## CURRENT.

The current necessary to fuse the standard iridio-platinum wires is—

Heat produced by a current.

Number of units of heat\* produced by a current C in time t, in the portion of the circuit whose resistance is r.  $= 0.2405 \ C^2 rt.$ 

<sup>&</sup>quot;This unit of heat belongs to the C. G. S. system, and is the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of one gramme of distilled water, at its maximum density, by I° Cent. The time is expressed in seconds, the current in webers, and the resistance in ohms.