## OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND ROPE AND TWINE SPINNERS.— AMENDMENT OF AWARD

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Otago and Southland Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942; and in the

matter of an application for amendment of the Otago and Southland Rope and Twine Spinners' award, dated the 3rd day of April, 1944, and recorded in 44 Book of Awards 143.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942, and upon application made by a party to the Otago and Southland Rope and Twine Spinners' award, dated the 3rd day of April, 1944, and recorded in 44 Book of Awards 143, this Court doth hereby order as follows:—

- 1: That the said award shall be amended-
- (i) By deleting clause 3, and substituting therefor the following clause:—

## " Wages

"3. The minimum rates of wages for adult male workers shall be as follows:—

Per Hour.

	S.	d.
"Head rope-maker	 3	$0\frac{1}{2}$
"Small-goods rope-maker	 2	9
"Assistant rope-maker	 2	9
"Leading feeder hand on first spreader	 2	81
"General hands	 2	8

"A worker who has been trained in the making of ropes on the rope walk for a period of at least nine months and who is capable of taking charge of rope-making operations on the rope walk in the absence of the head rope-maker shall be classified as an 'assistant rope-maker.'"

- (ii) By deleting subclause (b) of clause 4 (Youths), and substituting therefor the following subclause:—
- "(b) The minimum weekly rates of wages payable to youths shall be as follows:—

Age commencing.	First Six Months.	Second Six Months	Third Six Months	Fourth Six Months	Fifth Six Months.	Sixth Six Months.	Seventh Six Months.	2000 B	Ninth Six Months.	Tenth Six Months.
Under 16	 25/-	30/-	35/-	40/-	45/-	50/→	55/	60/-	70/-	80/-
.16 to 17	 27/6	32/6	37/6	42/6	47/6	55/-	60/-	65/-	70/-	80/-
17 to 18	 32/6	37/6	42/6	47/6	55/-	62/6	70/-	80/-		
18 to 19	 37/6	42/6	50/-	55/-	62/6	70/-				
19 to 20	 49/-	54/-	59/6	70/-	.,.			1		
-20 to 21	 60/-	70/-	١		٠.					٠.,

<sup>&</sup>quot;Thereafter, or on attaining the age of twenty-one years, not less than the rate for general adult hands."

(iii) By deleting clause 5, and substituting therefor the following clause:—

## " Female Workers

"5. The minimum weekly rates of wages payable to female workers shall be as follows:—

Age commenc	ing.	First Six Months.	Second Six Months.	Third Six Months.	Fourth Six Months.	Fifth Six Months.	Sixth Six Months.	Seventh Six Months.	Eighth Six Months.
Under 16		22/6	26/6	30/6	35/6	40/-	45/-	49/-	55/-
16 to 17		25/6	29/6	33/6	38/6	43/-	48/-	53/-	
17 to 18		28/6	32/6	36/6	41/6	46/-	51/-		
18 to 19		31/6	35/6	39/6	44/6	49/-			
19 to 20		35/-	39/-	43/-	48/-				
20 to 21		40/-	44/-						

<sup>&</sup>quot;Thereafter, or on attaining the age of twenty-one years, not less than £3 per week."

- (iv) By deleting subclause (b) of clause 8 (Overtime), and substituting therefor the following subclause:—
- "(b) To male workers over the age of sixteen years employers shall give twenty-four hours' notice of overtime; failing that, they shall allow meal-money at the rate of 2s. per meal where such workers are required to work overtime after 6 p.m., provided that such workers cannot reasonably get home to their meals.

"When female workers or male workers of sixteen years or under are required to work overtime, the provisions of section 23 of the Factories Act, 1921–22, shall apply, except that the rate of the allowance for a meal shall be 2s.

"The provisions of clause 6 of this award increasing rates of remuneration shall not apply to the meal-money payment provided for in this subclause."

2. That this order shall be deemed to have come intoforce on the 1st day of April, 1945.

Dated this 23rd day of July, 1945.

[L.S.] A. TYNDALL, Judge.

## DISSENTING OPINION OF MR. MONTEITH.

I dissent from this amendment, because of the female rate of £3. This rate, after adding bonus and deducting tax, leaves the worker with £2 17s. 3d. to live on; and, in view of present prices, I do not consider this sufficient.