

(11174.) NORTHERN, TARANAKI, WELLINGTON, CANTERBURY, AND OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND **STOREMEN AND PACKERS.**—ADDING PARTIES TO AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and its amendments; and in the matter of the Northern, Taranaki, Wellington, Canterbury, and Otago and Southland Storemen and Packers' award, dated the 23rd day of December, 1935, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXXV, p. 1504.

JUDGMENT OF THE COURT, DELIVERED BY PAGE, J.

THIS is an application to add as parties to the above award the following firms—

- Perkins and Sons, Ltd., City Markets, Auckland, C. 1.
- Produce Markets, Ltd., Fruit and Produce Auctioneers, Customs Street West, Auckland, C. 1.
- Radley and Co., Ltd., Fruit Auctioneers, City Markets, Auckland, C. 1.
- Turners and Growers, Ltd., Fruit and Produce Auctioneers, City Markets, Auckland, C. 1.
- Turners Supplies, Ltd., City Markets, Auckland, C. 1.

Each of these firms is a produce-merchant carrying on business in Auckland.

We think that an order must be made adding each of them, but subject to certain conditions.

One of such firms employs fifty-two females in the work of lemon-curing, egg-grading, egg-pulping, handling flowers, and picking and sorting fruit. The award contains no provision relating to the employment of females.

This firm also employs a number of youths who are engaged in the packing that is incidental to the foregoing work.

The proportion of such youths to adult storemen and packers in this firm is approximately one youth to each adult. The award fixes a proportion, in the case of ordinary storemen and packers, of one youth to each three adults.

We make an order adding the foregoing firms, with the condition that females may be employed by them and that nothing in the award shall be deemed to apply to the employment of females. It is open to the parties to come to such agreement as they think fit regarding the employment of females.

With regard to the proportion of youths to adults, we think that these firms must be placed on the same footing as others bound by the award, and must observe the proportion of one youth to three adults as fixed by the award.

It may be mentioned that the award contains provisions for the casual employment of youths for certain purposes.

By agreement of the parties we add also a further condition—namely, that if any of the firms now added shall work any of their storemen or packers on 2nd January, Easter Monday, or Boxing Day, such worker shall be allowed a full holiday on another day within fourteen days thereafter, or, at the option of the employer, be paid for such day at time and a half in addition to his ordinary rate of wages.

Dated this 9th day of September, 1936.

[L.S.]

E. PAGE, Judge.

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