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ELKS BANQUET AT TOURNAMENT CLOSE.

Following the close of their bowling tournament the Elks served an elaborate banquet to the tens of thousands at their club-house last night at which Daniel J. Clifford, exalted ruler, presided. A valuable gift was presented to Steward David F. Donovan for his services.

PEASE DENIES REPORT OF STAMFORD APPOINTMENT.

County Sheriff Simeon Pease said today he couldn't understand how the report started that he had appointed Joseph Culucci deputy sheriff in Stamford. The sheriff declared he had made no such appointment. He does not intend to appoint any deputy there now, although he did think at one time that he would name a deputy to serve for a few weeks in order to clear up an important case. The report about Culucci's appointment stated that he would attend to the criminal work in Stamford.

Commodities Freight Increase Disallowed

Washington, Jan. 11.—Proposed increases in class and commodity rates by rail and lake routes between New England and middle Atlantic states pointed out by the Interstate Commerce commission. Increases proposed were about five per cent.

THIS KIDNEY MEDICINE MAKES FRIENDS EVERYWHERE

About four years ago I had a severe attack of kidney trouble and Gravel of the bladder. I was afflicted this way for one year and had severe pains in my back and shooting pains in my bladder. I got so bad that I was not able to work for about two months; I could not rest at night; I would have to get up several times during the night to urinate and at these times it caused me great pain. I read so much and heard so much of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root I decided to try Swamp-Root; after taking several bottles I was restored to good health and I have not been troubled with my kidneys and bladder since. I cheerfully recommend Swamp-Root to others with kidney and bladder troubles.

Yours respectfully,
F. H. FLEMING,
802 E. 14th St., Pittsburg, Kansas.

Personally appeared before me this 5th day of May, 1915, F. H. Fleming, who subscribed to the above statement and made oath that the same is true in substance and in fact.

Joseph Keys, Justice of the Peace,
and in aid for the County of Crawford and State of Kansas.

Send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample size bottle. It will convince anyone. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention the Bridgeport Farmer. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.—Adv.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPECIALTY FARMING IN NEW ENGLAND

The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company has prepared and is distributing through its Industrial Bureau an illustrated booklet showing the golden opportunities for specialty farming in southern New England. This booklet is prefaced with a resume of the agricultural situation in this section of the country, and contains three articles on the possibilities for agricultural development in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut. One article is by William D. Hurd, Director of Extension Service, Massachusetts Agricultural College, on the situation in Massachusetts, with particular reference to the agricultural products of that state. Another article is by Prof. George E. Adams, of the Rhode Island State College, on the agricultural possibilities of Rhode Island; and the third article is by Dr. G. D. Jarvis, of the Connecticut Agricultural College, on the opportunities in Connecticut.

Consumption of Foodstuffs.

In the three southern New England states 92 per cent. of the population live in towns of 2,500 or over. Due somewhat to this large urban population this section of the country does produce over 30 per cent. of the food products it consumes, according to estimates. New England produces 18 per cent. of the nation's industrial wealth, and southern New England produces 84.7 per cent. of the industrial wealth of New England.

Where such a large proportion of the population is engaged in other pursuits than that of the production of food products, it is not surprising that the district is not considered as an important agricultural field, yet the very conditions that make southern New England the great industrial center that it is, magnify the opportunities for agricultural expansion. This is particularly true of certain specialties in food products for which the land and climatic conditions are particularly adaptable.

The educational and social advantages are unexcelled, and there are more and better transportation facilities, steam, electric and water, than

Conditions in Connecticut.

In his article on Connecticut agriculture, Dr. Jarvis remarks that "it seems remarkable that it should be necessary to call attention to the agricultural opportunities of a section where American agriculture had its birth. Agriculture was a profitable industry in Connecticut long before the great grain and meat producing sections of the middle west and the great fruit growing sections of the Pacific coast were known. During the years following the Civil War and during the period of railway extension through the western sections, people were attracted by the cheap fertile lands. At that time there was a real attraction, but that condition no longer exists, for the free land has all been acquired and land values have risen to such an extent that settlers are now attracted to the east. The once fertile soils of the west are gradually becoming depleted of their natural fertility and the time has come when the western farmer must consider the matter of replenishing his soil. The balance of favor is now swinging toward the east. The westerner finds it more difficult every year to compete with the eastern farmer, who is right at the door of the best American markets and who is within a few hours' run of the best exporting points.

Connecticut has favorable climatic conditions and available lands. The average value per acre of farm land in 1910, according to the Census report was \$33.03. There is a population of over 1,000,000, and the transportation facilities to the great markets are unequalled in any section of the country.

