

(5676.) OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND COACHWORKERS AND WHEEL-
WRIGHTS.—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 Otago and Southland Coachworkers and Wheelwrights' award dated the 18th day of October, 1916, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xvii, p. 1038; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 7th day of April, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 343.

Upon reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 19th 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 7th day of April, 1919, is hereby cancelled, and this order is substituted therefor.

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

“ 3. (a.) Wages shall be paid on an hourly basis.

“ (b.) The wages for journeymen coachworkers shall be not less than 1s. 7½d. per hour.

“ (c.) Wages shall be paid in full weekly or fortnightly, and within ten minutes after the hour for ceasing work.

“ (d.) In addition to the above wages there shall be paid to the said journeymen a bonus of 3½d. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

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

“ 6. (a.) An apprentice having completed his term of apprenticeship may be employed as an improver for two consecutive years

after the expiration of his apprenticeship, either by the employer with whom he has been apprenticed or by any other employer, at not less than 1s. 3d. per hour for the first twelve months and 1s. 4½d. per hour for the next twelve months."

4. Subclauses (c) and (d) of clause 9 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

"(c.) The minimum wage for helpers shall be as follows: From the age of fifteen to sixteen years, at the rate of 15s. per week; from the age of sixteen to seventeen years, at the rate of £1 per week; from the age of seventeen to eighteen years, at the rate of £1 5s. per week; from the age of eighteen to nineteen years, at the rate of £1 10s. per week; from the age of nineteen to twenty years, at the rate of £1 15s. per week; from the age of twenty to twenty-one years, at the rate of £2 per week; over twenty-one years of age, 1s. 3d. per hour.

"(d.) Extra helpers above the number specified may be taken on at not less than 1s. 3d. per hour."

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

Dated this 16th day of March, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.