(5658.) DUNEDIN (TWENTY-FIVE-MILES RADIUS) BUILDERS' AND CONTRACTORS' LABOURERS.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Otago and Southland 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 Dunedin (Twenty-five-miles Radius) Builders' and Contractors' Labourers' award dated the 28th day of November, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 1092; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 30th day of August, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 931.

Upon reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 23rd 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 30th day of August, 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 wages to be paid to the several classes of workers hereinafter specified, that is to say:—

"(a.) Workers in charge of derricks, or employed in hod-carrying, scaffolding, or wheeling bricks on scaffold, 1s. $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. per hour.

"(b.) All other labourers employed in connection with building operations, 1s. $3\frac{1}{2}d$. per hour."

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3. Clause 5 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

"5. The following shall be the minimum wages to be paid to the several classes of workers hereinafter specified, that is to say:—

"(a.) Labourers employed in tunnels or in trenches of a depth of 6 ft. or over, 1s. 4½d. per hour.

"(b.) Labourers employed in concrete-work, pick-and-shovel work, sewer-work, kerbing and channelling work, laying and cleaning drains, asphalt and tar work, and all other work of the same kind, 1s. 3¼d. per hour."

4. Clause 7 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following

provisions substituted therefor:

"7. In addition to the rates above prescribed there shall be paid to the workers above mentioned a bonus of $3\frac{1}{2}d$. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

5. Clause 9 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following

provisions substituted therefor:-

"9. (a.) All time worked beyond the hours hereinbefore prescribed shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the

first three hours, and thereafter double time until the ordinary time

for commencing work next morning if worked continuously.

"(b.) Time and a half shall be paid for all work done on New Year's Day, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Boxing Day, or the birthday of the reigning Sovereign.

"(c.) Double time shall be paid for all work done on Christmas

Day, Good Friday, and Sunday.

"(d.) If any of these holidays shall be generally observed on any other day the provisions of this award shall apply to such other day.

"(e.) In computing the rates of overtime payable under this clause the bonus hereinbefore mentioned shall not be taken into

account."

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

Dated this 12th day of March, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.