

12. Surface-hands : Bracemen, 8s. per day ; assistant bracemen, 7s. per day ; certificated engine-drivers, 9s. per day ; uncertificated engine drivers, 7s. 6d. per day. Boys up to eighteen years of age, 3s. to 6s. per day.

13. When members of the union and non-members are employed together there shall be no distinction between members and non-members. Both shall work together in harmony, and both shall work under the same conditions and receive equal pay for equal work.

14. The penalty for any breach of this industrial agreement shall be any sum not exceeding £20.

15. This industrial agreement shall continue in force from the 1st January, 1900, until the 1st May, 1902.

16. Boring in the roof, 4d. per foot up to 12 ft. ; 12 ft. and upwards, 6d. per foot ; boring in the floor, 6d. per foot.

A. H. COLLINS, Chairman.

Huntly, 29th November, 1899.

AUCKLAND BOOTMAKERS.

Before the Board of Conciliation, in the Northern Industrial District.—In the matter of an industrial dispute between W. Suttie, of Onehunga, and the Auckland Operative Bootmakers' Industrial Union, and of a reference thereof for settlement.

The Board, having heard evidence in the above case, recommend as follows :—

That whereas under an award of the Court of Arbitration dated the 18th July, 1899, an industrial agreement was prepared and signed by the master bootmakers of the Northern Industrial District, and whereas, W. Suttie having commenced business as a master bootmaker since the above date, a dispute has arisen between the Auckland Operative Bootmakers' Industrial Union of Workers and the said W. Suttie in consequence of W. Suttie having refused to sign the said agreement, the Board recommend that the said W. Suttie be required to sign the said agreement on or before the 15th November at noon, and, failing to do so, the case is referred to the Court of Arbitration for settlement.

A. H. COLLINS, Chairman.

Auckland, 8th November, 1899.

AUCKLAND CARPENTERS AND JOINERS.

Before the Board of Conciliation, in the Northern Industrial District.—In the matter of an industrial dispute between Malcolm and Ferguson and others and the Auckland Branch of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners' Industrial Union, and a reference thereof for settlement.

The Board, having heard evidence in the above case, recommend as follows :—

That whereas under an award of the Court of Arbitration dated the 18th July, 1899, an industrial agreement was prepared and signed by the master builders of Auckland and the Auckland Branch of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners' Industrial Union ; and whereas C. Reed, D. L. Cochran, and W. H. Edwards having failed to sign the said agreement, the Board recommend that the said C. Reed, D. L. Cochran, and W. H. Edwards be required to sign the said agreement on or before the 22nd November at noon, and, failing to do so, the case is referred to the Court of Arbitration for settlement.

A. H. COLLINS, Chairman.

Auckland, 8th November, 1899.

AUCKLAND SADDLERS AND HARNESS-MAKERS.

Before the Board of Conciliation, in the Northern Industrial District.—In the matter of an industrial dispute between J. Hill and others and the Auckland Saddlers, Harness-makers, and Bridle-cutters' Industrial Union, and of a reference thereof for settlement.

The Board, having heard evidence in the above case, have been unable to bring about a settlement, and refer the matter to the Court of Arbitration for settlement.

A. H. COLLINS, Chairman.

Auckland, 11th November, 1899.

DUNEDIN TAILORESSES.

In the matter of "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894," and in the matter of two references filed in connection with a dispute between the New Zealand Federated Tailoresses and other Clothing Trades Employés' Union and the New Zealand Clothing-manufacturers' Association.

The Conciliation Board for the Industrial District of Otago and Southland, having received the necessary proofs establishing its jurisdiction in the above matters, and considered the evidence, hereby recommend as follows :—

That the parties to the said dispute enter into an industrial agreement for a period commencing on the 13th day of November, 1899, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1900, or the date on which the log now in force in Auckland expires, whereby they agree to work under the existing log, save in so far as it is controlled by "The Employment of Boys or Girls without Payment Prevention Act, 1899," or other legislation.

Dated this 8th day of November, 1899.

FREDK. CHAPMAN, Chairman.

Memorandum annexed to Recommendation.

The Board is of opinion that wages and conditions of labour should be uniform throughout New Zealand unless it can be shown that local circumstances give rise to necessary differences, and with the object of facilitating the bringing about of this the Board makes the recommendation which it has announced.

FREDK. CHAPMAN, Chairman.

DECEMBER, 1899.

The following are the recommendations of Boards of Conciliation in the Wellington drivers' dispute and the Dunedin carpenters and joiners' dispute ; the copy of an agreement between various North Canterbury employers and the Canterbury Carpenters and Joiners' Association ; and the awards of the Arbitration Court in the Dunedin wharf-labourers', Dunedin painters', Dunedin seamen's, and Otago coal-miners' disputes :—

WELLINGTON DRIVERS.

In the Board of Conciliation, Wellington Industrial District.—In the matter of "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894," and the amendments thereof : Between the Wellington Drivers' Industrial Union of Workers and the employers.

The recommendations of the Board are as follows :—

1. The hours for drivers connected with brick-yards and timber-yards shall be forty-six hours per week.
2. The hours for coal-dealers shall be forty-seven hours and a half per week.
3. The hours for retail parcel delivery shall be forty-seven hours and a half per week.
4. The hours for forwarding agents and carriers shall be forty-seven hours and a half per week.
5. The hours for laundrymen shall be forty-seven hours and a half per week.
6. The hours for tram-drivers shall be sixty hours per week.
7. The hours for 'bus-drivers shall be forty hours per week.
8. The weekly minimum wage to be paid to drivers of lorries and vans with two horses shall be £2 5s.
9. Competent men shall be paid a weekly minimum wage of £2 2s. as drivers of lorries, vans, spring-drays, cart and expresses with one horse.