

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 five, to the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and six, 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 one coin from each of such packets of Gold coins, amounting altogether to ninety-seven Sovereigns or Twenty-shilling pieces, and two Half-sovereigns or Ten-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 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 thirteen hundred-thousandths (or +00013), 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 two Half-sovereigns, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first, 123.196 grains, the second, 123.193 grains, the third, 123.306 grains, the fourth, 123.286 grains, the fifth, 123.355 grains, the sixth, 123.224 grains the seventh, 123.304 grains, the eighth, 123.402 grains, the ninth, 123.193 grains, and the tenth, 123.322 grains, and that such Half-sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first, 61.530 grains, and the second, 61.548 grains. We then assayed the said ten Sovereigns and two Half-sovereigns separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916.69, the second, 916.70, the third, 916.72, the fourth, 916.74, the fifth, 916.80, the sixth, 916.79, the seventh, 916.92, the eighth, 916.79, the ninth, 916.78, and the tenth, 916.69 respectively, and the millesimal fineness of such Half-sovereigns to be, the first, 916.75, and the second, 916.67 respectively.—Dated the fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and six.

*G. Matthey, Foreman.*

*R. Williams.*

*H. H. Dobree.*

*Henry F. Bowles.*

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*James R. Mellor, King's Remembrancer.*

## TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE PERTH MINT.

### VERDICT.

WE, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn on the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and six, before the King's Remembrancer, at Goldsmiths' Hall, in the City of London, have made the Assays and Trials of His 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 first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five, to the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and six, 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 one coin from each of such packets of Gold coins, amounting altogether to one hundred and fifty-three 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 plus three-thousandths of an ounce (+003 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 thirteen hundred-thousandths (or +00013), 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, 123.208 grains, the second, 123.228 grains, the third, 123.282 grains, the fourth, 123.238 grains, the fifth, 123.222 grains, the sixth, 123.313 grains, the seventh, 123.226 grains, the eighth, 123.351 grains, the ninth, 123.27 grains, and the tenth, 123.321 grains. We then assayed the said Ten Sovereigns, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916.79, the second, 916.65, the third, 916.86, the fourth, 916.75, the fifth, 916.83, the sixth, 916.79, the seventh, 916.75, the eighth, 916.75, the ninth, 916.65, and the tenth, 916.75 respectively.—Dated the fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and six.

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