

(7748.) WELLINGTON INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT GROCERS' ASSISTANTS
AND DRIVERS.—EXEMPTION FROM CLOSING-HOURS.

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 section 69 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921–22; and in the matter 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.

Monday, the 7th day of April, 1924.

UPON reading the application of Amos Atherton, the occupier of a grocer's shop at Te Awanga, for exemption from the provisions of

clause 1 (c) 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, fixing the closing-hours for all grocers' shops, and upon hearing the said occupier, this Court, being of the opinion that the observance of the closing-hours fixed by the said award would cause undue hardship to such occupier, and by virtue of and in exercise of the powers conferred by the said Acts, and of every other power in that behalf enabling it, doth hereby order as follows :—

1. That if and so long as the said Amos Atherton closes his grocer's shop at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of one working-day in each week, and complies with the provisions of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, and its amendments, and does not employ workers in or about the said shop during the hours when grocers' shops are directed by clause 1 (c) of the said award to be closed, or outside the hours during which by clause 1 (a) of the said award workers are permitted to be employed, or on any of the holidays prescribed by the said award, he shall be exempt from the provisions of the said clause 1 (c).

2. That the Court reserves to itself the power at any time to revoke this order and substitute another order therefor.

3. That this order shall operate and take effect as from the 14th day of April, 1924.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.

MEMORANDUM.

The applicant is carrying on business in a remote locality, and his trade is dependent largely upon excursionists, many of whom have to make their journeys to and from Te Awanga at times that are dependent on the state of the tide.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.