(5386.) NORTHERN DISTRICT (EXCEPT POVERTY BAY) CURRIERS.—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) Curriers' award dated the 23rd day of September, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 894.

Upon reading the application of the Auckland Curriers' Industrial Union of Workers filed herein on the 11th day of April, 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 3 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following

provisions substituted therefor:

"3. (a.) The minimum wage for curriers shall be 1s. $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. per hour.

"(b.) An employer may arrange with any worker to do work as piecework provided a log for any such work shall have been first agreed on with the union. Until such log shall have been agreed upon piecework shall not be allowed.

"(c.) All wages shall be paid weekly immediately after work

has ceased.

"(d.) In addition to the minimum wage above prescribed 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."

2. This order shall operate and take effect from the 22nd day

of September, 1919.

Dated this 5th day of September, 1919.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.

MEMORANDUM.

The Canterbury employers in this industry having placed these workers on the plane of skilled workers, and conceded by agreement an increase in wages accordingly, the Court sees no reason why the same workers in Auckland should be treated differently, and it has therefore increased the basic wage to 1s. $7\frac{1}{2}$ d., with a compensatory bonus of $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. per hour.

T. W. Stringer, Judge.