Raising Hogs in New England.

In any other part of the western world of the same area. Summed up, the manifold opportunities for the agriculturist in southern New England are: (1) cheap land, including buildings; (2) productive land, (3) plenty of moisture, (4) cheap lime, (5) long season, (6) more than 5,000,000 persons comprising a large consuming urban population, creating the best produce markets in the world; (7) markets within a few hours of the most distant point of production, (8) state roads, hundreds of steam and electric freight and passenger trains each day, water transportation; (9) excellent banking facilities, (10) the best of educational and social advantages.

Massachusetts Opportunities.

In his article on Massachusetts Mr. Hurd presents some estimates, obtained from reliable sources, showing the difference between the amount of food products produced and consumed within the borders of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In eggs and poultry the annual consumption amounts to about \$25,000,000, while the production is only \$5,000,000, or 20 per cent. of the amount consumed. There are thousands of acres of land adapted to poultry raising, particularly in the central and southeastern sections of the state that can be purchased at from \$10 to \$30 per acre.

"We produce about \$8,000,000 of vegetables annually," writes Mr. Hurd, "and consume fully \$12,000,000. Hundreds of carloads of these products come from California and the South. These are even brought here during the growing season in this region. It is not uncommon for market gardeners to receive from \$500 to \$1,000 an acre for their products. We are told that there are 140,000 acres of unimproved, yet improvable land, which are not yielding anything of value at the present time. Much of this land is admirably adapted to the growing of vegetables and should be developed and used."

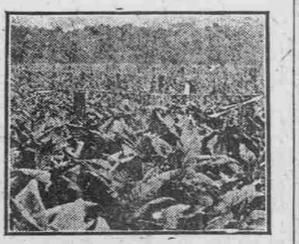
"The significant thing about Massachusetts agriculture," Mr. Hurd points out, "is that none of our markets are supplied with what they need, and land which can produce the very products that we are importing from other places is available at extremely low prices. That individual, state or nation is most prosperous which comes nearest to being self supporting. The agricultural problem—and the opportunity, too—is to take care of the industrial life that has developed, con-

serve our soil resources and make the most of our agricultural advantages."

Possibilities in Rhode Island.

Professor Adams brings out some very pertinent facts in his article on the possibilities for agricultural development in Rhode Island. This state is the most densely populated state in the nation, and as such offers unexcelled opportunities for marketing agricultural products. In common with other New England states, Rhode Island has a higher yield per acre of corn than any other section of the country, and yet there is a great field for improvement in yield. There are ideal opportunities in poultry farming. According to the figures from the last United States census, the number of fowls per capita in the country was 3.2, while in Rhode Island the number was only 0.75 of a fowl. Professor Adams states:

"At the present time there is no section of the country which offers a greater diversity of opportunity for the development of a profitable agricultural enterprise than does the state of Rhode Island. No other section of the country offers more diversified markets than are to be found within her borders. The manufacturing communities which always rely to consume the bulk of the crops at good



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prices prevent any large waste of produce while the wealthier portion of our population offers an excellent market for the highest grade goods which the farmers can produce.

"Rhode Island today has the best of markets near which are located cheap lands, which if properly developed will produce a wide diversity of farm products selling for a higher price per acre than the farm crops in any other section of the country."

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Dairy Short Horn Cattle.

elation from the consumer. Truck gardening and the raising of small fruits are two of the most profitable industries that have been developed, and enormous profits are being made per acre by those who have seen the opportunity and have taken advantage of it. Tobacco is also one of the large crops, and there are some 17,000 acres devoted to this crop alone yielding over 28,000,000 pounds yearly.

The booklet, copies of which may be obtained from the Industrial Bureau of the New Haven Railroad, Boston, is an absorbing story of the possibilities awaiting the investor in the agricultural resources of the southern New England section. It contains forty pages and has over twenty-five illustrations of actual results attained in southern New England.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS TO PREPARE REGISTER FOR MANY POSITIONS

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that the annual first grade or clerical examinations will be held at Bridgeport, Conn., on March 4, 1916, for the purpose of establishing registers from which certification may be made to fill vacancies as they may occur in positions as follows:

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Exports of sugar from the Philippine Islands during 1915 amounted to 208,000 tons as compared with 235,000 tons in 1914.

Nicaraguan customs receipts during October amounted to \$63,800 compared with \$77,998 for the same month in 1914.

No member of the Greek Royal family has yet visited or written to King Peter of Serbia who is at Salonica, on Greece soil.

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