

(6066.) WELLINGTON INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (EXCEPT WELLINGTON THIRTY-MILES RADIUS) GROCERS' ASSISTANTS AND DRIVERS.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Wellington 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 Wellington Industrial District (except Wellington Thirty - miles Radius) Grocers' Assistants and Drivers' award dated the 9th day of October, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 928; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 17th day of February, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 25.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 11th day of June, 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 17th day of February, 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.) The minimum rates of wages which shall be paid to grocers' assistants shall be as follows: From fifteen to sixteen years of age, 15s. per week; from sixteen to seventeen years of age, £1 per week; from seventeen to eighteen years of age, £1 7s. 6d. per week; from eighteen to nineteen years of age, £1 17s. 6d. per week; from nineteen to twenty years of age, £2 7s. 6d. per week; from twenty to twenty-one years of age, £2 17s. 6d. per week; from twenty-one to twenty-two years of age, £2 17s. 6d. per week; over twenty-two years of age, £3 12s. 6d. per week.

“(b.) The minimum rate of wages which shall be paid to drivers of twenty-two years of age and upwards shall be £3 12s. 6d. per week.

“(c.) Drivers under the age of twenty-two years shall be paid according to the scale above prescribed for assistants under the age of twenty-two years.

“(d.) An assistant may act as a driver or a driver as an assistant.

“(e.) The minimum rates above prescribed shall be increased by the following bonuses unless and until the Court shall otherwise order: To all workers under the age of twenty-two years, a bonus of 5s. per week; to all workers over the age of twenty-two years, a bonus of 10s. per week.”

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

Dated this 26th day of August, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.