(5533.) CANTERBURY FEMALE BOOKBINDERS, PAPER-RULERS, AND CUTTERS.—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 Female Bookbinders, Paperrulers, and Cutters' award dated the 19th day of July, 1918. and recorded in Bock of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 645.

Upon reading the application of the Christchurch Printing Trades Industrial Union of Workers filed herein on the 19th day of November, 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 the agreement arrived at between the representatives of the parties 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.) The minimum wage for females shall be: For the first six months, 15s. per week; for the second six months, 17s. 6d. per week; for the second year, £1 2s. 6d. per week; for the third year, £1 7s. 6d. per week; for the fourth year, £1 12s. 6d. per week; and thereafter £2 per week.

"(b.) Time lost by a worker through sickness or default, or through her voluntary absence from work with the consent of the

employer, may be deducted from her wages."

2. This order shall operate and take effect as from the 19th day of December, 1919.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1919.