

(6482.) NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (EXCEPT GISBORNE JUDICIAL DISTRICT) MANUFACTURING JEWELLERS AND WATCH-MAKERS.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern 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 Northern Industrial District (except Gisborne Judicial District) Manufacturing Jewellers and Watch-makers' award dated the 25th day of February, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 112; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 27th day of September, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 1625.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 7th 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. The said order dated the 27th day of September, 1920, is hereby cancelled, and this order is substituted therefor.

2. Clause 4 of the said award is hereby amended by deleting subclauses (a), (c), and (d), and substituting the following provisions therefor :—

“(a.) The minimum rate of wages shall be as follows: Journey-men engaged as goldsmiths or silversmiths, or in chainmaking, jobbing, swivelmaking, ringmaking, polishing, lapping, melting and refining, stamping, rolling, drawing or twisting wire, drawing chinear, rolling plate, jewellery-chasing, jewellery-engraving, mounting and setting, jewellery-enamelling, or in the manufacturing or repairing of watches, clocks, &c., and others engaged in

the industry but not specified, shall be paid at the rate of not less than £4 9s. per week.

“(c.) Workers employed solely in routing-machine or on stamping-machine (doing other than jewellery or badge work) shall be paid not less than £3 19s. per week.

“(d.) In addition to the minimum rates of wages hereinbefore prescribed there shall be paid a bonus of 9s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

3. The preceding clause 2 shall operate and take effect as from the 28th day of February, 1921.

4. Clause 4 of the said award is hereby amended by adding the following subclauses:—

“(f.) In addition to the minimum rates of wages hereinbefore prescribed for female workers 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 twenty-one years of age a bonus of 6s. per week.

“(g.) From the 1st day of November, 1920, to the 26th day of February, 1921, in addition to the minimum rates of wages payable under subclause (a) hereof, there shall be paid to each journeyman a bonus of 18s. per week.”

5. The following additional subclause shall be added to clause 6 of the said award:—

“(j.) The minimum rates prescribed for apprentices by subclause (a) of this clause shall be increased by a bonus of 6s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

6. This order, except as hereinbefore expressly provided, shall be deemed to operate and take effect as from the 1st day of November, 1920.

Dated this 24th day of February, 1921.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.