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## OFFICIAL FACTS AS TO WAGES AND COST OF LIVING.

**Labor Commissioner Wright's Reports Show That, While Prices of Necessaries Have Advanced, Wages Have Increased In Greater Proportion.**

It is the boast of the Republican party that the success of its principles and its policies is registered in the welfare of the people and in the solidity and soundness of the government finances. Evidences of the success of Republican principles as embodied in economic laws placed upon the statute books by the party are everywhere to be found. Protection has brought prosperity because it has quickened the pulse of industry, given employment to labor and brought new life to industrial conditions, which under Democratic policies had reached the lowest stage of stagnation and decay during the period of failure and ruin which followed Democratic administration and laws from 1893 to 1897.

The convincing proof that the protective policy re-established by the Republican party in the enactment of the Dingley tariff law has brought material betterment to the industries and labor of the country is manifest to every observing man. Increased production in all lines, better prices, more employment for labor at better wages—all these things are the natural and sure attendants upon the prosperity which protection to the industries of the United States has brought to the country.

Facts in support of this contention of the friends of the protective policy have been produced by the investigation into the trend of wages and prices in the country during the past ten years. This investigation was conducted by the Hon. Carroll D. Wright, commissioner of labor in the United States department of commerce and labor. It is perfectly natural also that these nonpartisan scientifically deduced facts regarding wages and prices should be denounced by the free trade element in the Democratic party and that from the campaign managers of that party there should at once go up shouts of derision and criticism of Colonel Wright's facts and figures. The free traders wince under the showing made for the cause of protection, and they exhibit the rage they feel and which causes them to rush in blindly with senseless criticism of these government statistics.

In the first place, let us look for a moment at just what the investigation by the labor bureau demonstrates and see if it is not squarely in accord with the facts known of all men.

The investigation covered the actual expenditures in more than three thousand families widely scattered throughout the country for food alone. It is well known that amid the general rise in prices which followed the return of good times and confidence accompanying the restoration of the protective policy by the passage of the Dingley tariff act in 1897 food prices rose more rapidly and higher than other prices. The government investigation showed that the rise in food prices averaged 15.5 per cent—that is to say, they were approximately so much higher in 1903 compared with 1896. This covers more than twenty different articles of food. During the same time, as is shown by the investigation into the changes in wages, as illustrated by the cases of more than 170,000 wage earners in all kinds of industries, chiefly the so called protected industries, the rise in wages registered 16.3 per cent higher than they were ten years previously.

Thus it is officially recorded that the sound economic principles recognized by all students of industrial conditions, better prices in a good and protected home market, increasing wages, shorter hours, more employment, greater distribution of money wages among the workers of the country—all these have been the features of the improved industrial conditions since 1897, when the Dingley tariff act, restoring protection and confidence among the people, became a law and a blessing to the people of the United States.

The Wright report hits the cause of free trade a telling blow. It is a demonstration of the practical utility, soundness and efficiency of the protective tariff law of the United States.

### Failed of Its Purpose.

Pennsylvania's little old 485,000 majority for Roosevelt indicates that the campaign yarn about the president having sneered at the Quakers failed to make a hit in the Quaker State.—Chicago News.

### The Grange Assisted.

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| Loans and discounts | $179,965 60 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure circulation | 50,000 00 |
| Premium on U. S. Bonds | 2,000 00 |
| Stock securities | 46,700 00 |
| Furniture | 1,000 00 |
| Due from Banks and approved Res. Agt. | 99,631 91 |
| Redemption fund U. S. Treasurer | 2,500 00 |
| Special and Legal Tender notes | 27,449 69 |
| Total | $404,647 23 |

LIABILITIES.

