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A DREAM OF TOBACCO.

"I would advise you," said my friend, "to in vest 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.

"We have made twenty-five per cent. every year on the capital invested, for four years, and our little Tihy at home may never chew towill manage yours for nothing and give you the same chance. At that rate it would double very often. More than that, we will secure you by a:

"You are very kind; but to speak frankly, I do not like the pusiness. It is not such as I would enter upon myself, and I think it would be house. better if there were no tobacco used: . (It is an mind, and if so is a useless and vast-expense."

much as it does food ... Many object to the use of tea and coffee, but nearly all the world use it, and it seems natural, yet it stimulates. The world cannot, well, get along without tobacco. It keeps off the effects of unhealthy climates and the diseases that come from them; and they say that in the army all the soldiers had to use it, and the dactors advised, it. I can show you as strong, and healthy men as ever, lived that smoke and chew Most of our professional men use the weed. Our minister, Dr. Spittoon, smokes every day, and can't write or preach without it?" Ing. reorbini """" Yes, I. know all these things. But I consider tea and coffee quite different from tobacco. in degree at least, if not in kind, But it may be I have been too strenuous: You say you have cleared twenty five per cent. every year,"

"We cleared fifty per cent. the first year, and could clear much more than we do now, if it were not for the frauds on the revenue by other factories." The sector of the four case of each dold w

Well, I will think the matter over. We'll not dispute on this point. Smoke while you are to help ministers?" He immediately offered me here as much as you please ... I think I can conceive how a man might be entirely conscientious embarrassing it was becoming; made an explanain using it and manufacturing it." Housing

"We try to be, I'm sure. We are not to be blamed for the abuse. You never smoke?" "Oh, no. I hope I never shall."

That day I had the subject on my mind, continually ... I was reckoning up mentally in round numbers the profits of the proposed investment. Gain of \$75 the first year-\$94 the second-\$117 the third-almost doubles by that time-might siderable fraction of the strength; of all the tofully, if business should improve.

When I prayed that night and asked for guidance, my mind was on the tobacco venture, and

We were crowded into an omnibus where every one was smoking, and I could hardly breathe. A often. More than that, we will secure you by a gentleman sitting near me politely offered a cigar, mortgage on the factory building, which we all and upon my declining, he asked me if I never ways keep insured." noticed that all stared at me, and some smiled with a sneering, pitying, look My, friend was

Here the parlor into which I was ushered had my opinion, always injurious to the body and the the close' smell of confined tobacco smoke, and hall, were an insignificant body in wealth and "Oh, donitized that, Afohacoo never injured any body when used as it should be, ... You would not refuse to sell meat because some eat too much inner all the family sat awhile and smoked, and to select the right man for them, had given thin and made gluttons of themselves. After all the i observed that the servant who brought in the antinxitation to candidate, after which they made system seems to need some kind of stimulant as that at that the servant who her mouth. My hostess showed me an elegant meerschaum mounted time he had not embraced their peculiar doctrine in gold which she had received as a Christmas 'in all its fulness, and that, though he was a great present from her husband, and the little girl smoker, he had several times broken off and had offered me some sticks to chew and to take home to my little Tiny. But I had to tell her that we never used tobacco, and I confess that it gave me more embarrassment than nt did to decline the cigar offered in the omnibus. The little sprite ran to her mother, in the next room and said, "What a funny man Uncle William is! He never uses tobacco. I should think he'd be sick all the time. That is what makes him so pale. 'You told me when we first began that we must -not mind the taste and feeling sick; but that if we did not learn how we would be sick a great deal, and may be dier, just as old Mr. Stiff did." Her mother hushed her, and tried to explain the matter politely. The child was silent, but looked at me with a peculiar expression of suspicion and wonder of the past and past with which wonder

