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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
12th September 1862.

No. 28. Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India; to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated London, 7th August 1862, No. 49.

I forward, in the Packet, a copy of the Report of the Master of the Royal Mint on the Pyx Coins of the several Indian Mints of the year 1861.

2. The Report is very satisfactory. "The standard weight of the various pieces is maintained with the usual exactness at all the Mints. The composition as ascertained by assay is also close to standard and equally satisfactory."

From THOMAS GRAHAM, Esq., to GEORGE A. HAMILTON, Esq., &c., &c., &c., dated 21st July 1862.

The examination of the Pyx Coins of the India Mint transmitted to me by directions of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury with your letter of the 14th May last, being completed, I have the honor to report on the weight and fineness of the Coins and to return the Bullion remaining.

The Coins were first weighed singly by the Mint balance, then cut into halves, and as on former occasions distributed to Dr. Hofmann and Dr. Miller, Assayers of the Royal Mint, by whom each Coin was separately assayed and reported upon. The Silver assays are uniformly made here by the humid process.

Weight and Fineness of Coins issued by the Indian Mints in 1861.

No. of Pieces.	Presidency.	Denomination of Coins.	Weight (gross) oz.	Average weight of each piece in grains.	Proportion of Silver in 1,000 parts.	Proportion of Gold in 1,000 parts.
4	Calcutta...	Gold Mohurs...	1.500	180.000		917.16
70	"	Silver Rupees...	26.250	180.000	916.822	
20	"	" Half Rupees...	3.750	90.000	916.767	
20	"	" Quarter Rupees...	1.875	45.000	917.352	
20	"	" Two Anna pieces...	0.937	22.888	917.770	
70	Madras...	" Rupees...	26.250	180.000	917.080	
13	"	" Half Rupees...	2.437	89.981	916.400	
24	"	" Quarter Rupees...	2.250	45.000	916.727	
30	"	" Two Anna pieces...	1.406	22.496	916.790	
70	Bombay...	" Rupees...	26.250	180.000	916.888	

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No. 62. ORDER THEREON, 12th September 1862, No. 662.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Despatch and of its enclosure be forwarded to the Mint Master for his information.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Right Honble the Secretary
of State for India.

(Dated 7th August N^o 49
of 1862)

Order - 12th September 1862 No 662

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