

rately, and we found that such Sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first, 123·154 grains, the second, 123·234 grains, the third, 123·204 grains, the fourth, 123·274 grains, the fifth, 123·284 grains, the sixth, 123·244 grains, the seventh, 123·284 grains, the eighth, 123·274 grains, and the ninth, 123·174 grains, and that such Half-Sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first, 61·667 grains, the second, 61·637 grains, and the third, 61·617 grains. We then assayed the said nine Sovereigns and three Half-Sovereigns separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916·70, the second, 916·60, the third, 916·60, the fourth, 916·66, the fifth, 916·66, the sixth, 916·46, the seventh, 916·70, the eighth, 916·90, and the ninth, 916·66 respectively, and the millesimal fineness of such Half-Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916·56, the second, 916·46, and the third, 916·56, respectively. We also took a coin from each of such packets of Silver coins, making altogether ten Crowns, twenty-five Half-Crowns, twenty-seven Florins, thirty-seven Shillings, twenty-eight Sixpences, one Fourpence, twenty-three Threepences, one Twopence, and one Penny, and weighed each of the said Silver coins separately, and ascertained that they were within the remedy prescribed in the said First Schedule to the said Coinage Act, 1870, as amended by the said Coinage Act, 1891. We found that the amount of variation from the Standard of Weight specified in the said First Schedule to the said Act was minus twenty-three thousandths of an ounce (—·023 oz.) on the whole of such coins. We then melted the said Silver coins, so taken out and weighed, into an ingot, and assayed such ingot, comparing it with the standard Silver Trial Plate produced by the Board of Trade, so as to ascertain whether the metal was within the remedy as to fineness prescribed in the said First Schedule to the said Act, and we found that the amount of variation from the Standard of Fineness specified in the said First Schedule to the said Act was minus five ten-thousandths (or —·0005), and that, therefore, the said metal was within the prescribed remedy as to fineness. We weighed the residue of the said Silver coins in bulk, and we ascertained that they were within the remedy as to Weight. We then took from such residue one Crown, one Half-Crown, one Florin, one Shilling, one Sixpence, and one Threepence, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Crown weighed 435·494 grains, that such Half-Crown weighed 218·362 grains, that such Florin weighed 174·845 grains, that such Shilling weighed 87·393 grains, that such Sixpence weighed 43·666 grains, and that such Threepence weighed 21·968 grains. We then assayed the said Crown, the said Half-Crown, the said Florin, the said Shilling, the said Sixpence, and the said Threepence separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Crown to be 924·6, of such Half-Crown to be 925·0, of such Florin to be 924·0, of such Shilling to be 924·8, of such Sixpence to be 924·8, and of such Threepence to be 924·6.

—Dated the fourth day of July, one thousand nine hundred.

*George Matthey, Foreman.*

*R. Williams.*

*F. A. Abel.*

*H. H. Dobree.*

*Alfred Dent.*

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*Geo. F. Pollock, Q.R.*

WE, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn on the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred, before the Queen's Remembrancer, at Goldsmiths' Hall, in the City of London, have made the Assays and Trials of Her Majesty's Gold coins in the Pyx of the Branch Mint, at Perth, in the Colony of West Australia, which, according to accounts produced by the Officers of the Mint, were coined in the said Branch Mint from the twentieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, to the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred, both days inclusive. We ascertained that the number of coins in each packet produced to us corresponded with the number which the Officers of the Mint represented it to contain, and we took a coin from each of such packets of Gold coins, amounting altogether to sixty-seven Sovereigns or Twenty-shilling pieces, and we weighed each of the said coins separately, and ascertained that they were within the remedy as to weight prescribed in the First Schedule to the Coinage Act, 1870, as amended by the Coinage Act, 1891. We found that the amount of variation from the Standard of Weight specified in the said First Schedule to the said Act was minus one thousandth of an ounce (·001 oz.) on the whole of such coins. We then melted the said Gold coins so taken out and weighed into an ingot, and assayed such ingot, comparing it with the standard Gold Trial Plate produced by the Board of Trade, so as to ascertain whether the metal was within the remedy as to fineness prescribed in the said First Schedule to the said Act, and we found that the amount of variation thereof from the Standard of Fineness specified in the said First Schedule to the said Act was plus three ten thousandths (or ·0003), and that, therefore, the said metal was within the prescribed remedy as to fineness. We weighed the residue of the said Gold coins in bulk, and we ascertained that they were within the remedy as to weight. We then took from such residue ten Sovereigns, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first 123·286 grains, the second, 123·354 grains, the third, 123·244 grains, the fourth, 123·264 grains, the fifth, 123·164 grains, the sixth, 123·254 grains, the seventh, 123·304 grains, the eighth, 123·274 grains, the ninth, 123·374 grains, and the tenth, 123·344 grains. We then assayed the said ten Sovereigns separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916·90, the second, 916·90, the third, 917·06, the fourth, 916·66, the fifth, 916·76, the sixth, 916·70, the seventh, 916·90, the eighth, 916·76, the ninth, 916·90, and the tenth, 917·00 respectively.

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