

(5665.) DUNEDIN (FIFTEEN-MILES RADIUS) TIMBER-YARDS AND SAWMILLS EMPLOYEES.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Otago and Southland 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 Dunedin (Fifteen-miles Radius) Timber-yards and Sawmills Employees' award dated the 1st day of May, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 376; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 1st day of September, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 934.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 2nd day of February, 1920, 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, and by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred by the said Acts and of every other power in that behalf enabling it, doth hereby order that the said award shall be amended in manner following, that is to say—

1. The said order dated the 1st day of September, 1919, is hereby cancelled, and this order is substituted therefor.

2. Clauses 3, 4, and 5 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

“3. First sawyer (the man who sharpens, sets, and keeps in repair his saw, but hammering of the saw shall not be deemed to be included), 1s. 6½d. per hour.

“Other sawyers, 1s. 4½d. per hour.

“Tailers-out (if over the age of twenty-one years), 1s. 3½d. per hour.

“First-class machinist (a ‘first-class machinist’ is a man who is competent to and whose duty it is to put together and, if necessary, repair the different parts of woodworking machinery, and in the case of planing and moulding machines to make such moulding-irons and other cutters as may be required, and generally to direct and supervise the working operations of the various machines under his control), 1s. 7½d. per hour.

“Second-class machinist (a ‘second-class machinist’ is a man who is competent to and whose duty it is to set a machine and to grind the knives and keep the machine in good running order), 1s. 5½d. per hour.

“Other workers at machines (not included in the above), 1s. 3½d. per hour.

“Head yardman (a ‘head yardman’ is an employee who is in charge of the loading of trucks, wagons, carts, &c., and who measures and superintends the delivery of timber, and who is in charge of the yard, and to whose orders the other men in the yard are bound to conform), £3 10s. per week.

“ Orderman (an ‘ orderman ’ is a man who is engaged in getting out orders and returning the tallies of such orders to the office), £3 2s. 6d. per week.

“ Yard, mill, and factory labourers, 1s. 3½d. per hour.

“ Wood-turners, 1s. 7½d. per hour.

“ Spoke-turners and spoke-finishers, 1s. 4½d. per hour.

“ Sash and door hands, 1s. 5d. per hour.

“ Benders, 1s. 7½d. per hour.

“ 4. In addition to the minimum wages above prescribed there shall be paid to workers on an hourly wage a bonus of 2½d. per hour, and to workers on a weekly wage a bonus of 9s. per week, unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

3. Clause 6 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

“ 6. (a.) Employers may employ youths at not less than the following rates of wages per week: Under seventeen years of age, 19s. per week; from seventeen to eighteen years of age, £1 5s. per week; from eighteen to nineteen years of age, £1 11s. per week; from nineteen to twenty years of age, £1 17s. per week; from twenty to twenty-one years of age, £2 5s. per week.

“ (b.) In addition to the rates above prescribed there shall be paid to such boys or youths a bonus of 2s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

4. This order shall operate and take effect as from the 1st day of January, 1920.

Dated this 15th day of March, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.