

THE STATE WILL TREAT NEW-COMERS FAIRLY.

When the home-seeker is asked which locality he would choose — one which is offered him simply to effect a sale and secure a profit on land for some speculator; and one which is offered him by the people of the State for the reason that they desire more industrious farmers to settle up a large undeveloped section, and to that end give him encouragement and protection, which all new-comers in a country need — he will promptly answer: the latter. The various counties and towns in the thinly-settled portion of Wisconsin invite all who desire to secure a home for themselves, whether or not they are possessed of abundant means. All they ask is that the new-comer shall be industrious, willing to work for his own interests and permanently become one of them. Under these conditions the new settler is given advantages that cannot be obtained under any other. The question of taxes is a highly important one to the farmer, and the policy of all the towns and counties in Wisconsin which invite this immigration is to treat the new-comer in a fair, business-like way that they will be well satisfied with, and in a manner that will induce them to write their friends that it is a good country to live in, and a good community to be associated with. The taxes upon the lands offered for settlement will not average over ten cents per acre, but of course as improvements are made the taxes will be more, but never more than the farmer himself will think just or equitable. The building of towns with their many extensive improvements at the start is not one of the tax-increasing propositions that the settler in Wisconsin has to meet. Lands which will be secured by settlers in this State are within easy access of towns

which now have all these improvements. They have been built by the manufacturing interest, and the farmer has to pay none of the bills for costly court-houses, jails, schools and other public improvements. The policy of the Wisconsin people is to encourage and satisfy the immigrants to their State instead of to secure them for speculative purposes.