(7233.) NIGHTCAPS AND WAIRIO WAIRAKI DISTRICTS COAL-MINES.—ORDER ADDING PARTIES TO 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 Nightcaps and Wairio Wairaki Districts Coal-mines award, dated the 21st day of November, 1922, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxii, folio 1597.

Saturday, the 17th day of June, 1922.

Upon reading the application of the union, party to the said award, filed herein on the 25th day of May, 1922, and upon hearing the duly appointed representative of the said union and such of the persons, firms, and companies hereinafter named as appeared either 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:—

Birchwood Coal Company (Limited), The, Ohai, Nightcaps. Ohai Coal-miners' Industrial Union of Workers, The, Ohai, Nightcaps.

[L.S.]

F. V. Frazer, Judge.

MEMORANDUM.

The Court heard this application at Invercargill. The Nightcaps Union opposed the application in respect of the Ohai Union. The latter union is, however, duly registered, and as its registration was subsequent to the filing of the award it automatically became a party to the award as soon as it was registered. The Court's order in such a case is of the nature of a formal recognition of the existence of the union as a party to the award, and places the fact on record. The Court required to be satisfied, before making a formal order, that the union was in active operation; and having satisfied itself that this was the case, the Court has now made the order applied for.

[l.s.] F. V. Frazer, Judge.