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| Capital | $50,000 00 |
| Surplus and undivided profits | 21,567 88 |
| Circulation | 50,000 00 |
| Dividends unpaid | 4 00 |
| Deposits | 283,079 35 |
| Total | $404,647 23 |

State of Pennsylvania County of Sullivan ss.
I, M. D. Swarts cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
M. D. SWARTS. Cashier.
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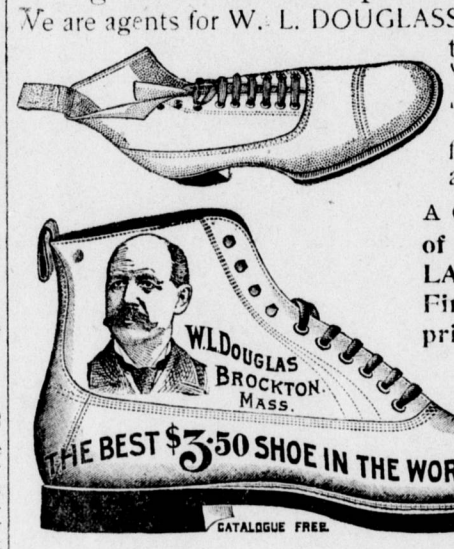


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| P. M. | P. M. | P M | A M | A. M. | A M | STATIONS. | A M | A M | A M. | P. M. | P M | P M | PM | PM |
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| 10 15 | 12 50 | 4 20 | 5 25 | 10 22 | 7 51 | .....Halls... | 6 20 | 7 25 | 10 10 | 12 15 | 4 00 | 5 05 | ..... | 1000 |
| 10 20 | 12 55 | f4 23 | 5 30 | f 10 25 | f7 53 | .....Pennsdale... | 6 15 | 7 30 | 10 05 | 12 12 | 3 56 | 5 00 | ..... | 9 55 |
| 10 30 | 1 05 | 4 32 | 5 40 | 10 34 | 8 02 | ..Hughesville... | 6 00 | 7 20 | 9 55 | 12 00 | 3 45 | 4 50 | ..... | 9 45 |
| ..... | 1 13 | 4 39 | 5 48 | 10 41 | 8 09 | Picture Rocks. | ..... | ..... | 9 45 | 11 00 | 3 36 | ..... | ..... | 8 29 |
| ..... | 1 19 | f4 43 | ..... | ..... | f | ...Lyons Mills... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 8 ... |
| ..... | 1 26 | 4 45 | ..... | ..... | f8 15 | ....Chamounf... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 53 | 3 28 | ..... | ..... | 8 24 |
| ..... | 1 34 | 4 52 | ..... | ..... | 8 21 | ...Glen Mawr... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 46 | 3 22 | ..... | ..... | 8 17 |
| ..... | 1 40 | f5 00 | ..... | ..... | f8 28 | ..Strawbridge.... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 34 | 3 13 | ..... | ..... | 8 06 |
| ..... | 1 43 | f5 05 | ..... | ..... | f | ...BeechGlen.... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 33 | 3 09 | ..... | ..... | 8 03 |
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| ..... | ..... | 5 13 | ..... | ..... | 8 42 | ...Sonestown... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 23 | 3 10 | ..... | ..... | 7 55 |
| ..... | ..... | 5 28 | ..... | ..... | 8 57 | ....Nordmont... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 38 |
| ..... | ..... | f5 43 | ..... | ..... | f | ....Mokoma..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 18 |
| ..... | ..... | 5 45 | ..... | ..... | 9 12 | ....Laporte..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 9 42 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 16 |
| ..... | ..... | f5 58 | ..... | ..... | f9 22 | ....Kingdale..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 9 22 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6 59 |
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| | | | | | 9 45 | Eagles Mere | | | 2 45 | | | | | |
| | | 6 23 | | 9 49 | | ...Dushore..... | | | | 7 56 | | 6 28 | | |
| | | 7 26 | | 10 50 | | ...Towanda... | | | | 7 05 | | 5 30 | | |
| | | | | 12 10 | | Wilkes Barre | | | | | | 3 05 | | |
| 5 00 | 4 00 | | 12 29 | 10 00 | 7 30 | Williamsport | 6 30 | 10 39 | | 12 39 | 5 37 | | 10 31 | |

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