

(6369.) WELLINGTON INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT SADDLERS, HARNESS-
MAKERS, COLLARMAKERS, AND BAGMAKERS.—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 Saddlers, Harnessmakers, Collarmakers, and Bagmakers' award dated the 19th day of October, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 965; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 26th day of August, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 1414.

UPON reading the applications of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 8th and 10th days of November, 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 the 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 26th day of August is hereby cancelled, and this order is substituted therefor.

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

“3. (a.) Every journeyman working at any branch of the trade shall be paid not less than 1s. 10½d. per hour.

“(b.) All wages shall be paid weekly, and one week’s notice on either side shall be given in respect of workers on weekly wages.

“(c.) The minimum wages above prescribed shall be increased by a bonus of 3¾d. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

3. The following additional subclause shall be added to clause 7 of the said award:—

“(h.) The minimum wages prescribed in subclause (a) of this clause shall be increased by a bonus of 6s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

4. The following additional subclause shall be added to clause 9 of the said award:—

“(c.) The minimum wages prescribed in subclause (a) of this clause shall be increased by a bonus of 6s. 6d. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

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

Dated this 18th day of December, 1920.

— T. W. STRINGER, Judge.

MEMORANDUM.

In this order the basic wage for journeymen has been increased in accordance with the basic wage ruling in this industry in other industrial districts, and bonuses have been added to the award in terms of the Court’s recent pronouncement. As regards the basic wage, it appeared on the hearing of the application that some employers in Wellington City had, in conference with representatives of the union, agreed to this alteration in the basic wage to operate as from the 9th October last. This, however, was opposed by the representatives of the employers in the country districts, who had not been represented at such conference and were therefore not parties to any such arrangement. In view of all the circumstances, the Court considers that it cannot, in fairness to all the parties to the award, make the increase in the basic wage retrospective beyond the 1st November last.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.