Soon after my friend came in and invited me to walk to the factory. He introduced me to the other partner, who received me with respect, and when the matter of the investment was mentioned. 'readily assented, and said he was 'et always ready the inevitable cigar, and my friend, seeing how tion and the matter was dropped. I was shown through the great building, saw the engine of forty horse power that drove the machinery, saw the various processes, sorting and stemming the leaf, putting it into the press preparatory to cutting, it: for chewing, and the rolling of the leaf for impregnating the gum. It was remarked that this was an improvement which saved a con-

was good Lintended to abstain from the use of it. Here the interview ended and Mr. Spittoon debaccograised, and noissignal out and international inter-I noticed in the packing room curious names on the boxes. For gums there were fancy, atparted. Happening to be alone in another part of the tractive hames, such as Breath of June, May Flowers, Newblown (Appletree, Tobacco Posy, the workmen say, (" That minister that come with Bride's Delight. For line cut there, were new names, as Sweet Cane, Ice. Gream, Strawberry, Spiced Wine. My friend made good use of his collected wine advantation for "and allocation of his" writes against tobacco. One of the medical procollegiate education for new classical names, fessors had a debate with him, and it was rich. which have been duly copyrighted, as Melliros, Prof. cut him all to pieces: hI have seen the book Glyconia, and 'one,' rather' singular 'to' my taste, of the debates in the library." ... 'fil, should, not wonder if it was the same man," said a third, "for he does not smoke or chew, for I heard the boss say that." "He is going to preach in Dr. Spittoon's church to-morrow. I heard him ask

had cigarettes in their mouths, except those who more or less to that interest. He then began to bushing on the part of the more religious persons were continually chewing something, which I advocate its claims with much entities and of the congregation in putting away their pipes supposed to be gum. Upon arriving at the home of my friend I saw These old superstitions, as I call them, will pass boyed their heads without remaying their pipes that every one in the station house was smoking away and all the world will yet be united under and the pastor having previously fortified himself, or chewing; and as we passed through the re- our brotherhood." He said I would find it for by a stout "chew" from a box on the inside of freshment saloon I saw over the bar, in large let- my interest to belong to them, that it was often the pulpit near the match-safe offered an approters, "NICOTINE CHEWING GUM," and the of great assistance to ministers in finding churches priate prayer. children came in great numbers with their pen- even where they had not formally adopted toto what I ought to do. At intervals Il felt as if nies and bought it. Some of the little girls, oth- bacco principles, as the persistent praise of a few erwise beautiful, had teeth as yellow as any old Nicotians did much to produce a favorable im- it were better to lay aside my manuscript dischewer, and were spitting continually and their pression in a society, that there were stores course and preach out of the abundance of my handkerchiefs were stained with the juice they motels; and mail odds where the rates were cheaper righteous indignation against their unholy prac-had wiped from the corners of their mouth. to Nicotians, and that they had been obliged to tices. There came to my mind the text, "Holi-"God grant," was my inward ejaculation, "that maintain their own interests in the courts and in ness becometh thine house, O Lord, for ever.' elections, on account of the violent opposition of I thought of applying it to what seemed unbea fanatical portion of the people in some parts. coming in church services, and also carrying out

