

(3.) INANGAHUA GOLD-MINERS.

Before the Board of Conciliation, in the Westland Industrial District.—In the matter of an industrial dispute between the Consolidated Goldfields of New Zealand (Limited), and the Inangahua Miners' Industrial Union of Workers, and of a reference thereof for settlement.

The Board of Conciliation have the honour to report that they have been unable to bring about any settlement of the above-mentioned industrial dispute satisfactory to the parties thereto, and that the following is their decision upon the questions referred to them:—

That the rate of wages be as follows: Miners, 9s. per day; truckers, 8s. per day; battery-feeders, 8s. per day; surface-hands, 8s. per day; shift bosses, 11s. 8d. per day; and that the working hours be eight per day.

The fifth order of reference, "Contracting to be abolished," was withdrawn by the Inangahua Miners' Industrial Union of Workers.

Dated at Reefton, the 10th day of September, 1896.

On behalf of the Board of Conciliation,

D. MACFARLANE, Chairman.

The Clerk of Awards, Westland Industrial District.