

(5630.) CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN, ASHBURTON, AKAROA, RANGIORA, AND KAIAPOI LOCAL BODIES' LABOURERS.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Canterbury 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 Christchurch and Suburban, Ashburton, Akaroa, Rangiora, and Kaiapoi Local Bodies' Labourers' award dated the 20th day of November, 1913, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xiv, p. 819; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 16th day of April, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 381.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 3rd 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 April, 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. The following shall be the minimum rates of wages to be paid to the several classes of workers hereinafter specified, that is to say—

“ (a.) Tunnel-men at rock-tunnelling work, timber-work, or sinking shafts over 10 ft., 1s. 7½d. per hour.

“ (b.) Tunnel-men at clay-tunnelling work and men in charge of derricks or scaffolding, 1s. 4½d. per hour.

“ (c.) All other classes of labour, 1s. 3½d. per hour.

“ (d.) In addition to the rates above prescribed there shall be paid to all the workers above mentioned a bonus of 3½d. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.

“ (e.) Where it is necessary for local bodies to provide relief work such work can be done at rates of pay to be mutually agreed upon by any local body and the president or secretary of the union.

“ (f.) The above bonus shall be excluded from the computation of overtime.”

3. Clause 4 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor :—

“ 4. All time worked beyond the hours hereinbefore mentioned shall be considered overtime, and shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the first three hours and thereafter at double time.”

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

Dated this 9th day of March, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.