(15.) AUCKLAND BOOTMAKERS.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern Industrial District.—In the matter of "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act. 1894." and the amendments thereof, and in the matter of an industrial dispute between Auckland Operative Bootmakers' Industrial Union of Workers and the Auckland Boot-manufacturers' Industrial Union of Employers and the following employers: A. and G. Brooks, Edward Bridgers, George Alexander Coles, Buckland and Co., Co-operative Boot Company, Henry Dayy, Dymock and Co., Felton Brothers, Joseph Graham, Hebden and Dymock, William Hoskins, Albert Hughes, Johnston Brothers, George Jones and Son, Murray and McGinlay, Northern Boot Company, Thomas Prosser; Parker, Green, and Co.; Alfred Rhodes, Schofield and Son, John Trenwith, Walton and Sons, B. Crocker, Alfred Walker, William Holdsworth, Richard White, Charles Sexton, George Foster, Philip Blampid, John Stevens, A. J. Whittington, J. N. Young, and William Kattens; and in the matter of an award of the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern Industrial District, dated the 24th day of July, 1899, signed by the President of the said Court, and sealed with the seal thereof, and deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Northern Industrial District aforesaid, in the City of Auckland.

This agreement made in pursuance of "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894," and the amendments thereof, this 6th day of September, 1899, between the employers whose names appear as signatories hereto (hereinafter termed "the employers"), of the one part, and the Auckland Operative Bootmakers' Industrial Union of Workers (hereinafter called "the Workers' Union") of the other part:

Whereas an industrial dispute has arisen within the meaning of the above-mentioned Act, and such industrial dispute was finally referred to the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern Industrial District, sitting at the City of Auckland: And whereas the said Court made its award on the said industrial dispute on the 17th day of July, 1899, and such award is duly deposited in the office of the Clerk of the said district in the said City of Auckland, and a true copy thereof is hereto annexed, marked "A": And whereas the employers were not cited to appear before the said Court, but have read the said award, and agree to be bound by the conditions of such award as though they have been made parties to it: Now this agreement witnesseth and it is agreed between the parties as follows:—

1. This agreement shall be an industrial agreement within the meaning of the Acts.

2. The parties hereto severally undertake and agree—

(1.) To be bound by the terms, conditions, and provisions contained in the said award.

(2.) To do, observe, and perform every matter and thing by the said award required to be done, observed, and performed by the several parties thereto respectively.

(3.) To do nothing in contravention of the said award mentioned

for the breach of the terms, conditions, and provisions thereof.

(4.) That the said award do take effect from the 24th day of July, 1899, and continue in force up to the 1st day of September, 1900.

(5.) That this document may be produced in evidence in any industrial dispute without objection being raised thereto.

In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this 6th day of September, 1899.

> ALF. JONES. W. H. JACOB. HENRY CULPAN.

Manager N.Z. Boot Factory.

FREDERICK WALKER,

Manager Bee-hive Boot Factory.

Witness—James Aggers.