

(7352.) NORTHERN, TARANAKI, WELLINGTON, MARLBOROUGH, CANTERBURY, AND OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS FREEZING-WORKS AND RELATED TRADES EMPLOYEES.—ORDER AMENDING AWARDS AND EXCLUDING FROM OPERATION OF GENERAL ORDER OF 22ND NOVEMBER, 1922.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern, Taranaki, Wellington, Marlborough, Canterbury, and Otago and Southland Industrial Districts.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1908, and its amendments; and in the matter of the Northern, Taranaki, Wellington, Marlborough, Canterbury, and Otago and Southland Industrial Districts Freezing-works and Related Trades Employees' awards dated the 26th November, 1921; and in the matter of a general order made on the 22nd day of November, 1922, in pursuance of section 9 of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1921-22.

Wednesday, the 22nd day of November, 1922.

THIS Court, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 9 of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1921-22, and of every other power in that behalf thereunto enabling it, doth hereby order as follows:—

(1.) That clause 17 of each of the said awards shall be deleted, and the following clause substituted therefor:—

“ 17. *Bonus*.—In addition to the minimum rates prescribed in clauses 2 to 15 hereof (inclusive) there shall be paid, unless and until

the Court shall otherwise order, the following bonuses—namely, to time-workers, a bonus of  $7\frac{1}{2}$  per centum on the above rates; and to pieceworkers, a bonus of 5 per centum on the above rates: Provided that such bonuses shall not be paid to those workers covered by clause 13 who receive the rates and bonuses (if any) provided in and by other awards or industrial agreements.”

(2.) That this order shall operate and take effect as from the 4th day of December, 1922.\*

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.

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#### MEMORANDUM.

The Court excluded the Freezing-workers' awards from the operation of the general order made to-day, the reason being that the bonus additions provided for in the awards were made on a percentage basis and the bonus adjustment for the past half-year was also made on a percentage basis. On the occasion of the making of the last order, on 6th July last, the Court was asked that any percentage reduction should be in multiples of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., in order to facilitate the calculation of amounts due to workers. On the present occasion the Court has made a reduction of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., which is less than the 3s. per week provided for in the general order affecting other awards and industrial agreements. A reduction of 5 per cent. would involve a greater reduction than 3s. per week, and for that reason we have adopted the lower percentage.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.