

Pittsburg Pa.

April 09

Tarbell.

Kindly ask some of

your critiques how much a day do the Black  
Diamond Steel company pay their labours  
per day of 8 hours I believe the answer if it be  
truthfully give will be 82<sup>cts</sup> The owner of  
the Gazette Times paid his men 98<sup>cts</sup> a day  
Still his paper criticizes you attack your critique  
what do the pay per day for girls and women  
at Ward Mackey Bakery I Seunges Model  
pickel factory and a great many other factories  
and shops and stores What wages do the Kaufman  
Brothers pay their girl employees their store  
is the largest in Pittsburg A four room house  
fit for a workman to live in cost him 15<sup>00</sup> per  
month During the winter months Butter is  
sold here at 45<sup>00</sup> a pound eggs at 48<sup>00</sup> doz potatoes  
are selling at the present in Pittsburg at 125<sup>00</sup>  
bushel What can a workman eat when the staple  
necessities are so high We have a Working Girl  
Home in Gross Street this city girls are  
charged \$7<sup>00</sup> per week for board and lodges

can a girl earning from three to four dollar a week  
 thousand of girls here only earn the above  
 amounts And yet the Allegha Daily Working Girls  
 Home is considered a semi charitable institution  
 Pictura a man earning 82cts a day renting a house  
 at \$15.00 per Month his family would live on  
 the fat of the land And yet Solomon in all his  
 glory would not be arrayed like like this man  
 his wife and children if we are to believe your  
 rduques About a year ago the commission  
 merchants of this city gave away 3 carload of  
 cabbage potatoes and turnips and 1500 people  
 were at the commission yard anxious and thank  
 ful for what they receive If you will write  
 to the evil commission of Pittsburg they  
 can tell you how many have applied to them  
 for city work from what I can learn over  
 10,000 men have applied since Jan 1st 1909

A Pittsburgher who believe in telling  
 the truth hurt who it may

Black Diamond Steel Company's Wages

month	labors month
Rent 15.00	Wages 21.32
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	Fat living 6.32
	extravagance Bank account

Crucible steel trust  
 In Pitt

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New potatoes selling in Pottsburg  
today April 29. at 2.40 per bushel retail

Wage at Black Diamond <sup>Steel work 2<sup>1/2</sup> a day 3 hour</sup>  
3.1 at at  
Pott.

9 in Pittsburg Lovejoy's Garage  
Cost \$125,000<sup>m</sup> Braddock Ave

Pearock's Stable \$25000 in Highland Ave

Palaces for automobiles and horse  
hotels for the men that helped the  
millionaire to acquire his wealth

The truth hits hard and makes the  
rascals yell

The Keystone Bridge Co another  
Pittsburg concern in which A Carnegie  
was and perhaps still is paid <sup>checked</sup> as high as  
122 per day to men who worked in the  
rain and snow doing heaviest and hardest  
kind of work Who built the Libraries