(5744.) NORTHERN DISTRICT (EXCEPT GISBORNE JUDICIAL DISTRICT) ELECTRICAL WORKERS.—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 (except Gisborne Judicial District) Electrical Workers' award dated the 10th day of February, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 26; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 16th day of June, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 532.

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 16th day of June, 1919, is hereby

cancelled, and this order is substituted therefor.

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

"2. (a.) Journeymen electricians and armature-winders shall be

paid not less than 1s. 71d. per hour.

"(b) In addition to the minimum wage above prescribed there shall be paid to such workers a bonus of $3\frac{1}{2}$ d. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.

"(c.) Any worker while employed about a ship's boiler, or at installing or overhauling storage batteries other than ignition batteries, or at work in freezing-chambers while freezing is being carried on, or in repairing damage done by fire shall be paid 1s. 6d. per day in addition to the ordinary rates.

"(d.) Charge-men: Any worker who is placed in charge of work on which three or more journeymen are employed shall be paid not less than 1s. 9\frac{1}{2}d. per hour in addition to the bonus provided by

subclause (b) hereof.

"(e.) When a journeyman is required to work overtime after 6.30 p.m. 1s. 3d. shall be allowed in addition to his wages to procure a meal, such allowance to be paid to him at the time the work is required to be done."

3. The following additional subclause shall be added to clause 7

of the said award :-

"(j.) In addition to the rates prescribed in subclause (a) of this clause there shall be paid to apprentices 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 9th day of April, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.