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OVERSEAS

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Times says it doubts if such views will command sympathy there, where trouble such as has been experienced in South Africa from Indian and Chinese labor is already known. The Australian government has become a very real thing in British Columbia. The Times says:

"A continent nearly 2,000,000 miles in extent cannot be divided into a dozen or more compartments," it continues with a reminder to Lord Northcliffe's injunction to make Australia "white" and declares that the world will tolerate an empty, idle Australia, and that a white Australia is decadent on white immigrants."

LAW POPULAR?

Frank Hodges, secretary of the Miners' Federation, and Alfred Short, labor member of the House of Commons for Wednesbury, have again called for a miners' law.

Hodges, who prepared for a Ruskin scholarship, is an omnivorous student. Short was a boiler-maker in early life.

LABOR OPINION.

A miners' law is expected soon

ment in favor of the peace treaty.

The attitude of labor hitherto has

been regarded as uncertain and sup-

porters of the treaty expressed gra-

dually in regard of the impen-

ding declaration.

ATTACK WAGES.

Among trade union leaders, in

the discussion of the company's an-

nouncement of freight reductions,

chief attention was directed to the

connection of reference to wages and

working conditions.

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WOULD RAISE WAGES ON HULL ELECTRIC

An award concurred in by Mr. W. F. O'Connor, K.C., chairman, and Mr. Fred Bancroft, representing the men, which it is understood will raise the present level of wages, which is 43 cents per hour, of the employees of the Hull Electric Railway Company, was sent to the Labor Department yesterday afternoon. A minority report was also submitted by Mr. George D. Kelly, representing the Hull Electric Company.

The contents of the award, against which the men complained, they were receiving 48 cents per hour. When talk of a reduction was made they first asked for fifty-six cents per hour, but later receded from their position and agreed to continue on the forty-eight cents per hour basis. The company would not agree to this, and cut the wages five cents per hour, or to forty-three cents.

During the course of the proceedings before the conciliation board the financial position of the company was set forth in a variety of documents, which tended to show that the company for some time had been operating at a loss. The taking of evidence closed, on Friday afternoon, and the members of the board then began the consideration of their award.

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