

(76.) CANTERBURY CURRIERS.

Board of Conciliation, Canterbury District,
Christchurch, 23rd October, 1900.

SIR,—

No. 235.—Canterbury Curriers' Union and Messrs. Bowron Bros. and others.

The Board's recommendation in the above case is as follows:—

1. *Hours*.—That eight hours on the first five days of the week and four on Saturday constitute a week's work, each day to stand for itself.

2. *Overtime*.—That the first two hours be paid for at the rate of time and a quarter, and after that time and a half.

3. *Holidays*.—That New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, reigning Sovereign's birthday, Labour Day, Show Day, Anniversary Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day be recognised as holidays, and all work done on those days to be paid for at the rate of time and a half, and any work done on Sunday double time.

4. *Wages*.—That the minimum wage be 1s. 3d. per hour, to be paid weekly.

5. *Apprentices*.—That the number of apprentices be one to each three or fraction of the first three journeymen, such journeymen to be employed for nine months previous at two-thirds full time. That all apprentices be indentured for five years. Their wages to be: For the first year, 5s. per week; second, 10s.; third, 15s.; fourth, £1 5s.; fifth, £1 15s.

6. *Work*.—That all journeymen receive a fair division of work, so far as it can be arranged.

7. *Tools*.—That the employer supply all tools required, such tools remaining his property.

8. *Piece and Task Work*.—That piece and task work be not allowed.

9. *Preference to Members of Union*.—That preference of work be given to members of any New Zealand curriers' union.

10. *Workmen*.—That only two classes of workmen be recognised in the trade—viz., journeymen and apprentices.

An industrial agreement between the parties interested, embodying the above conditions, be entered into on or before the 31st October, 1900, and to remain in force for two years—i.e., until the 31st October, 1902.

I have, &c.,

A. H. TURNBULL, Chairman.

The Clerk of Awards, Christchurch.

Board of Conciliation, Canterbury District,
Christchurch, 14th December, 1900.

SIR,—

In the matter of the curriers' dispute.

I have to report that in the above case the Board has been unable to bring about a settlement of the dispute.

I have, &c.,

A. H. TURNBULL, Chairman.

The Clerk of Awards, Christchurch.