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THE STANDARD OF LIVING

What it Costs a New York Workingman to Support His Wife and Family and Four Children in Decency -- A Two Years' Study of 391 Families.

New York, March 25.—"Can a man decently support a wife and family of two to four children in New York city on a salary of \$800 a year?" That's the problem that a group of students in New York have been working on for two years, and their report, just published, draws up the first scientific and philosophical conclusions on the standard of living in New York city. It is a statistical study, and statistics usually frighten people, but if figures ever lied and told stories for themselves of deprivation and extravagance, foresight and lack of judgment, saving and spending, these statistics of workingmen's families in New York certainly tell a tale of their own.

And they have a practical bearing, too, for the Buffalo Charity Organization Society is the result of the research that through this investigation in the work of giving out relief in that city. Charities and the Commons, the New York magazine noted to society welfare, used the conclusions of the investigation in studying a strike of clay workers in Perth Amboy last winter when the minimum standard set by the report of the investigation was measured against the actual amount of wages being received by the workers, and the wages given to the brick-pottery men were found to be "way below the required standard of living set by the investigators."

The investigation was carried on through the co-operation of volunteers, trade union members and paid schedule-reporters furnished by the Russell Sage Foundation. Independent families were not included. The visitors tried to find normal families having both parents living with two to four children and no other dependent persons. The leading nationalities were included in the investigation which took in a study of 391 families who answered the scheduled questions with a surprising degree of willingness. The expected "none of your business" answer was forthcoming in only a few cases, but on the whole the visitors were treated with consideration although some of the intimate questions were asked. One visitor tells this story about the item of expenditure for "drinks away from home": "When 'liquors' were spoken of, the wife, who was in charge, emphatically exclaimed, 'Nothing.' At this the father, sitting silently and letting the words do the work of the tongue, turned toward the street. However, looking straight into the father's face, I emphasized the word 'drinks away from home,' and he could no longer resist himself. About ten to fifteen glasses of beer a day and a glass of whiskey," he mumbled.

Of the 391 families whose home stories were recorded, 318 had incomes ranging from \$600 to \$1,100. The 25 below \$600 and the 48 above \$1,100 are included, and most of the attention is given to the 318 families within the narrower range. Thirty-eight of the fathers were laborers, thirty were teamsters and sixty-six were workmen. In these occupations, where it is seldom possible for the father to earn more than \$600 or \$800 a year, it was found that the father and mother must work, or lodgers must be taken, if the family is to enjoy anything beyond bare necessities. Forty-two of the fathers earned less than \$600 a year, twenty boys and twenty-five girls and, strange as it may seem, more children were found employed in the small income groups. In the 318 families whose incomes ranged from \$600 to \$1,100, there were 103 wage-earners besides the father and of these 103 persons 58 were mothers, 27 working as janitresses, in many cases in the tenements in which they lived.

Hard times often mean a good deal to the man with a respectable income. The burden comes hardest on these families already pretty close to the border line. Of the 198 Manhattan families who had been a year or more in the same tenement, the average increase of rent from 50 cents to \$5 a month since 1905. One family on Essex street has been in its present tenement for 10 years. It now pays \$12 a month for four rooms, with toilet in apartment. Two years before the rent was \$18. Twenty-seven per cent. of all expenditures is paid for rent, on the average, by the eight families with incomes between \$400 and \$500, and 28 per cent. for the families with incomes between \$500 and \$600. The 63 families with incomes between \$600 and \$1,000 average only 19 per cent., although 10 of the 10 families with incomes between \$600 and \$800 are under the 22 per cent. of those with incomes of \$800 to \$900, and 18 per cent. of those with incomes between \$900 and \$1,100. Of those who incomes below \$600 three-quarters were found under-clothed, while only 1 in 2 of the families with over \$1,000 to spend falls in this category.

Doctors' bills are so intermittent in the history of any family that it is not possible to treat them like the regularly recurring expenditure for food and rent. The average expenditure for health ranges from \$13.75 for the families with incomes of \$400 and \$700, to \$23.30 for families with incomes between \$900 and \$1,100. It falls to \$14.80 in the \$1,000 group, and rises, on account of a few cases where the amount is very high, to \$40.18 for the \$1,100 families. The percentage of total expenditure that is for health for this purpose likewise fluctuates. It is 2.1 in the \$600 group, 1.9 in the \$700 group, 2.7 and 2.8 in the next two income groups, but falls to 1.5 in the \$1,000 families.



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