Treasury Chambers, 12th May, 1927.

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 1st March and concluded on the 4th May, 1927, 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 on the first day of March One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven 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 pro-duced by the Officers of the Mint, were coined in the said Mint from the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six to thirty-first day the of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive. We found that there were no gold coins in the said Pyx and we ascertained 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. We took Two coins from each of such packets of silver coins, making altogether 50 half-crowns, 38 florins, 172 shillings, 120 sixpences, 1 fourpence, 25 threepences, 1 twopence, and 1 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 eight thousandths of an ounce (+.008 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 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 First Schedule to the Coinage Act 1870 as so amended was minus one hundred and fifty-two hundred-thousandths (or -00152), 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 2 half-crowns, 2 florins, 2 shillings, 2 sixpences, and 2 threepences, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such half-crowns weighed respectively, the first 217.621 grains, the second 218.280 grains; that such florins weighed respectively, the first 174.716 grains, the second 173.908 grains; that such shillings weighed respectively, the

first 87.551 grains, the second 87.108 grains; that such sixpences weighed respectively, the first 43.501 grains, the second 43.572 grains; and that such threepences weighed respectively, the first 21.817 grains, the second 21.729 grains. We then assayed the said 2 half-crowns, the said 2 florins, the said 2 shillings, the said 2 sixpences, and the said 2 threepences separately and we found the millesimal fineness of such half-crowns to be the first 498.5, the second 496.9; of such florins to be the first 496.6, the second 495.7, of such shillings to be the first 497.2, the second 496.0; of such sixpences to be the first 500.0, the second 501.9, and of such threepences to be the first 499.3, the second 502.6.

Dated the 4th day of May, 1927.

R. WILLIAMS (Foreman). HENRY F. BOWLES. ALDENHAM. HARROWBY. J. F. W. DEACON. W. H. N. GOSCHEN. CHARLES T. HEYCOCK. LEWIS BUTLER. G. BOOTH HEMING. H. C. HAMBRO. ARTHUR D. BISHOP. SYDNEY C. ROBINSON.

G. A. BONNER, King's Remembrancer.

TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE PERTH BRANCH MINT.

VERDICT.

WE, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn on the first day of March One thousand nine hundred and twentyseven, 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 1st day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six to the 31st day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-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 5 coins from each of such packets of gold coins, amounting altogether to 95 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 We found that the amount of Act, 1891. variation from the standard of weight specified in the said First Schedule to the said Act as so amended was nil 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