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(21.) WELLINGTON BUILDING TRADE.

Before the Board of Conciliation, Wellington Industrial District.—

In the matter of an industrial dispute between the Wellington branch of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners'

Industrial Union of Workers and the Wellington Meat-export Company and other employers, and of a reference thereof for settlement.

[The union required the employers mentioned to be brought under the award of the Court of Arbitration given in February.]

On Thursday, the 16th March, 1899, this dispute came on for hearing before the Board, who sat on that date and on Monday, the 20th March, 1899, when they resolved as follows: "That an industrial agreement be drawn embodying the particulars of dispute, and that the same be left at the office of the Clerk of Awards for signature. If same be not signed within seven days from the present date the Chairman may file a final report to permit of appeal to Court of Arbitration." And the Board having been informed that the industrial agreement was not left at the office of the Clerk of Awards so as to permit of its being signed within seven days from the passing of the resolution—viz., from the 20th day of March, 1899—but that it had been tendered to the parties whose signatures were required in order that they might sign the same, the Board were again convened, and do now meet on this 4th day of May, 1899, at the Supreme Court Buildings; and evidence having been given of the above facts, and that the parties whose signatures are required having refused to sign the said industrial agreement, this Board do now report that they have been unable to bring about any settlement of the dispute referred to them satisfactory to the parties thereto.

Dated this 4th day of May, 1899.

W. H. QUICK, Chairman.