

## SCHEDULE.

ORDERS IN COUNCIL AND PROCLAMATIONS  
RELATING TO THE SYDNEY MINT.

Date of Order or Proclamation.	Subject Matter of Order or Proclamation.
19th August 1853 ...	Order in Council constituting the Sydney branch Mint
18th October 1854 ...	Order in Council approving designs of coins coined at the Sydney Mint
18th October 1854 ...	Order in Council and Proclamation for giving currency to the Australian sovereign and half-sovereign within the Australasian Colonies
3rd February 1866...	Proclamation declaring gold coins made at the Sydney branch Mint a legal tender within the United Kingdom, and imposing a charge on the coinage of gold at the said branch Mint
10th November 1866	Order in Council and Proclamation declaring gold coins made at the Sydney branch Mint a legal tender within certain of Her Majesty's Possessions
14th January 1871 ...	Proclamation for giving currency to gold coins made at the Sydney branch Mint of the like designs as those approved for the corresponding coins of the currency of the United Kingdom
24th March 1871 ...	Proclamation for giving currency in certain Colonies to gold coins made at the Sydney branch Mint of the like designs as those approved for the corresponding coins of the currency of the United Kingdom
23rd November 1877	Order in Council amending the Order in Council of August 19th, 1853, as to the Sydney branch Mint

By the QUEEN.

## A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA, R.

WHEREAS We, by the Order in Council and Proclamation specified in the Schedule to this Proclamation ordered the establishment of a branch of Our Royal Mint at or near Melbourne, in Victoria, and made regulations respecting the same, and regulated the currency of the gold coins coined thereat :

And whereas in pursuance of the Coinage Act, 1870, as amended by the Coinage Act, 1891, We by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, by an Order dated the first day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and a Proclamation therein referred to, applied certain provisions of the said Act to Our Colony of Victoria ;

And whereas it appears to Us desirable to make further provision respecting the said branch Mint ;

We, therefore, in pursuance of the said Act and the last-mentioned Order and Proclamation, and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do hereby by and with the advice of Our Privy Council proclaim, direct, and ordain as follows :—

1. A branch of Our Mint shall continue to be established at or near Melbourne in Our Colony of Victoria on its present site, or on such other site as the Governor of the Colony in Council may approve.

2. Gold coins may be coined at the Melbourne branch Mint so established, and shall be of the same denominations, designs, weights, and fineness, and subject to the allowance of the same remedy as gold coins coined at Our Mint in England.

3. The Master of Our Mint shall prepare and transmit such dies as may be required for the gold coins to be coined at the Melbourne Branch Mint.

4. The gold coins coined in pursuance of this Proclamation at the Melbourne Branch Mint shall be deemed to have been issued from Our Mint, and shall be current and a legal tender in like manner and to the like extent as if they had been coined and issued in England.

5.—(i) If any person brings to the Melbourne branch Mint any gold bullion, the Deputy Master of that branch shall assay coin and deliver out the same to such person upon payment for every ounce troy of gold of standard fineness of a charge of one penny : Provided that—

(a) where the gold bullion so brought is such that it cannot be brought to the standard fineness of the coin to be coined thereout without refining the whole or some portion of it the Deputy Master shall demand for assaying and refining the same such additional charge as the Governor of Victoria in Council may from time to time fix, and until such charge is paid to him may refuse to receive, assay, or coin such bullion ; and

(b) where the bullion brought to the branch Mint for coinage is finer than the standard fineness of the coin to be coined thereout, there shall be delivered to the person bringing the same such additional amount of coin as is proportionate to such superior fineness ;

(c) no undue preference shall be shown to any person as respects the bullion brought to the branch Mint, and every person shall have priority according to the time at which he brought it ;

(d) the Governor of Victoria in Council may make regulations for carrying into effect the provisions of this Article with respect to gold bullion, and the bringing, coining, and delivery out thereof, and in particular for regulating the time and conditions at and under which it is to be so brought, assayed, coined, and delivered out, and the minimum amount which may be so brought.

(ii) The charges under this Article for coining, assaying, and refining shall be collected by the Deputy Master in accordance with the said regulations, either as a payment in advance, or as a deduction from the coin delivered out, or otherwise, and shall be accounted for and paid over in such manner as the Governor of Victoria in Council directs to the Colonial Treasurer of Victoria to be by him paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Colony.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Proclamation, the branch Mint at Melbourne shall, for the