WELLINGTON INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (EXCEPT WELLINGTON CITY) FIRE-BRIGADES' EMPLOYEES.—EXTENDING SCOPE OF AWARD AND ADDING PARTIES.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Wellington Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and its amendments; and in the matter of the Wellington Industrial District (except Wellington City) Fire-brigades' Employees' award, dated the 9th day of May, 1938, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXXVIII, p. 963.

Monday, the 28th day of November, 1938.

UPON reading the application to extend the scope of the Wellington Industrial District (except Wellington City) Firebrigades' Employees' award, dated the 9th day of May, 1938, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXXVIII, p. 963, and to add parties thereto, which application was made by the union of workers party to the said award, and was filed herein on the 22nd day of June, 1938, and upon hearing the duly appointed representative of the said association and such of the undermentioned Boards as appeared by their representative duly appointed, this Court, by its duly appointed Delegate, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 92 (1) (b) of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, doth hereby order as follows:—

1. That the scope of the said award be and it is hereby extended so as to include the Taranaki and Nelson Industrial Districts. 2. That the undermentioned Boards be and they are hereby added as parties to the said award:—

Hawera Fire Board, Hawera. Nelson Fire Board, Nelson. New Plymouth Fire Board, New Plymouth.

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

[L.S.] J. A. GILMOUR, Stipendiary Magistrate, [L.S.] Acting as a duly appointed Delegate of the Court of Arbitration.

MEMORANDUM.

The application was opposed on behalf of the New Plymouth, Hawera, and Nelson Fire Boards by Mr. H. J. Bishop, on the ground that the award, according to the memorandum, had been based on city conditions, which were not comparable with country conditions and therefore inapplicable to the Boards he represented; and evidence was called to show the difficulties which would be experienced in complying with clauses 4 and 5 of the award and at the same time supplying an efficient service. Fire Boards operating in towns of similar or smaller size, however, are included in the list of parties to the award which the Court is asked to extend, and it must be assumed that the Second Court, in making the award, gave due consideration to the points of difference raised by the objecting Boards. The award has accordingly been extended.

> J. A. GILMOUR, Stipendiary Magistrate, Acting as a duly appointed Delegate of the Court of Arbitration.