

(8361.) NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT PLUMBERS AND GAS-FITTERS.—AMENDMENT OF APPRENTICESHIP ORDER.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern Industrial District.—In the matter of the Apprentices Act, 1923; and in the matter of the Northern Industrial District Plumbers and Gas-fitters' apprenticeship order, dated the 26th day of September, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXV, p. 1165.

Tuesday, the 13th day of October, 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 the Court has heard the duly appointed representatives of the parties to the Northern Industrial District Plumbers and

Gas-fitters' apprenticeship order, dated the 26th day of September, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXV, p. 1165: Now, therefore, the Court, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the said Act, doth hereby order as follows:—

1. That the said order shall be amended by deleting clause 6 thereof and substituting the following clause:—

“6. The proportion of the total number of apprentices to the total number of journeymen employed in the industry in the district shall be not more than one to two. The proportion of the total number of apprentices to the total number of journeymen employed by any employer or firm shall be as follows: Each firm or employer shall be entitled to one apprentice; after that the number employed shall not exceed one apprentice to each two journeymen or fraction of the first two.”

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

[L.S.]

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.

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#### MEMORANDUM.

The employers applied to the Court to amend the district proportion from one to three to one to one. The majority of the Apprenticeship Committee recommended that no change be made. The Court is of the opinion that a proportion of one to two is sufficient to maintain the position that existed before the order was made, and has amended the order accordingly.

F. V. FRAZER, Judge.