(8298.) NELSON INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT GROCERS' ASSISTANTS AND DRIVERS.—EXEMPTION FROM CLOSING-HOURS.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Nelson 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 Nelson Industrial District Grocers' Assistants and Drivers' Award, dated the 19th day of December, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXV, p. 1444.

Wednesday, the 8th day of July, 1925.

Upon reading the application of William Liddle, the occupier of a grocer's shop at Tahunanui, for exemption from the closing-hours provisions of the Nelson Industrial District Grocers' Assistants and Drivers' award, dated the 19th day of December, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXV, p. 1444, 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 during such time as the said William Liddle shall close his 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 the said award to be closed, or outside the hours during which by 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 closing-hours provisions of the said award.
- 2. That the Court reserves to itself the power at any time to revoke or vary this order and substitute another order therefor.
- 3. That this order shall operate and take effect as from the day of the date hereof.

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.