hundred-thousandths below (-'00015), the standard fineness prescribed as aforesaid.

Dated the 7th day of May, 1930.

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King's Remembrancer.

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

## VERDICT.

WE, whose names are hereunder written, having been sworn on the Eleventh day of March One thousand nine hundred and Thirty, 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 State of Victoria, which, according to accounts produced by the Officers of the Mint, were coined in the said Branch Mint from the First day of January One thousand nine hundred and Twenty-nine to the Thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and Twenty-nine, both days inclusive. 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 it to contain, and we took out Five coins from each of such packets of gold coins, amounting altogether to 25 sovereigns or twenty-shilling pieces, and we weighed separately each of the said coins so taken out, and ascertained that they were within the remedy as to weight prescribed by the Coinage Acts, 1870 to 1920. found that the amount of variation from the standard weight so prescribed was plus one thousandth of an ounce (+.001 oz.) on the whole of such coins. We then melted all the said gold coins so taken out and separately weighed into an ingot, and assayed such ingot, comparing it with the standard Trial Plate of gold produced by the Board of Trade, so as to ascertain whether the metal of the said ingot was within the remedy as to fineness prescribed as aforesaid, and we found that the amount of variation thereof from the standard fineness so prescribed was minus four hundredthousandths (or -.00004), and that therefore the said metal was within the remedy as to fineness allowed under the Coinage Acts, 1870 to 1920. We weighed in bulk the residue of the said coins remaining in the said packets of gold coins, and we ascertained that they were on the whole within the variation from the standard weight allowed under the Coinage Acts 1870 to 1920, being Five thousandths (+005) of an ounce above the standard weight prescribed by the said Acts. We then took

from such residue two sovereigns and weighed and assayed them separately, and we found that such sovereigns weighed respectively,—the first 123:313 grains, the second 123:202 grains, and that therefore the said sovereigns were respectively the first Thirty-nine thousandths of a grain above (+·039), the second Seventy-two thousandths of a grain below (-·072), the standard weight prescribed by the Coinage Acts 1870 to 1920.

We then assayed the said two sovereigns separately, and we found the millesimal fineness of such sovereigns to be, the first 916-55, the second 916-55 and that therefore the said sovereigns were respectively, the first Eleven hundred-thousandths below (-00011), the second Eleven hundred-thousandths below (-00011), the standard of fineness prescribed as aforesaid.

Dated the 7th day of May, 1930.

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King's Remembrancer.

The Home Secretary gives notice that in pursuance of Section 2 (1) of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, 1920, he has made an Order authorising the employment on two day-shifts, of male young persons of 16 years of age and over in cutting up, press work, machining, assembling and finishing at the works of Messrs. Constructors Limited, Tyburn Road, Erdington, subject to the conditions that a worker shall not be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks and that suitable cloakroom and messroom accommodation and washing facilities shall be provided.

Whitehall, 19th May, 1930.

The Home Secretary gives notice that in pursuance of Section 2 (1) of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, 1920, he has made an Order authorising the employment on two day-shifts, of women of 18 years of age and over in knitting ladies' berets on circular knitting machines at the works of Messrs. Thomas Morley and Son, Great Central Street, Leicester, subject to the conditions that a worker shall not be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks and that suitable cloakroom and messroom accommodation shall be provided.

Whitehall, 19th May, 1930.