

(7836.) NORTHERN, WELLINGTON, NELSON, AND OTAGO AND
SOUTHLAND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS RETAIL SHOP-ASSIST-
ANTS.—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 the Northern, Wellington, Nelson, and Otago and Southland Industrial Districts Retail Shop-assistants' award, dated the 17th day of March, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxv, p. 111.

Friday, the 8th day of August, 1924.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by section 92 of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1908, and for the

purpose of remedying a defect in the Northern, Wellington, Nelson, and Otago and Southland Industrial Districts Retail Shop-assistants' award, dated the 17th day of March, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxv, p. 111, this Court, being of the opinion that it is just and equitable to amend the said award, doth hereby order that the said award shall be amended in manner following, that is to say—

1. The following words shall be added to clause 9 of the said award :
“ An employer may employ an assistant in connection with the business of the shop for not more than fifteen minutes after the time specified in this clause for the sole purpose of completing any work commenced prior to such time, provided that any such extra time worked shall be deemed to be time worked within the meaning of section 7 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921–22.”

2. This order shall operate and take effect as from the 18th day of August, 1924.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.

MEMORANDUM.

The award fixed the hours for ceasing work, which had the effect of rendering section 5 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921–22, inoperative. Under that section, fifteen minutes' grace is allowed in order to complete work commenced before the time fixed by the Act. The amendment restores the operation of section 5, with which the Court had no intention of interfering, and which was not discussed when the dispute was before the Court. The amendment represents the decision of a majority of the Court.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.