

(5716.) OTAGO PROVINCIAL DISTRICT RETAIL SOFT-GOODS
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 Otago Provincial District Retail Soft-goods Employees' award dated the 17th day of September, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 1077.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 23rd 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 following additional subclause shall be added to clause 3 of the said award:—

“(e.) In addition to the rates above prescribed there shall be paid to male workers up to and including those in their fifth year of service a bonus of 2s. per week, and to those workers in receipt of the minimum rate of £3 15s. above prescribed a bonus of 4s.

per week, and to all female workers a bonus of 2s. per week. These bonuses shall be payable unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

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

"4. (a.) Storemen and packers over the age of twenty-one years substantially employed at work usually performed by storemen and packers, such as receiving delivery of, collecting, packing, and despatching goods, shall be paid not less than the following wages, viz.:—

	Per Week.		
	£	s.	d.
Storeman or packer in charge of two or more men	£	s.	d.
other than casuals...	4	0	0
Other storemen or packers	3	10	0
Junior storemen or packers—			
Under seventeen years of age	1	2	0
From seventeen to eighteen years of age	1	7	6
From eighteen to nineteen years of age	1	13	0
From nineteen to twenty years of age	1	18	6
From twenty to twenty-one years of age	2	4	0
And thereafter the minimum wage.			

"(b.) In addition to the rates above prescribed for storemen and packers there shall be paid to such workers unless and until the Court shall otherwise order the following bonuses, viz.: To storemen and packers a bonus of 4s. per week, and to junior storemen and packers a bonus of 2s. per week.

"(c.) This award shall not apply to storemen or packers covered by the provisions of the Otago Provincial District Storemen and Packers' award dated the 18th day of August, 1919."

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

Dated this 31st day of March, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.