We take this Opportunity of Thanking the Public for their Generous Patronage during the past Year and extend to all Best Wishes for a Bright, Happy and Prosperous NEW YEAR.

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Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

THE PEOPLE WHO GO.

An acquaintance of mine was going to a big football game recently.

I saw her the day before and she was radiant with expectation.

"You must be very fond of the game," I said.

"Oh, the game," she answered, "I don't care so much for that. To tell the truth I don't understand the play at all. I just have a general idea as to who is winning and when to cheer. What I like is the idea of going. Last year I didn't go and I felt so left out. This year I'll be one of the people to go instead of those who have to stay home."

I think that last statement belongs on an article on the psychology of pleasure.

We Just Don't Want to Stay at Home.

I fancy there are a much larger percentage of our pleasure than we realize that we enjoy in just that way, not because we care so much for the thing itself, but because we like to be one of the people who go instead of those who stay at home.

There is a natural pleasure-seeking that has its root in the desire of a normal human mind for amusement and sensation.

And there is an abnormal pleasure-seeking that has its root in the restless craving of an insufficiently occupied mind for **anything** to keep it occupied.

People of this kind like any form of motion no matter how monotonous, how uninspiring, better than sitting still.

He Would Like a Baby Carriage About as Well.

These are the people who like to be running around in a machine whether they have any special place to go or not. They will go over and over the same ground endlessly with apparent complacency. The Author-man always regards such people with utter incomprehension. "You'd think they'd like to stay home with a good book once in a while," he says. "If they went to some new and interesting place that would be one thing, but just going over the same old ground, I'd just about as soon be wheeled about in a baby carriage."

Before we had automobiles I think these same women were the ones who always sat in rocking chairs and tried to appease their own restlessness by perpetual rocking.

How Many People Know What They Enjoy?

It may sound absurd but, nevertheless, I think people who know what will give them real pleasure and what will merely turn ashes in the mouth upon attainment, are very rare. We make elaborate plans for enjoying this or that and when the thing is over we have to admit we didn't enjoy it so much after all and we wonder why we bothered. And then we forget and do it all over again.

It is a wise man or woman who learns early in life to recognize the sort of things he doesn't really enjoy and to avoid them, and to cultivate the pleasures that appeal to him individually, however far they may be from the pleasures that most people run after.

Fashions and Fads.

A brown velvet hat has an upturned brim edged with pleated ribbon.

A fabric of combined cellophine and worsted is used in making sports hats.

The skirt of a Georgette crepe gown has panels caught on only one edge.

Georgette skirts have tucks with hemstitching on their edges as trimming.

The irregular hem line and paneled skirt are features of the spring mode.

Small bouquets of vari-colored cut wool are worn with dark costumes.

Eyelet embroidery is effective on long, loose panels of white crepe over black satin.

A striking hat and muff set is made of cire lizard skin ribbon and gray nutria.

Glittering steel and jet are used with black net and lace in effective evening gowns.

Suit-coat collars are notched with narrow revers when the coat buttons rather high.

A hat of gray Georgette is faced with blue straw and trimmed with worsted embroidery.

Jackets are trimmed with braiding and self-tone embroidery and have brilliant linings.

Tans, grays and blues are favored for day dresses and brilliant colors for evening wear.

Picture hats for the coming season will be simply fashioned in Georgette and organdies.

The loose blouse is generally used with the slim skirt and the fitted bodice with the fuller skirt.

Many evening gowns are extremely short in front and long enough to trail at the sides.

Rows of taffeta petals form an overdrapery and edge the underskirt of a taffeta frock with a tulle tunic.

Some bodices blouse at a low waist line; others hang from the shoulders, with a wide sash at the hips.

The deep armhole of a black velvet dress is outlined with silver, and silver embroidery is used on the skirt.

Velvet poppies ringed with matching flues of ostrich make one shoulder strap of an evening gown, and brilliants make the other.

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THE OLD YEAR.

