usual bounty, and given you more than endeared him to our readers everywhere. you asked.' We are permitted to select from advanced sheets of two of these biographies, the very interesting and characteristic passages printed below:

THE SPURGEON FAMILY.*

When Fedinand Alvarez, Duke of Alva died, in 1589, his wicked boast, that he had sent to the executioners no less than the Book of Revelation which mentions eighteen thousand persons, was not for- the bottomless pit, I paused and said gotten. That number represented the 'Grandpa, what can this mean?' The actual martyrs of the faith; but there answer was kind but unsatisfactory, 'Pooh were many thousands who had been pooh, child, go on !' The child intended, driven into exile, large numbers of whom however, to have an explanation, and found a home in England. Among these | therefore selected the same chapter mornand left their mark upon society. Everywhere they were industrious, honorable, pious people. It is not difficult to see, even in Mr. Spurgeon's physique, a resemblance to these godly Dutchman, while in other respects he has proved himself a worthy son of the noble sires, who, driven from their homes by cruel persecutions, carried with them the faith that was dearer to them than life itself.

One of the Essex branch of the family, Job Spurgeon, was a prisoner in Chelmsford jail at the time John Bunyun was lying in Bedford jail, and for the same cause-faithful adherence to his conscientious convictions. For fifteen weeks, in bitterly severe weather, he lay on a pallet of straw without any fire. His descendant had an easier lot outwardly, but he was not lacking in the same spirit of Christian heroism; and he, also, has had his share of suffering for the truth's sake, both in the firce ordeal through which he had to pass in the early years of his ministry in London, and in his continued contention for "the faith once for all delivered to the saints." It is related that quite early in his career in London, Mr. C. H. Spurgeon was introduced, in a bookseller's shop in Paternoster Row, to a Mr. John Spurgeon, a descendent of the Norfolk branch of the family. On comparing notes of their respected ancestors, the same piety, righteousness and loyalty to the truth, were found to have characterized them on both sides.

A HALLOWED OAK.

Some interesting anecdotes of his grandfather have been recorded by Mr. Spurgeon, and others may be found in his at the Tabernacle, May 28, 1889, Mr. printed sermons. Here is one entitled Spurgeon said: "I was a member of the youth, under conviction of sin, he freoak, then only a sapling, he wept and groaned before the Lord, and where, also, he received the gift of faith to believe on the Lord Jesus, and enter upon the enjoyment of peace with God. It was a lonely spot, but it was to him a heaven. He often resorted thither for meditation, prayer and praise.

writes the grandson, "having to go from Coggeshall to Halstead, his route lay near the hallowed spot. On the night previous he dreamed very vividly that Satan appeared to him, and threatened to tear him | home to tea." to pieces if he dared to go along that footpath, and pray under the oak as he had to his face. My grandfather then a young man went on cheerily enough till he came to the stile where the two paths diverged, then a horrible fear came upon him, and he felt his heart beat fast. fiend, and should find him too strong for him, what then! Better take the farmyard path. No, that would be yielding to Satan, and he would not do that for ten thousand worlds. He plucked up courage with fere-bodings. The oak was in sight, from God, you'll get them if you don't the sweat was on his face, the pace quickened, a dash was made and the tree was grasped, and there was no Satan there.

father had it make into my grandmother's the first one he opened there was a banker's express robbery near Utica last September. wedding ring, in memory of the spot so letter's to this effect: "Dear sir—We The sheriff showed the ear to I'erry and dear to him.

A MOTHER'S PRAYER.

The mother of Charles H. Spurgeon, troduction After Communion-The who passed away a few weeks ago, was Devil and Horse-racing--The Lord's known and esteemed for her sincere piety Christian humility and various works of usefulness in connection with the cause of Although the mortal remains of Charles the Redeemer. The prayerful solicitude

A BOY'S QUESTION.

"When I was a small boy," writes Mr. Spurgeon, "I was staying at my grandfather's, where I had aforetime spent my earliest days, and as the manner was, I read the Scriptures at family prayer. Once apon a time, when reading the passage in

A SOLEMN TESTIMONY FROM PASTOR SPUR-

It was printed in THE WATCHMAN at that time, and is now republised as not only long and successful ministry:

much more to say. I can only pray the Lord to give you to believe in Him. If I present unbelieving Church; nothing but firm faith in the grand old doctrines of grace, and in the ever-living and unchang-Christ; nothing but faith in the Lord Jesus can save you or me. The Lord give you, my brothers, to believe to the utmost degree, for His name's sake! Amen."

