

5. Tenders must be made through a London Banker, Discount House or Broker.

6. The persons whose Tenders are accepted will be informed of the same not later than the following day, and payment in full of the amounts of the accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England by means of Cash or a Banker's Draft on the Bank of England not later than 1.30 p.m. (Saturday 12 noon) on the day on which the relative Bills are to be dated.

7. Members of the House of Commons are not precluded from tendering for these Bills.

8. Tenders must be made on the printed forms which may be obtained from the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England.

9. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers,  
21st May, 1948.

*Treasury Chambers, 19th May, 1948.*

"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 10th day of March and concluded on the 5th day of May, 1948, the following Verdict of the Pyx Jury was 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 10th day of March 1948 before the King's Remembrancer at Goldsmiths' Hall in the City of London made the following assays and trials of His Majesty's 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 7th day of November 1946 to the 31st day of December 1947, both dates inclusive.

1. We ascertained the number of coins in each packet produced to us and that such number corresponded with the number which the officers of the Mint represented the packet to contain.

2. We found no gold coins in the said pyx.

3. (a) We found that the silver coins therein weighed in all not more than twelve ounces troy.

(b) We weighed in bulk such silver coins and we ascertained that they were on the whole within the variation from the standard weight allowed under the Coinage Acts 1870 to 1946 (hereinafter called "the Acts") being one thousandth part of an ounce (+.001) above the standard weight prescribed by the Acts.

(c) We then assayed such silver coins comparing them with the silver trial plate produced by the Board of Trade and we found that on the whole of such coins there was no variation from the standard fineness or composition prescribed by the Acts.

4. (a) We found that the cupro-nickel coins in the said pyx weighed in all more than twelve ounces troy and we took one coin from each packet of cupro-nickel coins.

(b) We weighed each twelve ounces troy (at its standard weight) of cupro-nickel coins so taken out and ascertained that the amount of its variation from the said standard weight was the amount recorded in respect thereof in the schedule hereto, and that each twelve ounces troy (at its standard weight) was therefore within the variation from the said standard weight allowed under the Acts.

(c) We then assayed separately cupro-nickel coins weighing in all twelve ounces troy (at standard weight) comparing them with the copper trial plate and the nickel trial plate produced by the Board of Trade and we found that the amount of variation from the standard fineness or composition prescribed by the Acts was one fifth of one per cent. (0.2 per cent.) on the whole of the cupro-nickel coins assayed, and therefore within the variation from fineness or composition allowed under the Acts.

(d) We weighed in bulk the residue of the coins remaining in the packets of cupro-nickel coins and we ascertained that they were on the whole within the variation from the said standard weight allowed under the Acts, being one ounce and two hundred and eighty-eight thousandth parts of an ounce (+1.288) above the standard weight prescribed by the Acts.

Dated the 5th day of May, 1948.

#### THE SCHEDULE.

Two weighings of twelve ounces troy showed no variation from the said standard weight: five such weighings showed variations of two, five, three, seven and two thousandth parts of an ounce (+.002, +.005, +.003, +.007 and +.002) respectively above the said standard weight: and three such weighings showed variations of ten, five and one thousandth parts of an ounce (−.010, −.005 and −.001) respectively below the said standard weight.

Arthur Wakely.  
R. S. Hutton.  
G. C. H. Matthey.  
Ronald Copeland.  
H. M. Parsons.  
C. Bailey.  
D. M. Touche.  
W. R. Cornelius.  
W. Godfrey Allen.  
Charles G. Biggs.  
H. E. Lindsey.  
J. S. Forbes.  
S. F. Haydon.

Percy Reginald Simner,  
King's Remembrancer.

*Foreign Office, 20th May, 1948.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint (with effect from the dates respectively indicated):—  
Gilbert MacKereth, Esquire, C.M.G., M.C., to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Bogota (19th December, 1947);  
Sir Oliver Charles Harvey, G.C.M.G., C.B., to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Paris (8th January, 1948);  
Pierson John Dixon, Esquire, C.B., C.M.G., to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Prague (18th January, 1948);  
and  
Sir Philip Bouverie Bowyer Nichols, K.C.M.G., M.C., to be His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at The Hague (27th February, 1948).

*Foreign Office, 20th May, 1948.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint the undermentioned gentlemen to be Officers of His Majesty's Foreign Service in the Grades respectively indicated, with effect from the dates specified after their names:—

##### First Grade.

Sir William Strang, K.C.M.G., C.B., M.B.E. (14th November, 1947).

##### Second Grade.

Sir Edmund Hall-Patch, K.C.M.G. (1st January, 1948).

##### Third Grade.

John Monro Troutbeck, Esquire, C.M.G. (9th November, 1947).

##### Fourth Grade.

Henry Ashley Clarke, Esquire, C.M.G. (1st January, 1948).

Christopher Eden Steel, Esquire, C.M.G., M.V.O. (1st January, 1948).

##### Fifth Grade.

Eric Ralph Lingeman, Esquire, C.B.E. (1st January, 1948).

##### Sixth Grade.

Frank Kenyon Roberts, Esquire, C.M.G. (1st August, 1945).

##### Seventh Grade.

Reginald Milburn, Esquire (29th September, 1947).

John Kenneth Blackwell, Esquire (21st Oct. 1947).

Guy Elwin Millard, Esquire (1st February, 1948).

Hubert Norman Pullar, Esquire (1st February, 1948).

*Foreign Office, 20th May, 1948.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint (with effect from the dates respectively indicated):—  
Arthur Herbert Marlow, Esquire, C.B.E., to be His Majesty's Consul-General for the States of Iowa, Indiana, Illinois (with the exception of the counties of Madison, Bond, Fayette, Effingham, Jasper, Crawford, Lawrence, Richland, Clay, Marion, Clinton, St. Clair, Monroe; Washington, Jefferson,