

(5489.) AUCKLAND (TEN-MILES RADIUS) DAIRY EMPLOYEES.—
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 (Ten-miles Radius) Dairy Employees' award dated the 8th day of February, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 1.

UPON reading the application of the Auckland Dairy Employees' Industrial Union of Workers filed herein on the 15th day of August, 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 2 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

“ 2. (a.) All retailers shall be paid a minimum wage of £3 5s. per week, and in addition to this sum they shall also be paid a commission to be computed upon the average excess of moneys received for milk sold by them over and above the following basis, and at the rate of 20 per cent. upon such excess sums: When the milk is sold at 3d. per quart the basis shall be £13 10s.; when the milk is sold at 3½d. per quart the basis shall be £14 10s.; when the milk is sold at 4d. per quart the basis shall be £15 10s.; and so on in proportionate increases of £1 for each ½d. per quart increase in the price of milk. Such average shall be ascertained once in every four weeks.

“ (b.) The commission shall be paid every four weeks. In the case of rounds where the total weekly value of the milk sold is higher than the basis, should the cash collected during the four weeks be less than the basis such shortage shall be deducted from the cash collected during each succeeding four-weekly period until the

shortage is made up, provided that in the case of rounds where the weekly value of the milk sold is under the basis this provision shall not apply until after the total value of the weekly sales is higher than the basis.

“(c.) When a milk-retailer is required to collect accounts other than his milk accounts he shall receive an additional commission of 5 per cent. on the gross takings in respect of such accounts.

“(d.) All wages shall be paid not later than Wednesday of each week.

“(e.) Each worker shall be supplied by his employer with 1 quart of milk per day free of charge.

“(f.) In addition to the minimum wage prescribed in sub-clause (a) of this clause there shall be paid to such workers a bonus of 5s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

2. 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.