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INTERNATIONAL OPIUM COMMISSION .

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The fifth session opened at 10.30 a.m. to-day (10th February). Mr. Brunyate occupied the whole of the morning sitting in presenting a report dealing with the Opium and Morphine question as it concerns India and Burma. The Commission rose at 12.45 p.m.

On re-assembling at 2.15 p.m., Monsieur Ratard handed in a report on the use of Opium and its derivatives in France, and made a few remarks summarizing the position as regards the measures taken in the French concession at Shanghai for controlling the sale and consumption of Opium. He was followed by Monsieur Brenier , who gave a resumé of a report concerning Opium in French Indo-China.

The chief delegate for Portugal , Senhor O.G. Potier, presented a report covering the situation as regards Opium in Macao, and promised a further Memorandum on Portugal and her colonies as soon as he was in receipt of the necessary data.

The reports for Austria-Hungary, Italy and Persia will be ready for presentation to the Commission on Friday, and that for Russia will follow at a later date.

The Commission adjourned at 3.30 p.m. until Friday morning.

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