I view the old year with regret, my record sadly reading. Whenever I had earned a plunk I seemed to fret and worry, unless I blew it in for junk, and blew it in a hurry. And now collectors dog my path, they chase me through the alleys, they catch me when I'm in the bath, and bore me with their sallies. Around my humble home they perch, they're roosting on the fences, they follow when I go to church, they jar my seven senses. And lawyers tag me on the street, and bailiffs show their mettle, and every guy I chance to meet requests that I will settle. Oh, life is but a doleful thing, when debts are fierce and many, and bum collectors form a ring and take your final penny. And shame and trouble with you ledge, and hug you ever closer, if you're the gent who has to dodge the butcher and the grocer. Collectors chased me all the year, and made things very trying, and after this my course is clear—I'll pay for all I' mbuying. And when this sad old year expires, at debt you'll see me balking; if I can't pay for rubber tyres, I'll put in twelve months walking.

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Crime Waves in the U. S.

103 MURDERS AND 100,000 ROBBERIES THIS YEAR.

New York leads all other communities in the United States in an unprecedented wave of crime that is sweeping the country. Since the beginning of the year there have been in that city 103 unsolved murders, 40 in the last six weeks, and 100,000 robberies, involving a loss of £1,300,000.

The underworld has come into the open, brazen and unafraid. It is the heyday of the highwayman, footpad, burglar, safe-blower, and gunman. Lawlessness flouts the law. The way of the transgressor is easy. As far a New York is concerned, the law does not seem to be able to cope with the outbreak.

Among the most sensational of the crimes that are perturbing the people of New York is the unsolved murder of Mr. Joseph B. Elwell, a widely-known man, whose works on chess are international textbooks. He was slain in his home. Most startling of the burglaries was the bold entry of the residence of Mrs. Charlotte King Palmer, a few weeks ago, by three men, who gaged and bound her and her maid and butler, and got away with booty said to be worth £140,000, including a pearl necklace valued by Mrs. Palmer at £60,000.

HOLD-UPS AND MOTOR THEFTS.

Apart from murders, the crimes this year have comprised daily "hold-ups" of pedestrians and persons in motor-cars, house burglaries, daylight raids upon shops, and night lootings of warehouses. Thefts of motor cars alone have reached nearly 6,000. The Mayor of Philadelphia is arming scores of policemen with sawed-off shotguns, and sending them on patrol in swift motor-cars to end the epidemic of highway robberies there.

A Chicago banker led a revolt of the citizens against the incompetency of the chief of police, with the result that this official was dismissed, and his place taken by Mr. Charles Fitzmorris, a former newspaper reporter, from whom the city, and its ways hold no secret. Mr. Fitzmorris's first act has been to remove the higher officers in favour of men he knows are to be trusted, and to send out 2,500 policemen, uniformed and in plain clothes, on a general round-up of criminals, old and new. Several hundreds are under arrest. In Pittsburg, too, a drag-net has been spread, and those who have reason to fear being caught are fleeing in hordes—no doubt in the direction of hospitable New York.

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MUTT AND JEFF—— MUTT, JEFF AND SPIVIS, ALL MEN OF THEIR WORD. ——By Bud Fisher.

Shipwrecked Schooner's Crew in Harbor.

EN ROUTE TO NEWFOUNDLAND.

North Sydney, Dec. 30.—Capt. John Ducey and crew of the schooner Preceptor, wrecked at Marie Joseph, Guysboro County, on Dec. 8th, arrived here yesterday en route to their homes in Newfoundland.

The trip, which had other unusual circumstances, follows by a most unfortunate ending, ban on November 27th, when the schooner, a craft of 89 tons, carrying crew of six men, left Spaniard's Bay in ballast for North Sydney, ending to take a load of coal.

The voyage was fraught with hard luck from the time the Spaniard's Bay till she delted her form on ledis off smaisland three miles st from Marioseph. Very boisterus wes her c and the vessel ssed and shed in heavy seas, and ten days she lost her mainsal. A ple days later the foresail was in invibbons, and exceedly high wier continued to previl. can and crew were uerly signce a to their whereabouts d thssel followed the coves the l and drifted hither ther eleven days without a sse of land in any qu How, th were sufficien visi to and a voyage, threlfth day a change br the essel in sight of , hou sailing material e distance and the seal much calmer. Passing ey enq ed the best cou and following directions d. the took a wrong c ounded off a small isl e miles from the mai ards making another l on which a light hou

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Sydney's Close Call.

Few Feet Would Have Dropped Train in 100 Foot Hole.

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LIFE.

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An' have w to me
For having their victory.

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Or on swung an axe
Because heavy tax.
An' ever dyin' kid
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But her father's son,
An' all jobs are done;
I've miss & rise to fame
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