He also informed me that they had formerly had a great deal of trouble in their church, growthe principle in their lives, urging considerations forbidding them to defile the individual members of the house of God, the temple of the soul in ing out of the opposition of the anti-tobacconists. but that others had come into the congregation, which the Spirit dwells. I seemed to have a call who had not before attended there and outvoted of the Spirit to break forth in thunder tones, but them, so that they withdrew, save one sturdy old deacon who thought it was his duty to utter his prudence kept; me back ... I knew what sort of deacon who thought it was his duty to utter his testimony against smoking in prayer-meeting, and he had been expelled for disturbing the peace of Zion. They were then worshipping in a hired the bell the prophets should be subject to the prophets, and though the question was not annoyed, and I was glad when we reached his testimony against smoking in prayer-meeting, and easy to decide, I could not resolve to infringe on when my friend introduced his wife, twho was a numbers, often had no minister and merely held a the courtesy that had extended me the invitation to preach the Gospel unto them. There was a short passage in the sermon concerning the power of evil habits over the moral senses, that I hardly dared to omit, and it produced a smile throughout the room Otherwise they gave me smoking was unabated. Every slip had a match-safe, which was frequently resorted to. present from her husband, and the little girl smoker, he had several times broken off and had "After the sevices were closed there was a brought he makes and had brought he makes booken off and had brought he makes booken of the sabbath school is the several times broken off and had brought he makes booken off and had brought he makes booken off and had brought he had found in her stocking. She seminary. He had, since that time, investigated the superintendent retained this "to hew", and her is the superintendent in the superintendent is the superintendent in the superintendent in the superintendent is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the superintender in the superintender is the superintender in the s the regular S. S. Book publishing houses being read at letter from a missionary supported and willing to print them. " He said he would be glad sent out by the school to propagate their peculiar o present me with copies of these, and wished views..., He had succeeded, in forming a Juvenile very much to have me tead a new German work Tobacco Association, a Ladies' Rights Smoking by the learned Dr. Pfeifenrauchen which he was Phalanx, had laid the foundation of a church on by the learned Dr. Pfeifenrauchen which he was engaged in translating. This author had discov- the Tobacco- Platform already having secured a ered that the name of one of the ingredients used large attendance of those who had not been in in hand. We love sometimes to talk with this in the sacred incense of the Jews had never been the habit of going to church, drawing away from understood nor correctly rendered in any version the other churches, all the male members who of the Bible, ancient or modern, it being really were in the habit of using that plant in any form, tobacco. The plant had not been first introduced in some cases their wives, besides seven unmar-from America as had been supposed, but had ried ladies, some of them mothers in Israel, who Been found growing wild about the head waters snuffed aland 100 her anonen 100 of the Nile, as well as in Southern Arabia where in I could stay no longer in the church, and deit, could not have been introduced in modern clined an invitation to address the school on the

times. He had found that the native name in plea of sickness, which was literally true, since I the Arabic corresponded, with the Hebrew root, had not been accustomed to breathe smoke. As and had fully established his theory by researches we passed out and waited for a moment in the in the ancient oriental tongues, and shown that porch, I heard from the infant class room above this plant entered into many tof the incenses of the question asked, "What are the good things the ancients, and that though we might not use God has given to man?" which was answered by it along with the other ingredients in the same reciting in concert a verse from one of their little proportion as the Jews did, there was no prohi- hymns, in which tobacco was mentioned along bition against the use of this alone, and that if with the wheat and the cattle and the trees. God had selected it for the temple services, it. Here I was aware that my mind was not right. had the Divine sanction; and, could not be injuri | L was doubting the reality of my senses and was Also, experience had shown that it had a often too bewildered to answer correctly. I de-sedative and composing influence upon the mind termined to leave the town on the earliest train and prepared it for the solemn act of worship. The next recollection I have is, of being sud-'All that I could answer to this was that the whole subject was new to me and that I could not than denly grasped by a policeman who hurried me decide upon it; but that as long as my health

along with the utmost, rudeness. until, we stood before a gloomy building, over which was written, "ASTLUMN FOR ANTI-TOBACCO LUNATIOS." into a dungeon () He said I would be the

All this time my mind was in great doubt as

crime 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. But the no-torious, unprincipled Bawa Saheb, father of our late quiet king Shivaji just deceased, became displeased with this chief Surji Rao in 1824, sacked and plundered this town of Kagul and confiscated the whole province.

On the interference of the British, Bawa Saheb relented and reinstated the Kagul chief, but no sooner was the British force withdrawn from Kolapoor, than he perpenated the same violence again. On a second interference of the British, in 1827, this province was restored to the Ghatgay chief, and has remained in the quiet possession of his family to the present time. The chief, Surji Rao Ghatgay, died, some years since, but his aged widow remains as the representative of his family, and in her name, the estate is administered by an intelligent Brahman minister or Korbhari. Of course, the ad-ministration, political and judicial, conforms to that of Kolapoor in all essential matters, and in case of war it must furnish its quota of men and means, but otherwise the Government of this small province is independent and it pays no fribute to Kolapoor.

