(5927.) OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND SHOP TAILORESSES.—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 Shop Tailoresses' award dated the 2nd day of December, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 1141; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 15th day of March, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 221.

Upon reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 17th day of May, 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 15th day of March, 1920, 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.) Except as hereinafter provided for pieceworkers, the minimum wage for workers, including machinists and tailoresses, on ladies' work shall be at the rate of £1 15s. per week for the first six months after completion of apprenticeship, and thereafter not

less than £2 per week.

"(b.) The above-mentioned minimum rates of pay shall be increased by a bonus of 5s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order, and in addition to the earnings of a pieceworker in any one week there shall be paid to such pieceworker a bonus of 5s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

3. Clause 3 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following

provisions substituted therefor:-

"3. All work performed beyond the hours prescribed in clause 1 hereof shall be considered overtime, and shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for weekly workers, and at the rate of rate and a half for pieceworkers."

4. The rate of "9d. per hour" appearing at the head of the time statement attached to the said award shall be deleted, and the

words "10d. per hour" shall be substituted therefor.

5. Clause 5 of the said award shall be amended by the addition

thereto of the following subclause:-

"(i.) The minimum rates for apprentices prescribed in this clause shall be increased by a bonus of 3s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

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

Dated this 11th day of June, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.