(8473.) NORTHERN, WELLINGTON, CANTERBURY, AND OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND BAKERS AND PASTRYCOOKS.—AMENDMENT OF APPRENTICESHIP ORDERS.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern, Wellington, Canterbury, and Otago and Southland Industrial Districts.—In the matter of the Apprentices Act, 1923; and in the matter of the following apprenticeship orders: Northern Industrial District Bakers and Pastrycooks' apprenticeship order, dated the 26th day of November, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXV, p. 1323; Wellington Industrial District Bakers and Pastrycooks' apprenticeship order, dated the 26th day of November, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXV, p. 1360; Canterbury Bakers and Pastrycooks' apprenticeship order, dated the 26th day of November, 1924, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXV, p. 1227; Otago and Southland Bakers and Pastrycooks' apprenticeship order, dated the 26th day of November, 1924.

Thursday, the 10th day of December, 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) that where, in the opinion of the Court, a proposed amendment of an order is of a trivial nature it shall not be necessary to hear formal evidence in respect thereof: And whereas no district proportion of apprentices to journeymen has been fixed by the above-mentioned apprenticeship orders: 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 each and every of the said apprenticeship orders shall be amended by deleting clause 6 thereof and substituting the following clause:—

"6. The proportion of apprentices to journeymen pastrycooks shall be as follows: In the pastrycook department—where one or no journeyman is employed, one apprentice; where two journeymen are employed, two apprentices: where four journeymen are employed, two apprentices: where five journeymen are employed, three apprentices. In the bread-baking department every employer shall be allowed to have one apprentice whether he employs any journeymen or not. If an employer employs more than two journeymen he shall be allowed to have two apprentices, but not more than two apprentices shall be allowed in the bread-baking department of any bakehouse.

"The proportion of the total number of apprentices to the total number of journeymen employed in the industry in the district shall be based on the proportion fixed for individual employers and firms."

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

## MEMORANDUM.

The attention of the Court has been drawn to the fact that the recommendations of the Apprenticeship Committees, which were adopted by the Court, omitted any reference to a district proportion of apprentices to journeymen. As the provisions of the Act are mandatory on this point, the Court has now previded a district proportion, which has been based on the proportion allowed to individual employers and firms.

F. V. Frazer, Judge.