AN INCIDENT AT SIXTEEN.

At a meeting of ministers and deacons quently repaired to a wood in Honeywood to the church at Cambridge. I attended Park, where, especially under a certain for three Lord's Days at the Communion and nobody spoke to me. I sat in a pew with a gentleman and when we got outside I said: 'My dear friend, how are you?' He said: 'You have the advantage of me; Bethel, the house of God and the gate of came to the Lord's table and partook of the memorials of his death, I thought you were my brother and I thought I would "Some time after this conversion," speak to you.' I was only sixteen and he said to me: 'Sweet simplicity.' 'Oh, sir day Journal. is it true?' I said, 'Is it true?' He said: 'It is ; but I am glad you did not say this to any of the deacons.' He asked me

A man once said to him, "I do more Peace Theodore Fries this afternoon at been wont to do. The evil one reminded good in the world than you do. You 2 o'clock and held for the grand jury. him that if he took the farmyard path all only propagate your own opinions and I When Perry and the deputy were about would go well with him. When my run race-horses." "Then perhaps you to leave the court room for the courty jail granfather awoke, the impression on his will answer me a riddle, to which I have Perry's father, Oliver H. Perry, came mind was overpowering, and he reasoned never yet received an answer. Why does hurrying in from the railroad station from thus with himself: Whether it be a dream not the devil run express trains to hell?" his home in Syracuse. The prisoner seemed or really a temptation from Satan, I can- "I believe in neither the devil nor hell, much affected. Stepping up to him he not tell, but anyhow I will not yield to it, and so I can't answer." "Then I will tell said, "Hello, father," and kissed him. but will show the devil that I will not do you. It is because he finds that men can The father showed much emotion, and the his bidding in anything, but will defy him get there faster by running race-horses."

A YOUNG PASTOR'S ENQUIRY. hurst early in his ministry called on Mr. ported to be doing as well as could be ex-Spurgeon to say that he feared he had pected after the wounds he received in his Suppose he really should meet the arch- made a mistake. "What do you mean?" desperate encounter with Perry on Sunday months and have not heard of any con- and all his symptoms are favorable to reversions." "You don't expect conver- covery sions every time you preach, do you? asked Mr. Spurgeon. "No; I don't ex- Batavia, a daughter of James Lathe, whom and trembling went on. The stile was pect them every time." "Then be it he deserted. leaped, the narrow track through the according to your faith," Mr. Spurgeon wood was trodden with resolution mingled answered. "If you expect great things

Taking breath a moment, the young man his last pound and knew not whence to in some place in Syracuse and which his uttered aloud the exclamation, 'Ah, find the money that was absolutely neces- father promised to secure. cowardly devil! you threatened to tear say for the continuance of the work. He When Perry, senior, left for Syracuse me to pieces, and now you do not dare to mentioned his need to a friend who re- last night he was followed by a detective, show your face.' Then followed a fervent minded him that he had a good banker. who traced him to the place where the prayer and a song of praise, and the "Yes, and I should like to draw upon him satchel had been left. When he left the young man was about to go on his way, now, for I have nothing," replied Mr. house the detective took it from him and

young men.

TO THE SINNERS.

A hymn written by Pastor C. H. Spurgeon Guilty sinner, fly to Jesus; He alone can purge our guilt; From each deadly sin he frees us, 'Twas for this his blood was spilt. Come, and welcome.

Come this moment, if thou wilt. Hopeless sinner, look to Jesus, In his death thy ransom see; From despair his word releases,

High as heaven Are his thoughts of love to thee.

Trust in him and fear shall flee.

Worst of sinners, come to Jesus, He has said he'll cast out none, Come with all thy foul diseases. He can cure them everyone-

And, with wonder, Thou shall sing what grace has done.

Awkward Blunders.

