

(593.) CANTERBURY TANNERS, FELLMONGERS, AND SKINNERS.
—JUDGMENT EXTENDING AWARD TO FELLMONGERS.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Canterbury Industrial District. — In the matter of “The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1900,” and its amendment;

and in the matter of an award made by this Court in this industrial district in an industrial dispute between the Canterbury Tanners, Fellmongers, and Skinners' Industrial Union of Workers and Messrs. Bowron Bros., Walter Hill, Webster and Co., W. H. Clarke, W. Wood, T. York, Butcher and Sprange, J. Beaumont, W. R. Travis, Murgatroyd Bros., Thomas T. Robson, — Giffkins, William Nicholls, the Canterbury Frozen Meat Company, the Christchurch Meat Company, B. Bartram, — Butcher, T. McDonald, D. McCaskill, Thomas Rooney, and W. H. Alstead.

Thursday, the 21st day of May, 1903.

UPON hearing the application filed herein by the above-named union, and upon hearing the representatives of the said union and such of the above-named parties as were present or represented by their representatives duly appointed, and by consent of the said representatives of the said union and of such parties, the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand doth, in pursuance of the power reserved to it under clause 13 of the said award and of all other powers thereto it enabling, hereby order and award that youths and unskilled workers employed in fellmongeries shall be paid the following rates of wages: From the age of fifteen to sixteen years, 12s. 6d. per week; from sixteen to seventeen years, 15s. per week; from seventeen to eighteen years, 17s. 6d. per week; from eighteen to nineteen years, £1 per week; from nineteen to twenty years, £1 5s. per week; from twenty to twenty-one years, £1 10s. per year; over the age of twenty-one years, 10½d. per hour. Unskilled workers over the age of fifty-five years may be employed by any employer party to this award at paddocking wool or pulling pieces at a minimum wage of 7½d. per hour.

The above-mentioned rates and conditions shall come into operation on the 25th day of May, 1903, and shall continue in force so long as the above-mentioned award shall continue in force.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to operate in any subsequent dispute as an admission by the union, or by any of the employers parties to this award in any future dispute, that the said rates above set forth are to be continued in any subsequent award, nor to prevent the said union or any party to the said award from applying to the Court in any future dispute to fix the wages for the above classes of workers at a different rate and on a different scale to the rates and scale above set forth.

By the Court,
THEO. COOPER, J., President.
