## (5288.) NORTHERN DISTRICT (EXCEPT POVERTY BAY) CON-TRACTORS' LABOURERS.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern 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 Northern District (except Poverty Bay) Contractors' Labourers' award dated the 12th day of September, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 758.

UPON reading the application of the Auckland Builders, General, and other Labourers' Industrial Union of Workers filed herein on the 28th day of March, 1919, and upon hearing the duly appointed representatives of the said union and 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 5 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor :---

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

"(a.) Popper-drill men and shot-firers, 1s. 6d. per hour.

"((b.) Labourers employed in tunnels or in trenches of a depth of 7 ft. or over, 1s.  $4\frac{1}{2}d.$  per hour.

"(c.) Labourers employed in concrete-work, pick-and-shovel work, kerbing and channelling work, laying and cleaning drains, asphalt and tar work, and all other work of the same kind, 1s. 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. per hour.

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

2. This order shall operate and take effect from the 21st day of July, 1919.

Dated this 7th day of July, 1919.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.