

The Democrat.

EDISON'S GREAT PROBLEM.

The great electrician, Edison, is said to have obtained a nucleus of a new idea that, if worked out successfully, will create a revolution equal to that caused by the application of the expansive force of water vapor for mechanical power. He is quoted as saying: "I am thinking of the possibility of utilizing the heat contained in coal without the loss of energy and waste entailed by combustion." This hint of future triumphs is said to have come to Edison by accident while he was investigating in other directions, and the great wizard considers that he has now before him the greatest problem of those he will undertake to solve. If he succeeds, and the force contained in coal can be made to serve directly without the intermediate or subsidiary machinery, and without combustion there must result an almost incredible cheapening in the cost of production of power, but the greatest changes in the machinery now known to the world. His efforts will be watched all the more closely because of the indications that that great and cheap power, natural gas, seems to be failing. If a substitute can be obtained by invention, not only great towns now dependent upon natural gas will be saved from probable peril, but other cities will be greatly benefited. Let us hope, that as in the past, Edison may succeed.

LEGAL DON'TS ABOUT WILL.

Don't make a will without two witnesses; better three.
Don't neglect to declare it to be your last will and testament.
Don't let a person interested in it be a witness.
Don't add a codicil unless you execute it in the same way as the original will.
Don't make a new one unless you revoke or destroy the old one.
Don't neglect to make your witnesses write their full names and addresses.
Don't forget that, if a woman, your marriage will invalidate a will already made.
Don't make a new will without specifically revoking the prior one and physically destroying it.
Don't make a will that does not provide for children that may be born.
Don't force a wife to accept certain property instead of dower.
Don't try to devise real property to an alien.
Don't allow a minor to will away personal property, unless eighteen.
Don't leave anything uncertain in a will.
Don't mention people by their nick names.
Don't fail to specify which one is meant when two bear the same name.
Don't imagine that the contents of a lost will may not be proved by good evidence.

A boy was one day sitting on the steps of a house. He had a broom in one hand and a large piece of bread and butter in the other. While he was eating it he saw a poor little dog not far from him. He called out to him, "Come here, poor fellow!" Seeing the boy eating, he came near. The boy held out to him a piece of his bread and butter. As the dog stretched out his head to take it, the boy drew back his hand and hit him a hard rap on the nose. A gentleman who was looking from a window on the other side of the street saw what the boy had done. Opening the street door, he called out to him to come over, at the same time holding a sixpence between his finger and thumb. "Would you like this?" said the gentleman. "Yes, if you please, sir," said the boy, smiling. Just at that moment he got so severe a rap on the knuckles, from a cane which the gentleman had behind him, that he roared out with pain. "What did you do that for?" said he, making a very long face, and rubbing his hand. "I didn't hurt you, nor ask you for the sixpence." "What did you hurt that poor dog for just now?" asked the gentleman. "He didn't hurt you, nor ask you for the bread and butter. As you served him, I have served you. Now, remember, dogs can feel as well as boys; and learn to behave kindly toward dumb animals in future." Boys and girls, if you always get tit for tat you would often come badly off, and soon learn the golden rule to do to others as you would that others should do to you.

The exports of wheat, and flour as wheat both counts, equal 2,197,460 bushels last week, against 2,758,538 bushels the previous week and 1,316,346 bushels in the like week in 1888. The total shipments abroad from July 1 to date equal 42,641,192 bushels this year, against 39,184,458 bushels in 1888 and 55,800,000 bushels in 1887.

The man Baird, who became speaker of the lower house of the New Jersey legislature two years ago, by selling out to the republicans and later causing the defeat of the democratic nominee to the United States senate, is now a dilapidated horse car driver in New York city, although he was a wealthy physician when elected to the legislature. Retribution followed him.

Dr. M. H. Ellis, physician and surgeon Albany, Oregon. Calls made in city or country.

The high prices which are now being charged for grain freights on ocean steamers are having the effect of restricting grain shipments to such an extent that an enormous accumulation is inevitable, and a considerable falling off in price an unavoidable consequence. Grain freight rates are just about double what they were a year ago.

The City of Mexico Herald is advocating the exclusion of cattle imported from the United States. Mexican cattle raisers, it says, cannot compete with American.

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