

(5453.) AUCKLAND (FIFTEEN-MILES RADIUS) BUTCHERS AND PORK-BUTCHERS.—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 Auckland (Fifteen-miles Radius) Butchers and Pork-butchers' award dated the 25th day of September, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 905.

UPON reading the application of the Auckland Butchers, Meat-preservers, and Bacon-curers' Industrial Union of Workers filed herein on the 24th day of September, 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.) Workers shall be paid not less than the wages specified in the following scale: First shopman or man in charge, £4 per week; second shopman, £3 10s. per week; first small-goods man, £4 per week; all other workers employed in connection with the business, including shopmen, small-goods men, carters in charge

of hawking or order carts, and general hands, £3 5s. per week; drivers driving one horse, £3 per week; drivers driving two horses, £3 4s. per week.

“(b.) The wages hereinbefore prescribed are weekly wages, and are not subject to any deduction save for time lost through the default or illness of the worker.

“(c.) In addition to the wages above prescribed there shall be paid to the above-mentioned workers a bonus of 10 per cent. unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.

“(d.) Notwithstanding clause 2 hereof the existing custom of attending to horses on Sundays and holidays by beef-carters without payment of overtime may be continued.

“(e.) In computing overtime under clause 2 of the award the bonus above mentioned shall be excluded from the computation.”

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

“4. (a.) The minimum wage for casual hands (adults) shall be at the rate of 14s. per day for all ordinary days and 16s. for Saturdays.

“(b.) ‘Casual labour’ shall be deemed to mean employment of less duration than one week and terminated by the employer.

“(c.) No casual labour shall be allowed for boys.”

3. This order shall operate and take effect from the 10th day of November, 1919.

Dated this 28th day of October, 1919.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.