

and ten, to the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and ten, 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 all the coins from each of such packets of Gold coins, amounting altogether to eight 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 one thousandth of an ounce (+ 001 oz.) on the whole of such coins; took such eight Sovereigns and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Sovereigns weighed respectively, the first 123·250 grains, the second 123·429 grains, the third 123·415 grains, the fourth 123·209 grains, the fifth 123·309 grains, the sixth 123·358 grains, the seventh 123·129 grains, and the eighth 123·411 grains. We then assayed the said eight Sovereigns separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Sovereigns to be, the first 916·59, the second 916·57, the third 916·54, the fourth 916·68, the fifth 916·61, the sixth 916·50, the seventh 916·64, and the eighth 916·54 respectively.

Dated the 10th day of May, 1911.

*G. Matthey, Foreman.*

*R. Williams.*

*Alfred Dent.*

*John B. Carrington.*

*Henry F. Bowles.*

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*James R. Mellor, King's Remembrancer.*

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

#### VERDICT.

We, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn on the eighth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, 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 Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, which, according to accounts produced by the Officers of the Mint,

were coined in the said Branch Mint from the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and ten, to the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and ten, 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 coins from each of such packets of Gold coins, amounting altogether to seventy-six Sovereigns or Twenty-shilling pieces, and to eight Half-Sovereigns or Ten-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 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 variation thereof from the Standard of Fineness specified in the said First Schedule to the said Act as so amended was plus six hundred thousandths (or + 00006), 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 two Half-Sovereigns and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such Sovereigns weighed respectively—the first 123·206 grains, the second 123·415 grains, the third 123·202 grains, the fourth 123·224 grains, the fifth 123·116 grains, the sixth 123·386 grains, and that such Half-Sovereigns weighed respectively—the first 61·606 grains and the second 61·532 grains. We then assayed the said six Sovereigns and two Half-Sovereigns separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such Sovereigns to be, the first 916·82, the second 916·83, the third 916·68, the fourth 916·66, the fifth 916·79, the sixth 916·78 respectively, and the millesimal fineness of such Half-Sovereigns to be, the first 916·87 and the second 916·72 respectively.

Dated the 10th day of May, 1911.

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