

Treasury Chambers, July 26, 1906.

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 12th June, and concluded on the 5th July, 1906, 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 this 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 and 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 July, one thousand nine hundred and five, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and six, both days inclusive. We ascertained that the number of coins, both of gold and silver, in each packet produced to us, corresponded with the number which the Officers of the Mint represented it to contain; and we took three coins from each of such packets of Gold coins, making altogether fifty-four Sovereigns or Twenty-shilling pieces, and sixty Half-Sovereigns or Ten-shilling pieces, and we weighed each of the said coins separately, so as to ascertain whether 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 minus two-thousandths of an ounce (-002 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 seven hundred-thousandths (or $+00007$), 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 six Sovereigns, and four Half-Sovereigns, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first, 123·365 grains, the second, 123·217 grains, the third, 123·405 grains, the fourth, 123·423 grains, the fifth, 123·199 grains, the sixth, 123·126 grains, and that such Half-Sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first, 61·581 grains, the second, 61·575 grains, the third, 61·580 grains, and the fourth, 61·645 grains. We then assayed the said six Sovereigns and four Half-Sovereigns separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916·66, the second, 916·86, the third, 916·66, the fourth, 916·84, the fifth, 916·87, the sixth, 916·61 respectively, and the millesimal fineness of such Half-Sovereigns to be,—the first, 916·66, the second, 916·72, the third, 916·73, and the fourth, 916·86 respectively. We also took a coin from each of such packets of Silver coins, making

altogether twelve Half-Crowns, twenty-three Florins, twenty-four Shillings, seventeen Sixpences, one Fourpence, eleven Threepences, one Twopence, and one Penny, and weighed each of the said Silver coins separately, so as to ascertain whether they were within the remedy prescribed in the said First Schedule to the said Coinage Act, 1870, as amended by the said 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 Silver coins; so taken out and weighed, into an ingot, and assayed such ingot, comparing it with the standard Silver 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 from the Standard of Fineness specified in the said First Schedule to the said Act was nil, 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 one Half-Crown, one Florin, one Shilling, one Sixpence, and one Threepence, and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Half-Crown weighed 218·137 grains, that such Florin weighed 174·488 grains, that such Shilling weighed 87·055 grains, that such Sixpence weighed 43·593 grains, and that such Threepence weighed 21·935 grains. We then assayed the said Half-Crown, the said Florin, the said Shilling, the said Sixpence, and the said Threepence separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Half-Crown to be 924·1, of such Florin to be 925, of such Shilling to be 924·9, of such Sixpence to be 924·9, and of such Threepence to be 924·8. —Dated the 5th day of July, 1906.

G. Matthey, Foreman.

R. Williams.

H. H. Dobree.

Henry F. Bowles.

Frank Eady.

Alban Gibbs.

Chas. H. Townley.

Alfred Baldwin.

H. C. Lambert.

H. W. Robinson.

Geo. H. Pite.

James R. Mellor, King's Remembrancer.

TRIAL OF THE PYX OF THE MELBOURNE 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 Melbourne, in the Colony of