(6644.) OTAGO RETAIL CHEMISTS' ASSISTANTS.—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 Retail Chemists' Assistants' award dated the 20th day of October, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 1951.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 15th day of February, 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 (e) of clause 1 of the said award is hereby deleted, and the following provision is substituted therefor :—

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

2. Subclause (k) of clause 4 of the said award is hereby deleted, and the following provision is substituted therefor :—

"(k.) The minimum wages above prescribed shall be increased by a bonus of 6s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

3. Clause 5 of the said award is hereby amended by adding the following subclause thereto :—

"(a.) In addition to the minimum rates of wages prescribed in this clause there shall be paid a bonus of 3s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

4. Subclause (c) of clause 6 of the said award is hereby deleted, and the following provision is substituted therefor :—

"(c.) In addition to the minimum rates of wages prescribed in this clause there shall be paid, unless and until the Court shall otherwise order, the following bonuses, viz.: To females over twenty-one years of age, a bonus of 6s. 6d. per week; and to females under the age of twenty-one years, a bonus of 6s. per week."

5. The following words are hereby added to subclause (d) of clause 1 of the said award: "Such minimum rate to be increased by a bonus of $\frac{3}{4}$ d, per hour unless and until the Court shall otherwise order."

6. 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.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.