DUKE'S NOTABLE CAREER, ones later on sold out their assumors stock at \$300 per share, six times the price path by the syndicate.

James R. Buke, a Native of North Carolina, Chosen Head of the Big Combine—His Fertile Brain Originated the 5-tent Cignrette Which Has Created the Great Tobacco Company, the Continental Tobacco Company, the Continental Tobacco Company. Company, Richmond Times-Disputeb.

new departure.

for it was known that the tax on cigarettes was to be reduced within a few weeks, and so this adventurous firm placed on the market a cigarette that was adolf at exactly half the price charged for the output of other factories and amount in single inglife founds at their door. The countries and single weeks and wealth knocking loudly at their door. The countries and single weeks were allowed a great strides until the Diskes were in great strides until the Diskes were in a position of the cigarette world. In the year to fee and a combination of the cigarette factories of the first rank, and although it is known that one at deast of the new company will retire the company till sknown that one at deast of the scheme was completed, and the scheme was completed. An other loads and the common stock of the mew American Tobacco Company.

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began the manufacture of plug tobac-co. This branch of the American Tohacco Company was called the Nation- is unlike all other trusts in that the al Tobacco works and its principal output was the "Battle Axe" band, that insiders have taken the risk, if there simply played havoc with the plug has been such a thing, holding the for its appearance on the market meant war to the bitter end. Fortune still favored Mr. Duke and so in 1898, h; successfully combined a number of plug tobacco firms whose combined output practically placed the other manufacturers at his mercy. manufacturers at his mercy.

It is another story full of interest to tell how these independent manufacturers often against their will, and often without their knowledge, were led What Should the Republican Party Do to become component parts of the plug Those who followed the strategy of that campaign will recall how, when the final show down came, the To the Editor of The Observer: combination gotten together to fight Speaking of existing political con-the Duke-interests, proved to be only ditions in the South The New York himself.

pany was: \$48,844,000 of preferred 7 per ties. Is it due to the feelings engencent, stock; \$48,846,100 of common stock, dered by the war? Has not sufficient

the Consolidated Company were so a candid answer solicited, large and the business so excellent that A RESPECTFUL II the common stock of the Continental per cent, instead of the insignificant 1 per cent, of the year before. There Special to The Observer. some knowing holders who did not dispose of their Continental commen stock to the syndicate at practi-cally 50 cents on \$1. These fortunate about seven miles southwest of here.

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A sure sign of opproaching revolt and by fire at 7 o'clock to-night. The loss from the coach were discovered and identified. The arrest of the innates of the house, charged with receiving the house, charged with receiving stolen goods, followed, and fearing that they would communicate by telegraph with the porter he was arrested at Jacksonville to-day and will be returned to Wilmington for trust Saturday.

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New Jersey. The American Tobacco Company, the Continental Tobacco Company and the Consolidated Tobic Had not the fertile brain of J. B. to Company this last named being the Duke, of Durham, hit upon the scheme of seling ten cigarettes for five cents, one great company, taking the name the great temperature of the content to the co

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Prof. McGlothlin, of the Southern Prof. McGlothlin, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, address ber of R. H. Jordan & Co. yesterdity. mon stock of an earned dividend of pledged \$1,000 to that fund.

The brand was rightly named common stock and giving the general

INFORMATION DESIRED.

tical Way Their Sentiments in Favor ing the Convention in a royal way. of Protection and Expansion?

Speaking of existing political cona stalking horse used by Mr. Duke Sun of the 6th instant, in a leading editorial, says: "The policies of govern-This section combination was the ment and administration favored by Continental Tobacco Company, incorso vast a majority of the American porated under the laws of New Jersey, on December 9, 1898. Mr. Duke was zens of the Southern States as by And yet the starm-clouds lower the rising licious to the taste, then the patient clected president of the company and was the controlling power.

The firms who originally made up this trust were as follows: Drummond Tobacco Company, of St. Louis: P. If this is trust were to say that as large a part of the Northern heaps are in favor of protection and what the same clearly lover, the elemental strate Rages around 1 do not understand why talk should be.

Tobacco Company, of St. Louis: P. Lorillard Company, of Jersey City: National Tobacco Works, of Louis-field the Southern people manifest their approval of these policies of government and administration at the pairy, of Louisyille; P. H. Mayo & Brother, Inc., of Richmond.

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your excellent and influential journal of Mr. T. M. Emerson, of the Atlantic During the first year the profits of is called to this practical inquiry and Coast Line, whom he served as porter.

A RESPECTFUL INQUIRER.

(now held by the syndicate) carned 23 Chatham Farmer Loses Big Barn by

Chapel Hill. Dec. 8.—Mr. Edward and upon his departure on the car this is an antidote for the awful virus that Fearington, one of Chatham county's week to Jacksonville, his boarding place attacks and destroys even the bones. most prosperous farmers, who lives was searched and a quantity of silver- S. S. S. contains no Mercury, Potash or

THE BAPTIST CONVENTION.