"On our arrival here the old lady, Bae Saheb (widow of the late chief) kindly invited us to occupy ; i lier ... country : house ... nice .. two-story smoking was unabated. Every slip had a match-safe, which was frequently resorted to. "After the services were closed there was a gathering of the Sabbath school! T noticed that pean furniture; the walls hung with pictures) and the question, made it the subject of a sermon on his cheek, but that he requested that during paintings, some of which are well executed... If the last Thanksgiving day, and had written seve-rayer all the children would remove their gum ral Sabbath-school books which that been pub-quids from their mouths and bow their heads, a very favorable impression of touring life in the last Thanksgiving day, and had written seve-ral Sabbath-school books which had been pub-guids from their mouths and bow their heads, lished by the Tobacco Medical Society, none of After the lessons had been recited, the secretary India. But lest it be one sided, please don't call here unless you will cast in your lot with us, and test our varying fare for a month or two.

And even here do net think this beautiful garden and bungalow, or the historical reminis-cences we have gathered of the place, have di-verted us at all from the engrossing work we have people on matters in which they themselves feel a ready and vital interest and to efficit historical facts which stir their enthusiasm—and our daily expe-rience convinces us that a little fellow feeling and sympathy in such matters of common interest help'them to recognize as as well-wishers, and indine: them to disten inovless reagerly to our

Christian, teachings. As you buy, found in We had preaching interviews with the people here each day, besides visiting several neighbor-ing villages. We find a flourishing school here, supported by the Kagul Government, with 125 intelligent young lads making; good, progress in study. This has already produced some hundreds of good readers, and hence an eager demand for our Christian tracts and books, scores of which have been purchased at our low nominal prices. Our preaching audiences have been darge, and though the Brahman Shastris, are somewhat inclined to argument, yet the result has only quickened attention and deepened interest on the part of the great mass of our hearers.

Yesterday the Bae Sakeb invited ins. to visit her is We found her living in a nice Wada or Palace, in the centre of the town, which was built by old *Lysing Rao*, after the model of the famous Palace of *Deeg* in northern India, and is The keeper stood at the gate did my powerful still in very good repair. The Bae Saheb re-captor gave me into his hands and charged him seived Mrs. Wilder and the children into her own presence, but I, of course, was not admitted beyond the *Pudida* (curtain.) Such is the Hindu custom, which gives a missionary's wife facilities for making known the Gospel in this land to minds which be cannot reach. In the anti-room however, I had an audience of some 50 intelligent men and a valuable opportunity to make known to them great principles of our holy faith. They listened most respectfully, if not gladly. The Bac Saheb accepted a copy of the Bible which we gave her, for though not able to read herself she will have it read to her by her attendants, and its truths are thus likely to become more widely known and secure more attention from its being a gift to her. The intelligent Kurbhavi intimated a wish to have a copy for from duty last July by severe congestion of the his own use, which we also gave. His conversawas, that I should be unable any more to endure of Christianity, in her conversation with Mrs. W. the fatigue and exposure to the sun involved in but listened respectfully to, her teachings, and purpose, as soon as she had adopted an heir to succeed her in the inheritance of the estate, to dismiss all worldly cares and devote her whole regions beyond," and so here we are fully enlis- time and thoughts to God and a preparation for death It is solemn business to become the bearers of God's message of love and mercy to such souls just once in their whole lifetimes-to see their minds 'aroused,' dimily discerning the elements of divine truth, and then turn our backs upon them, never to meet them again till they and we come up before God in the spirit world. cing;70 (seventy) different villages and a total Solemn, solemn business. The Lord forgive us population of 30,000 souls. The territory of if we ever fail to value and use rightly such priceless opportunities—and forgive His Church walked past us in order to look back in our faces, soil is fertile, luxuriant harvests meeting the eye not men, with burning love to Christ and souls, on every hand. It's broad plains and valleys are enough to place one or more permanently in every such centre of influence. If this estate of Kagul were offered to any worthy young American who would come and occupy its palace or garden bungalow, administerits Government and inherit its revenue of some Rs. 150,000 a year,, would no candidate offer? representative of the aristocratic 'Ghatgay fami-ly, of some note in Hindusthan proper, that is, In-dia north of the Nurbuilha. This Zaghire was conferred on him by "Poosuf Adil Shah," the last king of Beejapoor and the grant was confirmed last king of Beejapoor and the grant was confirmed a young man just leaving the Seminary halls to day and girding myself for life's work I would ask no better "place," no higher honor or privilege, than to make Kagul my home, its political area my parish, and the enlightenment and conversion of its 30,000 idolaters the one engressing object of my life.

