

Correspondence.

A DREAM OF TOBACCO.

"I would advise you," said my friend, "to invest your money in the tobacco business. You have three hundred, you say, and that will not go far towards supporting your family in case you should be disabled—preachers never make money very fast—and you want it where it will increase the fastest and be safe.

had cigarettes in their mouths, except those who were continually chewing something, which I supposed to be gum. Upon arriving at the home of my friend I saw that every one in the station-house was smoking or chewing; and as we passed through the refreshment saloon I saw over the bar, in large letters, "NICOTINE CHEWING GUM," and the children came in great numbers with their pennies and bought it. Some of the little girls, otherwise beautiful, had teeth as yellow as any old choker, and were spitting continually and their handkerchiefs were stained with the juice they had wiped from the corners of their mouths.

more or less to that interest. He then began to advocate its claims with much enthusiasm, and at the end said, "You will get along in us. These old superstitions, as I call them, will pass away and all the world will be united under our brotherhood." He said I would find it for my interest to belong to them, that it was often of great assistance to ministers in finding churches even where they had not formally adopted tobacco principles, as the persistent praise of a few Nicotians did much to produce a favorable impression in a society, that there were stores, hotels and railroads where the rates were cheaper to Nicotians, and that they had been obliged to maintain their own interests in the courts and in elections, on account of the violent opposition of a fanatical portion of the people in some parts.

binding on the part of the more religious persons of the congregation in putting away their pipes and cigars. (though some young men merely bowed their heads without removing their pipes and the pastor having previously fortified himself by a stout "chew" from a box on the inside of the pulpit near the match-safe offered an appropriate prayer.

of the former, but out of favoritism to the latter. For some years after this, the relations of this Dependency to Kolapoor were undisturbed. In all emergencies of war its chief brought his stipulated force to the aid of the Kolapoor king, and his rank entitled him to command a fourth part of the whole Kolapoor army.

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