

(6798.) GREYMOOUTH (TWENTY-MILES RADIUS) RETAIL SHOP-ASSISTANTS (GROCERS' SECTION).—ORDER ADDING PARTIES TO AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Westland Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1908, and its amendments; and in the matter of an award dated the 10th day of February, 1921, and known as the Greymouth (Twenty-miles Radius) Retail Shop-assistants' (Grocers' Section) award.

Wednesday, the 27th day of April, 1921.

UPON reading the application of the union of workers party to the said award filed herein on the 22nd day of March, 1921, and upon hearing the duly appointed representative of the said union of workers and such of the persons, firms, and companies hereinafter named as appeared in person or by their representative duly appointed, this Court doth order that the following be and they are hereby added as parties to the said award as from the date hereof:—

Abbie, P. A., Grocer, &c., Cobden.
Armstrong and Haisty, Grocers, &c., Ngahere.
Church, W., Grocer, &c., Stillwater.
Creagh, J., Grocer, &c., Brunnerton.
Creagh, J., Grocer, &c., Runanga.
Hoglund Bros., Grocers, High Street, Greymouth.
Maher, P., General Dealer, Thompson Street, Greymouth.
Nimmo, J., Grocer, Taylorville.
Phillips, Misses, Grocers, &c., Tainui Street, Greymouth.
Quong Quin, Grocer, &c., Tainui Street, Greymouth.
Smithers and Hopkinson, Grocers, &c., Thompson Street, Greymouth.
Thompson, W., Grocer, Kotuku.
Walker, J., Grocer, Cobden.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.

MEMORANDUM.

An application to join W. Rathburn, of High Street, Grey-mouth, was considered by the Court. A clause has been inserted in the award ordering the closing of all shops at 5.30 p.m. on four days of the week, at 9 p.m. on the day of the late night, and 12 noon on the day of the weekly half-holiday. This clause was inserted under the authority of section 9 of the Shops and Offices Amendment Act, 1920. Any shop carrying on the business or businesses covered by the award, whether assistants are employed therein or not, must close each day at the hour specified. As Mr. Rathburn does not employ assistants the Court cannot join him as a party to the award. In respect of the early closing of his shop, to which he objected, he is bound by the provisions of the early-closing clause of the award. In view of the fact that other businesses of a similar nature are being carried on within a short distance of his shop, the Court cannot see it way to grant exemption from the provisions of the clause.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.