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New Year resolutions are not what they used to be.

Now Leap Year is over the girls will do well to take off the ear muffs.

The successful men of the world are those who didn't have sense enough to know when they were licked.

There is something about the suddenness of the process of deflation that suggests a large bill for vulcanizing.

Gilbert K. Chesterton, the English essayist and critic, is coming to America to lecture. He sees gold ahead of him.

If this mild winter continues there may be a surplus of coal somewhere, and a forcing down of prices across the border.

Mon. J. A. Calder has left on a month's holiday trip to Bermuda. All hope he will come back greatly invigorated.

Man has his sorrow and misfortunes, but he doesn't feel under obligation to expose his ankles and chest to winter winds.

Chicago has a curfew law. The bell is rung, we presume, to notify the burglars that it's time to come out.—Ottawa Journal.

From the amount of goods captured in police raids, there appears to be more moonshine here than there has been sunshine recently.

Sixty-one persons were lynched by mobs in the United States in 1920. The number is one-third smaller than that of the preceding year.

The mild weather cannot stop the basketball players anyway. Some of the girls' games should be staged where we all could see them.

The Toronto Globe notes that rents and land values are not sharing in the price declines. And they will not while there is a shortage of houses.

One of the first things youth learns is not to draw conclusions as to the appearance of a girl by the sound of her voice over the telephone.

Premier Drury is said to be trying to promote a "bonne entente" with Quebec. Ontario evidently wishes to be on good terms with the French province in a dry spell.

Only half of the voters in Ottawa cast their ballots in the municipal elections on Monday. All over the province electors showed a great lack of interest in the contests.

Some people think that "O Canada" is Canada's national anthem. "God Save the King" is our national anthem, just as the Union Jack is our flag.

Those good Methodists who are still preaching that the preacher should preach himself in the pulpit to what they call "preaching the Gospel" should not forget what John Wesley said in one of his letters: "I find more profit in sermons on good temper or good works than in what are commonly called 'gospel sermons'." And might we not say that Jesus, as a preacher, was very much as Wesley was.—Christian Guardian.

UTOPIAN REFORMERS.

Kingstonians, who have read much of late of penitentiary life, of suggested methods of reform of the inmates and of the possible results of such reforms, will be interested in the despatches from Lexington, Kentucky, which tell the tale of another Utopian reformer whose reforms have resulted in disaster.

It is a queer fact that when one mingles vague idealism with executive action in the handling of concrete problems disaster is the inevitable accompaniment.

A horse always knows when he is being ridden or driven by a masterful person, and he rarely does any cutting up.

But let a vacillating, ineffective person take the reins, and the horse, quick to note the change, tries to see just how far he can go with his new master.

Referring to Mr. Sproule's letter published in Thursday's Whig, we may say that we are not disposed to be unfair for we respect his views.

From Mr. Sproule's own statements, it cannot be contended, if they fairly represent the position of the farmers generally, that protection has been a serious handicap to his industry.

He worships coal, does Oswald Sly, To get hold is his aim; He'll judge a plumbing like a rose, The gliding on the frame.

Things to Worry About. Snakes have no eyebrows.

In That So! The man who never tells his wife a lie is like the Lord High Admiral of the Swiss navy.

Her, Page O. Fixem! Misses G. Ketchum and L. Holdem have charge of the alteration room in one of the big Cincinnati department stores.

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Bury. There was an old fellow named Who got up each morning at dawn, He'd get out of the hay, Then he'd loaf around all day, And he'd yawn, and he'd yawn, and he'd yawn.

Oh Joy! James Christmas, of Morrilstown, Tenn., should be a mighty happy man. He has a Mary Christmas in his home every day in the year.

Hang! When a man gets loaded he thinks he is a big gun.—Luke McLuke. Toledo Blade.

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BITS OF BY-PLAY

Of course, A. Kerz don't like his name. Folks join him and they make him scowl. To ridicule him do not aim, Or you will surely hear him growl.

Ab, Gwent! That man is an artist in words. "Author?" "Naw," replied Jones. "Poet?" "Naw, sign painter."

Drunk. One man will drink blind tiger skee, And want to fight all day; Another merely wants to be, The glad Queen of the May.

Changeable Things. Luck, Socks, Money, Shirts, Weather, Women.

Merey! She may be modest, but who knows? At her we are inclined to scowl, Though she is blushing like a rose, She wears the blush that won't come off.

Oh! "And why do you prefer a minister who reads his sermons?" asked Rev. Mr. Longwind, who was chatting with Mr. Grouch.

Hang! He felt one blow, and that was all! Farewell to Oswald Sly; He went into a Sign-Fin hall, And sang "God Save the King!"

Bless Her Heart! (Houston (Texas) Post) Luke McLuke confesses to his advanced years when he asks: "What has become of the o. f. girl who was bashful?" Only antiquarians remember her.

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PUBLIC OPINION

Get Out and Boost. Even if you are simple-minded enough to believe the dismal business stories that are told you by other simple-minded persons who believe what they have been told, don't pass them on.

More Than Wealth Needed. (London Daily Express) Humor is hidden to the man with no gaiety in his soul; the real beauty of poetry and the joy of music are only revealed to those who can bring to them something of the poet's and composer's mind.

Walt Mason THE POET PHILOSOPHER. 1921. We greet the New Year with a smile, and say, "Take off your things, and come right in and stay a while, and feel at home, by jings; for brand new years are quite in style, and every joy bell rings."

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