

Crown Office,

15th May, 1925.

The KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal bearing date the 15th day of May, 1925, to appoint:—

The Right Honourable William Clive Bridgeman,

Admiral of the Fleet David Earl Beatty, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., D.S.O., LL.D., D.C.L.,

Vice-Admiral The Honourable Sir Hubert George Brand, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., C.B.,

Rear-Admiral Sir Alfred Ernle Montacute Chatfield, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., C.V.O.,

Rear-Admiral John Donald Kelly, C.B., Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Laurence

Field, K.C.B., K.C.M.G.,

Rear-Admiral Frederic Charles Dreyer, C.B., C.B.E.,

James Richard Earl Stanhope, D.S.O., M.C.,

to be Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom.

Treasury Chambers,

15th May, 1925.

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 3rd March, and concluded on the 6th May, 1925, the following Verdicts of the Pyx Jury were delivered to the King's Remembrancer, viz.:—

ROYAL COURTS OF JUSTICE.

TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE LONDON MINT.

VERDICT.

We, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn on the third day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, before the King's Remembrancer, at Goldsmiths' Hall, in the City of London, have made the assays and trials of His Majesty's 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 January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, to the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, both days inclusive. We found that there were no gold coins in the said Pyx, and we ascertain that the number of coins of 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 silver coins, making altogether Ninety-four half-crowns, Forty-four florins, Ninety-six shillings, One hundred and six sixpences, One fourpence, One threepence, One twopence, and One penny, and weighed each of the said silver 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 Coinage Act, 1870, as so amended was plus twenty-eight thousandths of an ounce (·028 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 Trial Plate made of pure silver (as prescribed by the Coinage Act, 1920) 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 Coinage Act, 1870, as amended by the Coinage Acts, 1891 and 1920, and we found that the amount of variation from the standard of fineness specified in the said First Schedule to the Coinage Act, 1870, as so amended was plus ninety-seven hundred-thousandths (or ·00097), 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 Two half-crowns, Two florins, Two shillings and Two sixpences, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such half-crowns weighed respectively—the first 219·070 grains, the second 217·984 grains: that such florins weighed respectively—the first 173·721 grains, the second 175·024 grains: that such shillings weighed respectively—the first 86·755 grains, the second 87·789 grains: that such sixpences weighed respectively—the first 43·608 grains, the second 43·519 grains. We then assayed the said Two half-crowns, the said Two florins, the said Two shillings and the said Two sixpences separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such half-crowns to be the first 497·95, the second 501·72: of such florins to be the first 498·95, the second 502·05: of such shillings to be the first 501·75, the second 499·25: of such sixpences to be the first 504·00, the second 501·87.

Dated the 6th day of May, 1925.

R. WILLIAMS (Foreman).

JOHN B. CARRINGTON.

HENRY F. BOWLES.

ALDENHAM.

HARROWBY.

J. F. W. DEACON.

W. H. N. GOSCHEN.

H. A. TROTTER.

HENRY CHARLES PEARSON.

C. T. HEYCOCK.

LEWIS BUTLER.

G. BOOTH HEMING.

H. C. HAMBRO.

ARTHUR D. BISHOP.

SYDNEY C. ROBINSON.

T. WILLES CHITTY,

King's Remembrancer.

TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE SYDNEY BRANCH MINT.

VERDICT.

We, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn on the third day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, before the King's Remembrancer, at Gold-