

WELLINGTON INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.

(7625.) WELLINGTON INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT GROCERS' ASSISTANTS AND DRIVERS.—AMENDMENT OF AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Wellington Industrial District. — In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1908, and its amendments; and in the matter of a joint application by the parties for amendment of the Wellington Industrial District Grocers' Assistants and Drivers' award, dated the 13th day of July, 1923, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxiv, p. 485.

Saturday, the 1st day of December, 1923.

UPON reading the joint application of the parties to the Wellington Industrial District Grocers' Assistants and Drivers' award, dated the 13th day of July, 1923, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxiv, p. 485, which application was filed herein on the 27th day of November, 1923; and upon hearing the duly appointed representatives of the said parties, this Court, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 5 of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1921, and of every other power in that behalf thereto enabling it, and with the consent of the parties,

doth hereby order that the said award shall be and it is hereby amended in manner following, that is to say:—

1. Subclause (a) of clause 1 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following substituted therefor:—

“(a.) *Hours of Work.*—The ordinary hours of work for grocers’ assistants shall be forty-eight per week, to be worked between 8 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. on four days of the week, between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the day of the statutory half-holiday, and between 8 a.m. and 8.30 p.m. on one day of the week. The forty-eight hours shall be exclusive of meal intervals, for which not less than one hour shall be allowed.”

2. The following subclause shall be added to clause 1 of the said award:—

“(d.) Notwithstanding the foregoing a shop may remain open and assistants be employed up till 10 p.m. on the late nights observed as Christmas and New Year’s Eves respectively, provided that payment shall be made at time-and-a-half rates to all grocers’ assistants for work performed after 8.30 p.m. on those nights irrespective of whether or not the weekly hours for the particular week have been exceeded.”

3. This order shall operate and take effect as from the 10th day of December, 1923.