

(8278.) GENERAL ORDER AMENDING APPRENTICESHIP ORDERS.  
In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand.—In the matter of the  
Apprentices Act, 1923.

Friday, the 26th day of June, 1925.

WHEREAS by section 5 (2) of the Apprentices Act, 1923, the Court is empowered to amend any order made under section 5 (1) of the said Act: And whereas it is further provided by section 5 (3) of the said Act that where a proposed amendment of an order is of a routine or trivial nature it shall not be necessary to hear formal evidence in respect thereof; and whereas it has been made to appear to the Court that it is desirable that fuller provision should be made in apprenticeship orders under the said Act for determining the proportion of apprentices to journeymen: Now, therefore, the Court, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the said Act, doth hereby order and prescribe as follows:—

1. That in all orders of apprenticeship heretofore made by the Court under the said Act in which no express provision to the contrary is made the proportion of apprentices to journeymen employed in the trade or industry in the district shall, for the purpose of determining whether an employer is entitled to enter into a contract of apprenticeship with an apprentice, be based upon the number of journeymen employed in the trade or industry in the district as shown by the last returns furnished to the District Registrar in accordance with the provisions of the said order.

2. That in all orders of apprenticeship heretofore made by the Court under the said Act in which no express provision to the

contrary is made the proportion of apprentices to journeymen employed by any employer shall for the purpose of determining whether such employer is entitled to enter into a contract of apprenticeship with an apprentice be based upon the number of journeymen who at the date of the making of the contract of apprenticeship had been employed by that employer for full or part time (but not less than two-thirds full time) as prescribed in and by the said order for a period of six months preceding that date.

3. That this order shall be deemed to be an amendment of each and every order of apprenticeship heretofore made by the Court under the said Act, except in so far as any such order shall contain express provisions in respect of the matters dealt with in this order.

4. That this order shall operate and take effect as from the day of the date hereof.

[L.S.]

\_\_\_\_ F. V. FRAZER, Judge.

#### MEMORANDUM.

The attention of the Court has been drawn to the fact that a difficulty may arise in determining the exact basis on which, at any given time, the proportion of apprentices to journeymen in any trade or industry should be calculated. The foregoing order prescribes the basis of calculation for any time, and is intended as an amendment of all apprenticeship orders heretofore made, in which this matter is not expressly provided for.

\_\_\_\_ F. V. FRAZER, Judge.