though I hoped the final decision would be favorable, at last, to the investment, yet there lurked Bride's Delight. For fine out there were new in my heart, a suspicion that all was not right, which I smothered down. Sull word a contract

That night my wife and I talked over the pros and cons as was our custom, but neither seemed inclined to come to a conclusion. The money, aPlavodontes Her informed me that they made la which was lent to farmer Hunt, would soon be name in English, Vellow Tooth, which was in returned, and we should have to put it out some great demand for the Irish groceries. where. We fell into the old subject of our in-Lastly, I was taken into the library." I was creasing expenses, the greater wants of our family gratified to learn that books were provided for with the progress of years, wondered how we the workmen and clerks, but was surprised to should live on our present income, and pondered hear my friend remark, "I do not know as you will take much interest in the literature of our whether we could obtain another place with a school." I found they had, indeed, a tobacco literature." Walking, up to a case abelled "Books of Reference," I noticed four large oclarger salary, and where our children could be educated and that with less expense. The babe cried and interrupted us. She had to be turned tavos with the title Tobacco Encyclopædia, which over in her crih and rocked a few moments. Soon was a thesaurus of all kinds of information con-

cerning tobacco, its cultivation, manufacture, toall was still, and we fell asleep, and afterwards I gether with an abstract of the arguments emdreamed. Commenced a could be a ployed in favor of its use. In the same case I I thought in my dream that I awoke, and it saw a complete set of medical books, published by the Tobacco Medical Society. There was a dispensatory, dictionary, clinical lectures, monowas decided best that I should go back with my

friend to his residence in Tobuccoville, and that, if upon a little further examination the prospect seemed favorable, I should take the money and invest it in his business.

students were trained in the same principles, As we drew near the end of our journey, after which institution had been endowed by the totwelve hours' travelling, my friend remarked: bacco factories, and that their agents took great "You will see more tobacco used here than you pains in introducing these physicians, because it are accustomed to." I soon found it so. We increased trade. I found in another case a large changed cars to go on a branch road, and here assortment of novels, all written to advocate the boys' came in at the different stations with smoking and chewing. There was also a cyclo-cigars for sale, and presently every body began pædia of poetry of this school, containing all that had been written in praise of the cigar. Upon to smoke. The room was so deuse with smoke that I opened a window to relieve my eyes. Hap- | running over the index, I could not find the word pening to glance at the mirror at the other end cavendish or plug or pigtail... I saw also what of the car, what was my surprise to behold a purported to be bound volumes of the Tobacco stylish young lady sitting back of me with a pipe | Illustrated, Weekly, The Monthly Nicotine, and in her mouth. Thinking that the confused im- the Tobacco Medical Quarterly Review.

age in the glass had deceived me, I left my seat I turned from this room almost bewildered with and went to the rear end of the car for a drink what I had learned, and at the door was introof water, that I might be assured whether my im- duced to several gentlemen who came in, one of whom was the Rev. Mr. Spittoon, who, my friend said, was his minister. Like all others I met, he pression was correct, and I found it was even so. The pipe was a beautiful and elegant affair, corresponding with her rich suit and jewels and was smoking. From the last words I had heard, chain, and she was leisurely smoking as she I inferred that he had been urging his parishturned the leaves of a magazine, now and then ioner to attend the prayer-meeting. Mr. Spit-holding the stem between her glittering fingers. toon greeted me cordially, but with a movement I half suspected that she did not belong to the of the hand and a turn of the head that seemed most respectable class, but upon inquiry my friend peculiar and mysterious. We were soon engaged thick cloud like that in a bar-room, hanging over

in the Tobaccoville female college, and he added with some reluctance. with some hesitation, that in Tobaccoville nearly

all the ladies of every class were in the habit of smoking. "Is it possible? You never told me stand him, and he explained that it was a secret which, by the way, was marked "DESK," and smoking. "Is it possible! I ou never total the society, which extended over the whole country, led in the invocation. The hymn was sung, the from Yeshwunt Rao, and conferred it on his were smoking, and even lads of twelve and misses composed of those who used tobacco, and devoted Scriptures read, at the end of which there was a brother Sarji Rao Ghatgay, for no alleged

