(5659.) OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS.—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 Otago and Southland Industrial District Plumbers and Gasfitters' award dated the 24th day of October, 1917, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xviii, p. 839; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 20th day of August, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 845.

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 20th 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. (a.) All work done outside of or in excess of the hours mentioned in clause I hereof shall count as overtime, and 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.) Workers required to commence work between the hours of 6 a.m. and the ordinary time for commencing work shall be paid at the rate of time and a half for such time.

"(c.) Any worker having worked all day and night and being required to work on into the next day shall be paid double-time

rates for all such time worked.

"(d.) For work done on Sunday, New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, or the birthday of the reigning Sovereign double time shall be paid.

"(e.) No worker shall be required to work more than six hours

continuously without an interval for a meal."

3. Clause 3 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following

provisions substituted therefor:

"3. (a.) The minimum wage for a plumber or gasfitter registered under the Plumbers Registration Act, 1912, shall be 1s. $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. per hour, and for all other journeymen 1s. $6\frac{1}{2}$ d. per hour.

"(b.) In addition to the minimum wages-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."

4. 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.