(5743.) AUCKLAND (FIFTEEN-MILES RADIUS) STOREMEN AND PACKERS.—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 Auckland (Fifteen-miles Radius) Storemen and Packers' award dated the 14th day of May, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 511; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 28th day of July, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 748.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 9th 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 28th day of July, 1919, is hereby cancelled, and this order is substituted therefor.

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

"3. (a.) Storemen and packers of and over the age of twentyone 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 $\pounds 3$ 10s. per week.

"(b.) Junior storemen and packers shall be paid not less than the following rates of wages: Up to seventeen years of age, $\pounds 1$ 2s. per week; from seventeen to eighteen years of age, $\pounds 1$ 7s. 6d. per week; from eighteen to nineteen years of age, $\pounds 1$ 13s. per week; from nineteen to twenty years of age, $\pounds 1$ 18s. 6d. per week; from twenty to twenty-one years of age, $\pounds 2$ 4s. per week; and thereafter the minimum wages.

"(c.) In addition to the minimum rates above prescribed there shall be paid to the workers mentioned in subclause (a) of this clause a bonus of 4s. per week, and to the workers mentioned in subclause (b) of this clause a bonus of 2s. per week, unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.

"(d.) Each firm or employer shall be entitled to employ one junior storeman or packer, and the proportion of juniors to seniors shall otherwise not exceed one to three or fraction of three."

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

"5. (a.) Casual workers may be employed at the rate of 1s. $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. per hour, with overtime at the rate of 2s. 4d. per hour for all time worked in excess of eight hours in any one day or after 6 p.m.

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"(b.) In addition to the minimum rate above prescribed there shall be paid to casual workers a bonus of 1d. per hour 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 9th day of April, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.