At a certain court of justice an awkward blunder was made by the prisoner in the dock. He was being tried for murder, and the evidence was were the progenitors of the English Spuring after morning, Sunday included, and almost wholly circumstantial, a chief place in East Anglia, some settling in the inquiry. At length the venerable "billycock" pattern that had been found was so affectionately kissed by Perry after place in East Angua, some setting in Police Justice Carver's office | etc., very low. We are making a special drive in Mattrasses. Dutch Christians brought their useful arts ing, 'Well dear, what is it that puzzles which, moreover, was sworn to as the to-day is not his father at all but an with them, and, like the Huguenots from baskets with bottoms, which in course of baskets with bottoms, which in course of baskets with bottoms, which in course of baskets with bottoms, and allowed the patiented upon the commonness of bats. laying the foundations of those various wear became bottomless, and allowed the laying the foundations of those various for the laying the foundations of the laying the foundations of the laying t industries which have ministered to the fruit placed therein to fall upon the of the kind. "You, gentlemen," he cross-country chase are discussed the strength and wealth and prosperity of ground. Here, then, was the puzzle; if said, "no doubt each of you has just greater becomes the wonder at Perry's England. The ancestors of Mr. Spurgeon the pit aforesaid had no bottom, where such a hat as this Beware, then, how astonishing nerve. The crime stands was distinguished alike for their quiet would all the people fall to who had you condemn a fellow-creature on such absolutely alone in the history of highway energy, their business capabilities, and, best of all, their true godliness and best of all, their true godliness and exemplary piety. They made themselves family worship, and had to be laid aside instead of the end the man was acquitted. But there is nothing that compares with it for exemplary piety. They made themselves for explanation at a more convenient just as he was leaving the dock he desperation on the part of the robber or judge and said, "If you please, my lord suit and capture. may I have my 'at?" Not long since events, must now be regarded asprophetic. | the stationer to print "igh tea" in the a running fight between two modern ironleft hand corner of each. When at clads. The two engines backed and filled length the cards came home they all and passed and repassed each other and his approaching end, but giving in a single bore the letters "I.T." in the comer every time they passed each poured a volley comprehensive sentence the essence of his specified. Eugene Sue, again, who in his youth was for some time an amy other with their weapons. The glass "Settle this in your heart: 'Whether I surgeon, one day dired "not wisely, but windows in the cabs of both engines were am up or down, the Lord Jerus is the too well," with his friend Romieu at the smashed in and the frame work around same. My time is ended although I had Cafe de Paris. Afterwards, as they them was riddled with shots. sauntered on the boulevards, Romeu fell and injured his leg. Sue got a cib, this earth, I should like to deliver, as my where he carefully dressed the wound, phuric acid and boiling water and was last confession of faith, this testimony- and then retired to bed. Next morn- scalded to death. He had been married that nothing but faith can save this nine- ing he hastened to examine the wound, but three days. teenth century; nothing but faith can save only to discover that he had tended the England; nothing but faith can save the wrong leg. This reminds us of the Pennsylvania railroad near Nicetown, Pa., story of an absent-minded doctor in an yesterday Engineer Rogers, Fireman old-fashioned north country town, in Freese and Brakeman Walker and Foyle ing God can bring back to the Church which resided a local 'character' whose again a full tide of prosperity, and make means of locomotion consisted of a pair her to be the deliverer of the nations for of wooden legs. Having contracted a severe cold, this man remained in bed of boys found a keg of dynamite frozen in one day and sent for the doctor, to whom, in common with all the inhabi- explosion followed, which blew the kicker tants of the place, he was perfectly 10 feet into the air and knocked down the the absent-minded physician impressed the keg may die. on his patient the necessity of bathing under "Under the Oak Tree." While a church at Newmarket when I first joined his feet in water "as hot as he could the church and was afterward transferred bear it." It often happens that people who get married send reports of the ceremony to the newspapers. Owing to some blunder, no doubt, half a column detailing the nuptial rite, the dresses, and the presents of a couple in a hum-I dont't know you.' I said: I don't think | bie line of life in London was recently I have for I don't know you; but when I inserted in a conspicuous position in a leading Glasgow paper, to the amazement of the public and the intense aunoyance of the editor .- Cassell's Satur-

Robber Perry Committed.

Lyons, N. Y., Feb. 24.—Oliver Curtis Perry, the noted American express train robber, was arraigned before Justice of the

prisoner seeing it said, "Don't cry, father, it will be all right.'

