

EDISON'S METHODS.

He Does Not Invent by Accident or Without a Plan.

Edison's genius comes near to justifying that definition of the word which makes it an imitative of the making of things.

"What makes you work?" I asked, with real curiosity. "What method of this constant, tireless struggle?"

"I like it," he answered, after a moment of puzzled expression, and then he repeated his reply several times.

"I don't know any other reason. You know some people like to work stamps. Anything that I have begun is always on my mind, and I am not easy while away from it until it is finished."

"I have it," I said, struck by his emphatic tones. "Yes," he affirmed, "when it is all done and a success I can't bear the sight of it."

"I have not used a clock for many years, and I would go out of my way every day to miss an incandescent light."

"A JOB FOR THE PREACHER." It was to be either a conversion or the funeral of a mountaineer.

"The mountain preacher met me at the foot of Harriette gap in the Pine mountains, says a Detroit Free Press man, and we rode along together, and about a mile from where the mountain preacher was stopped by a mountaineer with a Winchester, whom the preacher knew."

THE POISON OF THE COBRA.

So Far No Remedy Has Been Discovered.

The bite of the terrible cobra of India is looked upon as meaning certain death. It is not surprising that experiments to determine the nature of the poison should attract wide attention.

The fluid dries very quickly, says Young's Companion, and leaves a yellowish substance resembling iron scales, or the dried albumen of eggs, which is easily pulverized.

As it has been shown that picous can be rendered practically insensible to the poison of a rattlesnake by being treated with a concentrated solution of hydrogen peroxide.

Some hope had been raised that doses of strychnine might prove a means of cure, but the experiments showed that there was no foundation for this hope.

A BURGLAR DEMORALIZED. How It Worked and Why the Inventor Didn't Get It Patented.

"I was arrested," said a man who lived in the suburbs of a New York Sun reporter, "a burglar demoralized that was very effective in its way, but I don't think it patented, because I didn't think I ought to."

"One night—about three nights I think after we had set up—my wife and I were sitting at the back of the house, and I was reading a book."

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What Has Helped Chicago to Her Phenomenal Growth.

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Progressive Development in the Art of Shoe-making.

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There is said to be only one shoe in the world's fair exhibit which distinctly represents and commemorates the foot.

He doubted the collection by Crocker the Small's Shoe in Town. In the small town in the Midlands there is a rich congregation that is not characterized by lavish liberality.

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