(6202.) NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT CHEMICAL MANURE AND ACID 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 Industrial District Chemical Manure and Acid Workers' award dated the 27th day of October, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 1242; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 14th day of April, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 373.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award, filed herein on the 4th day of August, 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 14th day of April, 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 rate of wages to be paid to all chemicalmanure workers and acid workers for day-work shall be 1s. $4\frac{1}{2}d$. per hour; chambermen, 1s. 6d. per hour.

"(b.) Workers on extra shifts shall be paid 1d. per hour in addition to the foregoing rates.

"(c.) The minimum rates prescribed in subclause (a) hereof shall be increased by a bonus of 5d. per hour."

3. The foregoing provisions shall operate and take effect as from the 1st day of May, 1920, and shall cease to operate from the date hereof, and the following provisions shall apply:—

"2. (a.) The minimum rate of wages to be paid to all chemicalmanure and acid workers for day-work shall be 1s. 8d. per hour; chambermen, 1s. $9\frac{1}{2}d$. per hour.

" (b.) Workers on extra shifts shall be paid 1d. per hour in addition to the foregoing rates.

"(c.) The minimum rates prescribed in subclause (a) hereof shall be increased by a bonus of 3d. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

Dated this 30th day of September, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.

MEMORANDUM.

Under this application the Court has fixed the basic wages and bonus to correspond with the agreement of the parties arrived at in the South Island, and for the purpose of putting the workers in this industry on the same footing.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.