him.". 201 416 (Moll Stor) 1971-111 Upon mentioning this fact in the office, the paying clerk said he would correct the mistake before the hands went away, and we had a hearty laughtat the joke But upon returning to the it was corrected in the next number which came out on Sunday morning, I noticed that the edigave an account of a woman's rights convention, graphs on various classes of diseases, and all on and the passage of a resolution, after considerable the same system as that which led to the formasharp debate, affirming the equal right of women tion of the society. I was also told that there with men to smoke and chew.

was a medical college in the town, in which the That night I slept in a room and bed that, despite the vigorous attempts at airing, were still drenched in the odor of stale tobacco smoke. In and at the proper time we set out for church. I the people on the way to church smoking and chewing. As we drew near, the crowd became self disagreeably conspictous. I heard my name mentioned on all sides, and there was an occasional suppressed titter. There were frequent remarks concerning my paleness, together with

the judgment that I would not live long. We escaped from the press at last, and after passing through the long aisle where the sitters were turning back to stare at me, I was not sorry to retreat into the pulpit, where it was my first prayer that God would calm my mind to fit it for the services of the hour.

But that which I witnessed from this point was in keeping with everything that I had seen in the town. The smoking was continued. There was a told me that she was from one of their first fami- in pleasant conversation. He invited me to, the audience and obscuring the view of the singer's lies, and would soon graduate with high honors preach for him, to which I consented, though gallery. The last stroke of the bell sounded

After a short time he remarked, "I perceive aside their cigars and chanted a verse from the you are not a Nicotian:" I could not under Psalms, and then the pastor laid aside his pipe,

only, inmate, I resisted with all might, but my strength seemed useless. I was shut pp. The whole air seemed to be filled with smoke. I tried to scream, and with the effort awoke. My wife was by my side, and my babe slept sweetly in her cribe L could but weepso L lay awake a long, time, full of thankfulness that it was a dream, and at last I slept. In the morn-ing T said: "We will not invest in the Tobacco 'Manufacture." ("We will not invest in the Tobacco ine vicences in which we are here

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MISSIONARY TOUR IN INDIA.

house in the evening and taking up the evening daily, I was dismayed to find that a son of Dr. Trask was announced to preach in the Church of the Holy Incense. My friend was tour"-would prove fitting and prophetic. We tor adopted ultra woman's rights ideas and called this kind of labor. But with improving health expressed a wish to worship the true God and a attention to a letter from a lady correspondent, and the more bracing air of our cooler season, we under the name of "Consistency." The letter have found it hard to resist our strong wish to

renew these efforts and carry the Gospel to "the ted in another preaching tour. KAGUL. This is a thriving town, twelve miles from

Kolapoor, having a population of some 5000 the morning the bells of the city rang their peals, idolators. It is the capital of a small dependency subordinate to the Kolapoor kingdom, embracan scarcely say that I was surprised to see all cing 70 (seventy) different villages and a total the whole Zaghire is about 20 miles long and 15 greater, and I soon observed that many evidently broad, with an area of 300 square miles. Its dotted with villages, nestling amidst groves of fruit and shade trees, giving the whole country a beautiful and picturesque appearance.

The original proprietor of this Zaghire, or principality sported the name and style of "Jysing Rao' Ghaigay Sunjerao Wujaret Mab"-a representative of the aristocratic Ghatgay famiby the Emperor of Delhi before the full establishment of British power in India. Its subordination to Kolapoor is a matter of more recent date.

In 1798 the king of Kolapoor gave his daughter in marriage to Yeshwunt Rao, Ghatgay, the The organ began to awake. The singers laid young chief of Kagul, and confirmed to him the original grant of this province made by the old Mogul to his ancestors But in less than two

Who will come and inherit this estate ?--or rather regain it for Christ?

Yours in the service of the Gospel, R. G. WILDEB. Kagul, Kolapoor Districts,

INDIA, Nov. 26, 1866.