WISCONSIN DESIRES MORE SETTLERS.

The Wisconsin State Board of Immigration, created by an act of the Legislature of 1894–1895, has for its purpose the promoting of immigration to the State. More especially is this sought for the northern part of Wisconsin. To that end the Board will, by any means within its power, assist people with information who may desire to take advantage of the opportunities offered. Any inquiries for information not contained in this pamphlet can be addressed to Mr. George W. Bishop, Secretary of the State Board of Immigration, at Rhinelander, Wisconsin, and will be promptly attended to, and any information regarding a certain county or locality of the State can be easily obtained by addressing the local Immigration Board of that County. A list of the members of each County Immigration Board will be found in this pamphlet. They are all representative men of their community, and interested in its development. They are anxious that the opportunities which there await home-seekers be taken advantage of. They will not only furnish cheerfully any information desired by correspondence, but they will gladly show people about who desire to investigate their respective counties, and any home-seeker who desires to view the lands which he or his friends may wish to purchase will be shown them by some of the members of these Boards. They are not land agents with land to dispose of to people regardless of whether or not it will prove satisfactory for farming purposes, but are organized and will work for the sole purpose of settling their respective counties, and will, so far as lies in their power, see that the settler is advantageously located and that his efforts prove successful, for in the success of a few lies the secret of securing many. Many of the counties of Northern Wisconsin
now offering hundreds of thousands of acres of land for farming purposes are at present by no means small from an agricultural standpoint. In fact some of the counties are among the leaders of crop-growers in the State. At the State Fair held in Milwaukee in 1895, where all sections of the State had exhibits, the highest award for vegetables was given to a county which borders upon Lake Superior, and the grain and general farm product exhibits of a number of Northern Wisconsin counties were excelled by none located in the old rich agricultural districts. What can be done in the way of farming in this section of country has been thoroughly established, and as personal investigation is always best, Wisconsin asks any and all who are looking for homes where labor will bring its highest reward, to investigate the State before they locate elsewhere.

A large, finely-illustrated book has been prepared by Prof. W. A. Henry, Dean of the Wisconsin Agricultural College. It is a treatise on the climate, soil and other advantages of Northern Wisconsin, and shows over one hundred views of growing crops in that section. A copy of this book can be had by writing Mr. Geo. W. Bishop, Secretary of the Immigration Board.

The object of the Legislature in passing the law creating the Board of Immigration and expressed in the act was to make known conservatively what inducements Wisconsin offers to people desiring a home, and to secure for those people, who wish to make settlement within the borders of the State, fair treatment from the land-owners and full opportunity to take advantage of the many excellent chances that await them. The movement is in no sense a commercial one, as the State does not seek to sell its own land, but, as a commonwealth, looks for its reward in the settlement of the underdeveloped sections and in the increased population of the thinly-settled portions of the State and the increased valuation of the State's property.