

the millesimal fineness of such half-crowns to be—the first 924·6, the second 925·2, the third 925·2; and the fourth 925·1; of such florins to be—the first 924·1, the second 924·8, and the third 925·3; of such shillings to be—the first 924·2 and the second 925·0; of such sixpence to be 924·0, and of such threepence to be 924·3.

Dated the 14th day of May, 1919.

*R. Williams (Foreman).*

*Alfred Dent.*

*John B. Carrington.*

*Henry F. Bowles.*

*Harrowby.*

*Chas. H. Townley.*

*H. C. Lambert.*

*Boverton Redwood.*

*J. F. W. Deacon.*

*Harry Alston.*

*W. H. N. Goschen.*

*H. A. Trotter.*

*Henry C. Pearson.*

*Charles T. Heycock.*

*H. W. Robinson.*

*Geo. H. Pite.*

*John Macdonell, King's Remembrancer.*

#### TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE PERTH BRANCH MINT.

##### VERDICT.

We, whose names are hereunder written; having been sworn on the eighteenth day of March, One thousand nine hundred and nineteen, 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 State of Western Australia, which, according to accounts produced by the Officers of the Mint, were coined in the said Branch Mint from the first day of January, One thousand nine hundred and eighteen, to the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and eighteen, 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 sixty-nine 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 as so amended 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 amended as aforesaid, and we found that the amount of variation thereof from the standard of fineness specified in the said First Schedule to the said Act as so amended was minus two hundred-thousandths (or -·00002), 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 five sovereigns and weighed and assayed them separately; and we found that such sovereigns weighed respectively, the first 123·332 grains, the second 123·200 grains, the third 123·339 grains, the fourth 123·323 grains, and the fifth 123·276 grains.

We then assayed the said five sovereigns separately and we found the millesimal fineness of such sovereigns to be, the first 916·62, the second 916·71, the third 916·94, the fourth 916·73 and the fifth 916·72 respectively.

Dated the 14th day of May, 1919.

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*John Macdonell, King's Remembrancer.*

#### TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE MEL- BOURNE BRANCH MINT.

##### VERDICT.

We, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn on the eighteenth day of March, One thousand nine hundred and nineteen, 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 Melbourne, in the State 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 January, One thousand nine hundred and eighteen, to the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and eighteen, 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 two or all if there were less than two coins from each of such packets of Gold coins, amounting altogether to sixty-nine 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 as so amended 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 Amended as aforesaid, and we found that the amount of