(6608.) OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND WHOLESALE MERCHANTS' STOREMEN AND PACKERS.—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 Wholesale Merchants' Storemen and Packers' award dated the 9th day of November, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 2183.

Upon reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 5th day of January, 1921, 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. Subclause (b) of clause 3 of the said award is hereby deleted,

and the following provision is substituted therefor:

"(b.) The minimum rates above prescribed shall be increased by a bonus of 8s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

2. Subclause (b) of clause 4 of the said award is hereby deleted,

and the following provision is substituted therefor: -

"(b.) The minimum rates above prescribed for junior storemen and packers shall be increased by a bonus of 3s. 6d. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

3. The following paragraph is hereby added to clause 6 of the

said award:

"In addition to the minimum rate of wages above prescribed for casual workers there shall be paid a bonus of $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

4. This order shall be deemed to operate and take effect as from

the 1st day of November, 1920.

Dated this 12th day of March, 1921.

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F. V. Frazer, Judge.