

*Treasury Chambers, July 17, 1905.*

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice, that at a Trial of the Pyx, begun at Goldsmiths' Hall, in the City of London, on the 6th June, and concluded on the 5th July, 1905, the following Verdicts of the Pyx Jury were delivered to the King's Remembrancer, viz. :—

**TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE LONDON MINT.**

**VERDICT.**

WE, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn this sixth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and five, before the King's Remembrancer, at Goldsmiths' Hall, in the City of London, have made the Assays and Trials of His Majesty's Gold and Silver Coins in the Pyx of the Royal Mint, in London, which, according to accounts produced by the Officers of the Mint, were coined in the said Mint from the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and four, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and five, both days inclusive. We ascertained that the number of coins, both of gold and silver, in each packet produced to us, corresponded with the number which the Officers of the Mint represented it to contain; and we took two coins from each of such packets of Gold coins, amounting altogether to seventy Sovereigns or Twenty-shilling pieces, and to twenty Half-Sovereigns or Ten-shilling pieces, and we weighed each of the said coins separately, so as to ascertain whether 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 plus 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 four hundred-thousandths (or +.0004), 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 six Sovereigns, and three Half-Sovereigns, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first, 123.142 grains, the second, 123.170 grains, the third, 123.282 grains, the fourth, 123.108 grains, the fifth, 123.192 grains, the sixth, 123.285 grains, and that such Half-Sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first, 61.699 grains, the second, 61.645 grains, the third, 61.650 grains. We then assayed the said six Sovereigns, and three Half-Sovereigns separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916.56, the second, 916.70, the third, 916.86, the fourth, 916.46, the fifth, 916.66, the sixth, 916.70 respectively, and the millesimal fineness of such Half-Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916.80, the second, 916.70, the third, 916.86 respectively. We also took four coins from each of such packets of Silver coins, making altogether sixteen Half-Crowns, thirty-two Florins, forty-four Sixpences, four Fourpences, thirty-six Threepences, four Twopences, and four Pence,

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 three-thousandths of an ounce (−.003 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 plus four ten-thousandths (or +.0004), 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 Half-Crown, one Florin, one Sixpence, and one Threepence, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Half-Crown weighed 217.409 grains, that such Florin weighed 174.367 grains, that such Sixpence weighed 43.670 grains, and that such Threepence weighed 21.764 grains. We then assayed the said Half-Crown, the said Florin, the said Sixpence, and the said Threepence separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Half-Crown to be 925.1, of such Florin to be 925.8, of such Sixpence to be 926.5, and of such Threepence to be 925.2. —Dated the fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and five.

*G. Matthey, Foreman.*

*Wm. Trotter.*

*R. Williams.*

*John B. Carrington.*

*Henry F. Bowles.*

*Frank Eady.*

*Harrowby.*

*Chas. H. Townley.*

*Alfred Baldwin.*

*H. C. Lambert.*

*H. W. Robinson.*

*Geo. H. Pite.*

*Dunboyne, King's Remembrancer.*

**TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE MELBOURNE MINT.**

**VERDICT.**

WE, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn this sixth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and five, before the King's Remembrancer, at Goldsmiths' Hall, in the City of London, have made the Assays and Trials of His Majesty's Gold and Silver coins in the Pyx of the Branch Mint at Melbourne, in the Colony of Victoria, which, according to accounts produced by the Officers of the Mint, were coined in the said Branch Mint from the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and four, to the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and five, both days inclusive. We ascertained that the number of coins in each packet produced to us corresponded with the number which the