feet would make a good neighborhood playground. Too many children gathered in one place is not desirable.

WINTER SPORTS.

Children need outdoor amusements in winter as well as in summer, and if there is the willingness to provide for their needs it can be done without great expense. Free skating rinks should be numerous. Thousands of



PLEASURES OF COUNTRY LIFE.

children have been denied the pleasure and benefit of skating because they could not pay for admission to rinks. The civic government, as the guardian of children should be interested in the welfare and happiness of future citizens, and should make recreation and simple sport as free as the air. Healthy enjoyment should never depend on the possession of wealth. The