DR. MARSH AGAIN PRESIDENT. He Was Re-Elected to Preside Over the Seventy-Fourth Annual Session

at Elizabeth City—Wonderful Pro-gress Shown by the Report of the Hoard of Missions—Over \$38,000 Raised for the Work During the Year-Dr. Frost Gives an Intere Account of the Progress of the Work of the Sunday School Board.

one great company, taking the name of seling ten cigarettes for five cents, the great tobacco trust that has ityed and fourished since 1890, would probably have never existed.

A gentleman, well known in the business world of the South, is authority and fat and very opulent. The American for the above statement, and this is the story.

About the year 1886 the tobacco firm of W. Duke, Sons & Company, of Durathen existing held a meeting to consider ways and means. Mr. J. B. Duke, a member of the firm of W. Duke, Sons & Company, suddenly held up a shoct of paper on which he had written the eight of the priority:

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Mr. Duke soon grew weary of limited power confined to the monopoly of the cigarette industry, determined to get control of the plug tobacco industry. With this aim in view, his company business methods, has made every aging progress. There are now 24 ben-eficiaries, receiving help in amounts each liver oil, notably amount which

Skinner and Mr. T. H. Briggs.

the consideration of the work of the medicinal properties.

Sunday school board of the Southern This report proves that the real for electric lighting in cotton mills Baptist Convention. Dr. Frost gave an merit of end liver oil was due to the and towns, and for other purposes interesting account of the progress in alkaloids contained therein. Now it where economy of fuel is an object, in Order to Show in a Real and Practine work. Elizabeth City is entertain-

THREE POEMS BY NUTSUHITO, EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

The surely not our finit,

cent. stock; \$48,846,100 of common stock, dered by the war? Has not sufficient making a total capitalization of \$95,690,100.

Between the time of the incorporation of the Continental Company (1898) and the year 1901, practically ever factory of any consequence had been acquired by the plug trust.

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The company paid the dividend on and desire for it are pointd out? If its preferred stock, but the statement issued by the company up to, June, issued by the company up to, June, issued by the company up to, June, of the company was paying little more than one per cent. In the face of this bad showing a band of public-spirited individuals, with Mr. J. B. Duke at its head organized on June 5, 1901; a third company, under the name of the Consolidated Tobacco Company.

Mr. Duke was also president of this third company, which existed as a holding company to purchase all the common stock of both the American Tobacco Company. A controlling interest was also secured in the American Tobacco Company and in the Imperial Tobacco Company of Great Britain and Ireland, and in the British-American Tobacco Company of Great Britain and Ireland, and in the British-American Tobacco Company.

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Her Mother Indicted in Connection With Alleged Thefts.

Special to The Observer. Wilmington, Dec. 8.-Charged with systematically robbing the private car Alex Pearce, colored, was arrested this morning at Jacksonville, Fia., upon charges filed through the headquarters ware, bed clothing and canned goods

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only at the rate of one cent each and is authorized.)

Of this capitalization the entire is twas all that Mr. J. B. Duke could do to induce his partners to accept the new departure.

T. M. Arrington, E. F. Aydlett and J. day.

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Tang from \$15 to \$80 a year.

Dr. Seymour, of Philadelphia, gave an interesting account of the work of the American Baptist Publication Society

Telegrams were received from Rev. Telegrams were received from Rev. the exclusive report by Gautler and W. A. Therrese, of Asheville, and from Morgues in the Journal de Pharmacie. the North Carolina students in the who concluded that the combined Seminary. The secretary was instruct- active medicinal principles of cod lively send the loving greetings of the er oil act as powerful stimulants of Convention to Drs. John Mitchell. E. nutrition and assimilation and shows wood-wirking plants, roller mills.

Skinner and Mr. T. H. Briggs. definitely the nature of the principles large ginneries and the like, requiring The afternoon session was devoted to the which the old owes its valuable a steady power up to 100 horse.

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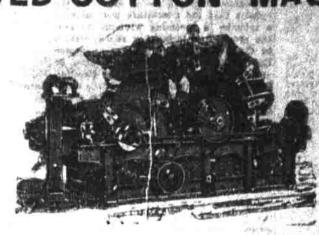
I am compelled by a sense of gratitude to tell you the great good your remedy has done me in a case of Contagious Blood Poison. Among other symptoms I was severely afflicted with Rheumatism, and got almost past going. The disease got a firm hold upon my system; my blood was thor. ily washed off as a chima oughly poisoned with the virus. I lost in weight, was run down, had sore throat, eruptions, splotches and other evidences of the disease. I was truly in a bad shape when I began the use of S. S. S., but the persistent use of it brought me out of my rouble safe and sound, and I have the courage to publicly testify to the virtues of your great blood remedy, S. S. S., and to recommend it to all blood-poison sufferers, sincerely believing if it is taken according to directions, and given a fair trial, if will thoroughly eliminate/ every particle of the virus. JAMES CURRAN.
_Stark Hotel, Greensburg, Pa.

Painful swellings in the groins, red erup of the road here. Pearce had for some tions upon the skin, sores in the mouth time been suspected of appropriating and loss of lair and eyebrows, are some of articles from the car to his own use the symptoms of this vile disease. S. S. S.

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