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No. 47. Read the following Despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated India Office, London, 15th December 1870, No. 141 (Financial):—

I forward, herewith, copy of the Report of the Deputy Master of the Royal Mint, on the Pyx Coins of the several Indian Mints for the year 1869.

2. The Report states that "the standard weight of the various pieces appears "to be maintained with the usual accuracy at all the Mints, and the composition, "as ascertained by assay, is satisfactory and generally close to standard."

From C. W. FREMANTLE, Esq., Deputy Master of the Royal Mint, to the Secretary to the Treasury, dated Royal Mint, 17th November 1870.

No. 16,697.

The examination of the Pyx Coins of the Indian Mints, transmitted to me by direction of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, on the 10th of September last, being completed, I have the honour to report on the weights 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 the Assayers of the Mint, Messrs. Johnson and Sons, and Dr. Stenhouse, by whom each coin has been separately assayed and reported upon.

The standard weight of the various pieces appears to be maintained with the usual accuracy at all the Mints, and the composition, as ascertained by assay, is satisfactory and generally close to standard.

In accordance with the directions of their Lordships, I have caused parting assays to be made of the silver coins of each Presidency, in order to ascertain the average proportion of gold contained in them, and the result is shown in my Report. These assays have been made in the manner detailed in my Report of the 25th October 1869.

BULLION RETURNED.

		Calcutta.	
Gold	Fine		0·310
	Standard		1·145
	Total		1·455
Silver	Fine		9·770
	Standard		18·500
	Total		28·270
		Bombay.	
Silver	Fine		5·555
	Standard		16·280
	Total		21·835
		Madras.	
Silver	Fine		0·930
	Standard		1·220
	Total		2·150

WEIGHT AND FINENESS of Coins issued from the Indian Mints, 1869.

No. of pieces.	Presidency.	Denomination of coin.	Gross weight.	Average weight of a piece in grains.	Proportion of gold in 1000 parts.	Proportion of silver in 1000 parts.	Average proportion of gold in the silver coins as ascertained by parting assay in 1000 parts.
			Oz.	Grains.			
4	Calcutta...	Gold Mohurs...	1·498	179·760	916·15	...	.....
60	,,	Whole Rupees.	22·502	180·016	...	916·145	Calcutta 000·6
20	,,	Half Rupees...	3·743	89·832	...	916·225	
24	,,	Quarter Rupees.	2·250	45·000	...	916·215	
24	,,	2 Anna pieces.	1·121	22·420	...	916·295	
5	Madras ...	Whole Rupees.	1·876	180·096	...	916·420	Madras 000·9
17	,,	2 Anna pieces.	·797	22·503	...	915·790	
60	Bombay...	Whole Rupees.	22·503	180·024	...	916·575	Bombay 000·2

ROYAL MINT,
17*th November* 1870.

(Signed) C. W. FREMANTLE,
Deputy Master and Comptroller.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
20th January 1871.

No. 48. ORDER THEREON, 20th January 1871, No. 35.

Communicated to the Assay Master and to the Accountant-General.

2. Ordered, also, that the Despatch, and its enclosure, be published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, for general information.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Assay Master.
,, Accountant-General.

Encl. J. Wright.

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Royal Mint

17th November 1870.

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The Coins were first weighed singly by the Mint Balance, then cut into halves, and as on former occasions

The Secretary,
The Treasury.

A. W. Lumley

Copy of 1871 Warrant.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE ASSAY MASTER, &c., &c., &c.

Dated January, 20th.

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G. O., 20th January 1871, No. 35.

JANUARY.
Nos. 47-48.

Communicating Despatch from the Secretary of State, forwarding copy of the Report of the Deputy Master of the Royal Mint, on the Pyx Coins of the several Indian Mints for 1869, and directing the publication of the Despatch, and its enclosure, in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*.

Bullion Returned

Calcutta
Gold { Fine 0.310 / Standard 1.145 } 1.455
Silver { Fine 9.770 / Standard 1/2 1.440 } 2.210
Bombay
Silver { Fine 5.595 / Standard 16.640 } 21.235
Madras
Silver { Fine 0.930 / Standard 1.220 } 2.150

accounts, distributed to the officers of the Mints, which Mr. Johnson de Sono and Dr Glenhouse, by whom each Coin has been separately assayed and reported upon.

The Standard Weight of the various pieces appears to be maintained with the usual accuracy at all the Mints, and the Composition, as ascertained by Assay, is satisfactory and generally close to Standard.

In accordance with the directions of their Lordships, I have caused Assays to be made of the Silver Coins of each Residency in order to ascertain the average proportion of Gold contained in them

and

(Copy)

Weight and Fineness of Coins issued from the Indian Mints. 1869

No: of Pieces	Presidency	Denomination of Coin	Grofs Weight	average Weight of a piece in Grains	Proportion of Gold in 1000 parts	Proportion of Silver in 1000 parts	Average proportion of Gold in the Silver Coins as ascertained by parting assay in 1000 parts.
			Oz	Grains			
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Royal Mint
17th Novr 1870.

(Signed) C. W. Fremantle
Deputy Master & Comptroller

C. W. Fremantle

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in the manner detailed in my
Report of the 25th October 1869.

I am &c

(Signed) C. W. Fremantle

No. 4 Madras 2492.

Copy Report on Pyx coins for 1869.

Referred to in Financial Letter to Madras, No. 141, dated 15th Dec. 1870

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India Office, London
15 December 1870.

Financial
No. 141.

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I have the honor to be
My Lord
Your Lordship's most obedient
humble Servant

His Excellency
The Right Honble
The Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Proceedings 7th December 1869. Nos 12-13.

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Financial
15 Dec. 1870.

To
Letter to Fort St. George
No 141.

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20 January 1871 No 35.

Communicated to the Mint Master, and to the Accountant General.

Ordered also that the Despatch and its Enclosure be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette for general information.

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To
The Mint Master.
The Accountant General
Gazette. 3/1

Transmit 24/1

Forwards copy of the Report of the Deputy Master of the Royal Mint, on the Pyx Coins of the several Indian Mints for the year 1869.

With an order.

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To The Assay Master
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Dated Jany. 20

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Forwg. Despatch from the Secy. of State forwarding Copy of the Report of the Dy. Assayer of the Royal Mint on the Dy & Coins of the several Indian Mints for 1869. and directg. the publication of the Des. & Ills. enclosed in the Fort St. George Gazette.