

(3.) CHRISTCHURCH CARPENTERS.

Board of Conciliation, Canterbury District.—In the matter of “The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894,” and the Acts amending the same; and in the matter of a dispute between the Christchurch Builders’ Association and the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners and the Canterbury Carpenters and Joiners’ Association.

The Board of Conciliation for the Canterbury District, having taken into consideration the above dispute, and having taken evidence and heard argument, recommend as follows:—

That the working rules annexed to the said dispute be amended as follows:—

1. That the minimum wage for a thoroughly competent tradesman be 10s. per day. Men who are considered to be unable to earn the minimum wage shall be paid such lesser sum, if any, as a committee of the employers and workmen (which this Board suggests should be set up for the purpose of settling minor disputes) shall agree upon.

2. This rule to stand.

3. At the end of this rule, for “time and a half” substitute “time and a quarter for the first four hours, and time and a half afterwards.”

4. After the word “shall” in the first line, add the words “be conveyed or.”

5. The suburban limit for men walking to their work shall be one mile from the Town Belt nearest the place at which the work is being carried on. Beyond that distance rule 4 to apply.

6. Employers shall employ members of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners and the Carpenters and Joiners’ Association, or members of any other properly constituted union of carpenters and joiners, in preference to non-members, provided that the members of the unions are equally qualified with non-members to perform the particular work required to be done and are ready and willing to undertake it. When non-members are employed there shall be no distinction between members and non-members; both shall work together in harmony, and both shall work under the same conditions and receive equal pay for equal work. Any dispute under this rule, if it cannot be settled by the committee above referred to, shall be decided by the Board of Conciliation.

7. This rule to stand.

The increase of wages provided for in rules 1 and 3 to come into operation on Monday, the 24th day of May next.

Dated at Christchurch, this 6th day of April, 1897.

H. J. BESWICK, Chairman.

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The Board of Conciliation for the Canterbury District hereby reports that it has been unable to bring about a settlement of the above dispute satisfactory to the parties hereto.

Dated this 3rd day of May, 1897.

H. J. BESWICK, Chairman.
