(5738.) NORTHERN DISTRICT FEMALE BOOKBINDERS, PAPER-RULERS, AND CUTTERS.—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 Northern District Female Bookbinders, Paper-rulers, and Cutters' award dated the 5th day of September, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 745.

Upon reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 23rd day of December, 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, 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. Clause 2 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following

provisions substituted therefor:-

"2. The minimum wages for all females engaged in any branch of the trade 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."

2. This order shall operate and take effect as from the 1st day

of January, 1920.

Dated this 9th day of April, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.