

(6174.) AUCKLAND (TEN-MILES RADIUS) LOCAL BODIES' LABOURERS.—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 (Ten-miles Radius) Local Bodies' Labourers' award dated the 22nd day of November, 1917, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xviii, p. 1014; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 7th day of July, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 688; and of the further order amending the said award dated the 15th day of April, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 400.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 15th 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 orders dated the 7th day of July, 1919, and the 15th day of April, 1920, respectively are 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 following shall be the minimum rates of wages to be paid to the several classes of workers hereinafter specified: General labourers, 1s. 3½d. per hour; metal-spreaders, 1s. 4½d. per hour; refuse-lifters, 1s. 4d. per hour; pipe-layers, 1s. 5d. per hour; quarrymen, 1s. 4d. per hour; machine-drill men (at quarry), 1s. 5½d. per hour; hydrant-men, 1s. 4d. per hour; tar-workers, 1s. 4d. per hour; street-washers, 1s. 3½d. per hour; drainers, 1s. 3½d. per hour; destructor department—leading hands, 11s. 10d. per shift; chargers, 10s. 10d. per shift; receivers, 10s. 4d. per shift.

“ (b.) Provided that any suburban local body may employ general hands at a minimum wage of 1s. 4d. per hour, who shall if required, besides performing ordinary work, do any tarring or sanding, metal-spreading, quarrying, or refuse-lifting.

“ (c.) Any employee already receiving wages in excess of the above-mentioned schedule rates shall not have his wages reduced by reason of the provisions of this award, excepting under the terms provided by subclause (b) hereof.

“ (d.) ‘Pipe-laying’ shall mean the laying of pipes for sewerage purposes or for water-mains only.

“(e.) The minimum rates prescribed in the foregoing sub-clauses of this clause shall be increased by a bonus of 5d. per hour. In computing the rates of overtime payable under this award the said bonus shall be excluded from the computation.”

3. This order shall operate and take effect as from the 1st day of May, 1920, and shall cease to operate after the 2nd day of June, 1920, being the date of the coming into operation of the new award.

Dated this 18th day of September, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.