A young preacher named T. W. Med- Express Messenger McInerney is re-"Well, I've been preaching for five or six morning. He rested quietly yesterday,

It is reported that Perry has a wife at

PART OF THE PLUNDER FOUND. Yesterday afternoon, when the man who represents himself as the father of Oliver Curtis Perry visited him at the county jail, the prisoner seemed very anxious re-He often related how he had come to garding a hand satchel which he had left

when his eye was caught by something Spurgeon. "Well, how do you know? brought it to Lyons this morning. When shining on the ground. It was a ring, a Have you prayed about it?" 'Yes, I it was examined, among the contents was

very large ring, and it was solid gold. have." "Well, then, leave it to him, found the ear of a human being, which Have you opened your letters?" "No, I was preserved in alcohol and enclosed in a don't open my letters on Sunday." "Well class bottle, and two hands of gold batter. guess. Enquiries were made; but no don't open my letters on Sunday." "Well, glass bottle, and two bands of gold batterguess. Enquiries were made, out no open them for once." He did so, and in ed from some of the jewelry stolen in the

beg to inform you that a lady totally un- asked him where he got it. He stated known to us has left with us two hundred that he cut it from a colored man's head pounds for you to use in the education of and intended to use it as an ornament on his mantel at home. Still he was very think that he is playing in hard luck.

AN AFFECTIONATE FATHER.

Another suspicious occurrence took place at the same corridor door this evening after the prisoner returned from the Police Court. He was accompanied to the jail by his father, who was admitted.

The deputy-sheriff detected the prisoner pass a scrap of paper through the iron bars to his father. After the conversation had been finished Collins requested the elder Perry to step into the office, proceeded to the scrap of paper, and on it was drawn an exact outline of the key which unlocks the corridor door.

Jerry Collins is of the opinion that the prisoner expected to have a key made by his father which would fit the lock and after opening the corridor door, to file the heavy steel bar which is on the outside and to which is attached a padlock out of reach from the inside. During the visit his father gave him some canned fruit and granges. They were taken from him after his father's departure and will be examined for the purpose of ascertaining whether anything is concealed inside of them.

Persons connected with the jail seem to entertain the opinion that the man who

Never before, probably, in the world combatants could almost have clubbed each

At Delray, Mich., yesterday Perry Ma-

By the explosion of a locometive on the were horribly scalded. Freese died in the suit everyone. afternoon and the others may die.

the ice and proceeded to make a bonfire of it. One boy kicked the keg and an his more limited means.

Farm Dets.

It, with the sharp competition they must meet, our manufacturers showed as little intelligence as farmers do, they would every one be bankrupt in a single year.-Waldo F. Brown in New York Tribune.

A churn should never be more than half full of cream, to insure which it should not be quite half full before starting, for after a few revolutions the cream swells to the extent of considerably increasing its bulk.

The Churches.

METHODIST, Cambridge St.-Rev. T. M Campbell. Pastor. Services at 11 A.M. and 7.00 P. M. Sabbath School and Bible Class at 2.30, Classes at 10 A.M. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday at 8 P. M. Young People's Christian Endeavor Society, every Friday evening at 7.30

METHODIST, Queen Street.-Rev. Newton Hill, Pastor. Services at 11.00 A. M. and 7.00 P. M. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Praver Meeting Thursday at 7.30 P. M.

APTIST, Cambridge Street.-Rev. W. K. at 7.30 P. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday at 7.30 P. M .- All seats free.

St. Mary's (Roman Catholic) Russel Street Sabbath School at 3.30 P. M.

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Art in the household and beauty in the ordinary surroundings in In the last sermon he ever delivered at the Metropolitan Tabernacle, Mr. Spur. | a London lady went to a stationer and tween the two flying locomotives, the one tween the two flying locomotives, the one plant of the human mind and to realize with the desperate criminal and the elevators of the human mind and to realize with the desperate criminal and the elevators of the human mind and to realize with the desperate criminal and the elevators of the human mind and to realize with the desperate criminal and the elevators of the human mind and to realize with the desperate criminal and the elevators of the human mind and to realize with the desperate criminal and the elevators of the human mind. geon uttered the remarkable passage given which she proposed to issue for an evenbelow, which in the light of subsequent | ing party. She particularly instructed | were pursuing him. It was in a way like | nificent show rooms of the old established furniture house of Messrs.

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A walk through those spacious show rooms is a revelation; in fact should rever again have the pleasure of put his friend in, and drove home, speaking for my Lord upon the face of put his friend in, and drove home, terson, 30 years old, fell into a vat of sultheir line. Such must necessarily be the reflections of anyone who pays a visit to this firm's prominent establishment and makes a tour of nspection through their attractive warerooms.

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