

(5218.) OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT METAL-
WORKERS' ASSISTANTS.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Otago and Southland 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 Otago and Southland Industrial District Metal-workers' Assistants' award dated the 14th day of December, 1917, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xviii, p. 1221.

UPON reading the application of the Otago Metal-workers' Assistants' Industrial Union of Workers filed herein on the 26th day of March, 1919, and after hearing the representative of the said union and the representative of the employers, 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 be amended in manner following, that is to say—

1. Clause 3 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following clause substituted therefor:—

“ 3. (a.) The following shall be the minimum rates of wages: Furnacemen, 1s. 4½d. per hour; work done on ships or marine boiler repair work, 1s. 4½d. per hour; machinists, 1s. 4½d. per hour; all others, 1s. 3½d. per hour.

“ (b.) In addition to the rates above prescribed there shall be paid to the workers above mentioned a bonus of 2½d. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

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

“ 4. The wages of boys and youths shall be as follows: Under fifteen years of age, 15s. per week; from fifteen to sixteen years of age, £1 per week; from sixteen to seventeen years of age, £1 5s. per week; from seventeen to eighteen years of age, £1 10s. per

week; from eighteen to nineteen years of age, £1 15s. per week; from nineteen to twenty years of age, £2 per week; and thereafter the minimum rate of wages herein prescribed."

3. Clause 6 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following clause substituted therefor:—

"6. (a.) All work done in excess of the hours mentioned in clause 1 hereof shall count as overtime, and shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the first three hours, and thereafter double time until the ordinary time for commencing work next morning if worked continuously.

"(b.) Workers required to commence work between the hours of 6 a.m. and the ordinary time for commencing work shall be paid at the rate of time and a half for such time.

"(c.) For work done on Sunday, New Year's Day, 2nd January, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Sovereign's Birthday, Labour Day, Christmas Day, or Boxing Day double time shall be paid.

"(d.) No worker shall be required to work more than six hours continuously without an interval for a meal.

"(e.) In computing the rates of overtime payable under this clause the bonus hereinbefore mentioned shall not be taken into account."

4. This order shall operate and take effect from the 12th day of May, 1919.

Dated this 24th day of April, 1919.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.