with the skill of an acrobat, is allowed to have free run of his ingenuity and past experience, and constitutes, in the eyes of the children's parents, the least pleasing feature of the pantomime, owing to the fact that the youngsters consider it their bounden duty to experience with all the clown's tricks at the expense generally of their father, to whom, it is needless to add, they accord to have free run of his ingenuity and the actual inquiry of the arbitrators she has to be on earth.

Stare which seems to ask what business she has to be on earth.

In casting about for a reason for this has kindly said contributions might be sent to him. Miss Caroline Macklem, Sylvan of his hat for future reference:

Two legal experts, instructed by the British Government, have for some time past been conducting a search in the archives of the colony for evidences of the Dutch occupation. What was intercourse with their fellows and the intercourse with their fellows and the intercourse with their fellows and the number to 100.

probably a number of years. This union of course conclusive. The books of would affect the social relations of the will create something akin to a new na- minutes and memoranda are now on sexes. Advanced women have posh-

THE TORONTO WORLD tion, holding a preponderence of power their way to Great Britain, where their pooned such a result and have intimatin the South Pacific, and launch another great experiment in British colonial federation with very extensive powers of amount of matter is so great that the the great majority of them-who do not home rule. Australia will then be almost, but not quite, an independent country. The fundamental allegiance to Great Britain, though hardly felt, will work till the middle of next year. Their

whom, it is needless to add, they accord of the Dutch occupation. What was intercourse with their fellows and the number to 100. whom, it is needless to add, they accord the butten occupation. What was intercourse with their remove and the believed to have been an exhaustive dreadful state which is now deplored follong-suffering Pantaloon. But Boxing believed to have been made, with Day, or rather the afternoon and evening, of Boxing Day, constitutes a great entered upon their task, but it turns suits the mood of our friend and she time for the theatre-going children of out that there was much left for the ceases not to mourn.

work till the middle of next year. Their still exist, and that is an important point labors, however, will be greatly faculistiant between the Canadian and Australian federation.

Australia's total population is 4,278, their stronger sisters.

The Abuse of the Police Power.

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experts to discover. They found in the Is it not barely possible the women vaults of the law courts at Georgetown themselves-or, rather, a class of woa series of volumes containing, in the men-are responsible for the state of Though Queensland and New Zealand shape of minutes and memoranda, a affairs which the complainant says exhave not yet agreed to enter the pro- running history of the Dutch settlement ists? The continual harping on the rights posed union of Australia, it is thought probable that the new federation will be seventeenth century. These minutes as typified nowadays in every wark of come into existence within a year or "contain references on almost every page life, have finally made an impression on two. Five of the seven colonies are to trading expeditions to the Dutch man, and he is willing that she be inready for it, and Queensiand will prob- depots on the Upper Cuyuni, and to dependent in so far as the social amenicelly consent to it finally, though it has expeditions to the Moruca and all the ties are concerned. She wants to face twice rejected an enabling bill. New lands to the northwest, which the world on an equality with man and Zealand, which is 1200 miles from the Australian continent, will hold aloof, were never in the possession of the in carnest. The thoughtful have fearlike Newfoundland from Canada, for Dutch." Evidence of this character is ed that the agitation for political rights

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The White Slaves of England,

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From London Fun.
In a Police Court case it transpired that a woman was paid threepence a dozen for making white shirts!
O Shade of Hood arise!
Again sing of dim eyes,
Of ingers stiff with ache,
Of brain but half awake,
Of woman pale and lean,
Made into a machine;
Of hunger with bowed head,
Of life frail as a thread!
To think such things should be
In Eugland, vaunted "free;"
Will no one heed the cry
Of those who heedle ply?
Of white slaves doomed to grind
Their lives away; to blind
Their dariling straining sight
Till all around is night!
To think God's noblest work
Should bear what beasts would shirk—
A life of ceaseless pain.
Of sighs for help in vain;
With mind stretched on the rack,
With aching, toil bent back,
With rags, and want, and dirt—
One's life merged in a shirt!—
To be hopeless, and crave
But one thlux—that the grave!

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COMMENTS ON SPORTING A IN THE

The complaints of small attendance the James Bay and various munici ne challenges when the waters ce-bound; in like manner we people Canada talk of municipal affairs d the festive season, when the of the darge body of the torate is being devoted to may be design in all this, in-so-far as tention; but it is a fool-way of business as regards the people at la



the sister province of Quebec migh quoted as an instance-fail over to the celebration of the for discussion and voting on r my mind, afford a much more fi season for dealing with such matte

The druggists are appealing to local Government for relaxation law passed last session forbidding to sell intoxicating liquors, and a committee has been appointed pharmacists with the inevitable la to confer with the Premier on the ject. I could not help thinking on rea an account of the proceedings that was another body, to wit, the keepers, that had rights in premises deserving of cons undoubtedly right for druggists to the power to dispense liquor requi prescriptions, but why should no people holding shop licences sup state? It could as easily be put four or six-ounce as in pint or quart

delphia, says The Times of that to find instances of affection for de tic animals taking the form of pre of rich jewelry to unappreciative pe lady in that city has a starling for she had made a diamond studded unappreciative bird do but escape his collar and eat the diamonds. the lady was in despair, and sen a bird doctor, who administered a p which so disgusted the ridiculou that he turned his toes to the d bird. The story of Jane Hading dog collar selling at auction for mond and pearl pendants bringing 000 comes from Paris. It goes w saying that Jane frequently be the dogs' jewels and wore them on the stage. Mrs. Anna Comf St. Louis has a cat whose en pierced for diamond solitaires, wh wears on state occasions, and Mrs of Philadelphia has an English terrier that has a 14-karat gold worth \$200 with which she lea pampered pet in the park. Som she borrows the chain from the de wears it herself. It may be that are some fool ladies in Toronto



but if there are it has not been to hear of them, and I hope there

To talk about St. Andrew can be called echoing the day for th val of the good saint-bless his fell upon a day nearly a month rear. But a correspondent says made a bet-they are always bets, these strange corresponde St. Andrew was no more a Sc than St. George of dragon fame Englishman. So far as I can St. Andy was not the evangelist land, though little more is know than what the New Testament Even here his name occurs but at the beginning of the Acts Apostles. According to Eusebi history was written nearly t turies later, he went as a missi Scythia. Jerome and Theodor