(5201.) NORTH CANTERBURY BUILDERS', CONTRACTORS', AND GENERAL LABOURERS.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Canterbury Industrial District. — In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1908, and its amendments; and in the matter of the War Legislation and Statute Law Amendment Act, 1918; and in the matter of the North Canterbury Builders', Contractors', and General Labourers' award dated the 16th day of February, 1917, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xviii, p. 58.

UPON reading the application of the Canterbury Builders and General Labourers, Quarry-workers, and Wool and Grain Store Employees' Industrial Union of Workers filed herein on the 18th day of March, 1919, and after hearing the representative of the said union and the representatives of the employers parties to the said award, this Court, having regard to all the relevant considerations and being of opinion that it is just and equitable to amend the said award, doth hereby order that the said award shall be amended in manner following, that is to say—

1. Clause 2 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following clause substituted therefor :----

"2. (a.) The following shall be the minimum rates of wages to be paid to the several classes of workers hereinafter specified, that is to say—

"(i.) Tunnelmen at rock-tunnelling work, timber-work, or sinking shafts over 10 ft., 1s. 7¹/₂d. per hour.

"(ii.) Tunnelmen at clay-tunnelling work, and men in charge of derricks or scaffolding, 1s. 41d. per hour.

"(iii.) All other classes of labour, 1s. 3¹/₂d. per hour.

" (b.) In addition to the rates above specified there shall be paid to the workers above mentioned a bonus of $2\frac{1}{2}d$. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.

(c.) The above-mentioned bonus shall be excluded from the computation of overtime."

2. Clause 4 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following clause substituted therefor :---

"4. All time beyond the hours hereinbefore mentioned shall be considered overtime, and shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the first three hours and thereafter at double time."

3. This order shall operate and take effect from the 5th day of May, 1919.

Dated this 16th day of April, 1919.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.