



worse for wear. We had fought
in them, slept in them &
recently worked on the wharves
in them.

We have been very busy &
still are, working in shifts
for 24 hrs. a day down at
the wharves, unloading stores
etc.:- I worked 18 hrs. out
of 24 last week, lifting
cases from lighters onto
the shore. Some of the chaps
have been unloading coal,
a dirty job; as also is
the job of rolling barrels of oil
from the barges on to the shore.
The wharfies in N.Z. would
be demanding their 10/6 an
hour or whatever they get, if
they were here doing the work.
~~had~~. Our N.Z. boys shifted
the greatest weight of stores etc.:-
in one day (several thousand
tons.) Day & night the work
goes on. We have been excused