(5398.) CANTERBURY MALE BOOT OPERATIVES.—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 Canterbury Male Boot Operatives' award dated the 17th day of October, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 994.

Upon reading the application of the Christchurch Operative Boot-makers' Society Industrial Union of Workers filed herein on the

20th day of August, 1919, and upon hearing the duly appointed representatives of the said union and of the employers parties to the said award and with the consent of the said 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 shall be amended in manner following, that is to say—

1. Clause 9 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following

provisions substituted therefor:-

"9. (a.) Except where otherwise provided herein the rates of wages for all workers coming within the scope of this award shall be 1s. 8d. per hour.

"(b.) The wage in every case is an hourly one, and a worker shall be entitled to be paid only for the time actually worked.

"(c.) Casual hands shall be paid not less than 1s. 9d. per hour.

"(d.) Any employer may enter into an agreement with any of his employees for the payment of a weekly wage of not less than £3 12s. 6d. per week, and no deduction shall be made from the weekly wage except for time lost through the worker's sickness or default."

2. Subclause (c) of clause 13 of the said award shall be deleted,

and the following provisions substituted therefor:

"(c.) Notwithstanding the foregoing it shall be competent for a committee consisting of two representatives from the union and two representatives from the employers to fix the wages of under-rate workers."

3. This order shall operate and take effect from the 31st day of August, 1919.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 1919.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.