

Council has ordered trial plates to be made and sent to London and Edinburgh.

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An Order of her Majesty or Council desires that six new standard trial pieces of gold & six of silver be made & delivered according to her Majesties direction, viz^t One of each metal to be kept in the Treasury by the Deputy Chamberlins of the Exchequer to try the moneys of gold & silver from time to time coyned in both Mints in fineness thereby, one of each metal to be delivered to the Warden of her Majestys Mint in the Tower of London to try the moneys of gold & silver from time to time coyned in the said Mint in fineness thereby, as also to try the Gold & Silver Bullion brought thither if any difference shall happen to arise between the Master & Worker & the bringers in of the same. The like to the said Master & Worker to make the said moneys in fineness thereby. The like to the Wardens of the Company of goldsmiths within the City of London in Goldsmiths Hall for the Trial of their plate & other works as well of gold as of silver in fineness thereby. The like (if it be thought fit) to the General & Warden of her Majestys Mint at Edinborough to try the moneys of gold & silver from time to time coyned in the said Mint in fineness thereby as also to try the gold & silver Bullion brought thither if any difference shall arise between the Master of the said Mint & the bringers in of the same. And The like to the said General & Master of the said Mitn at Edinborough to make the said moneys in fineness thereby.

The Lord Chancellour to summon the Iury & the Lord Treasurer to defray the Charges.

An Order of her Majesty or Council desired that the Warden of her Majestys Mint in the Tower do forthwith make or cause to be made two Piles of Troy weight of great Britain in the most perfect & exact manner that by his endeavours can be done [‡] < insertion from lower down f 277r > [‡] & that the greater & smaller weights of the said two Piles be made & framed proportionable thereunto. < text from higher up f 277r resumes > & that after the said two Piles be so made & brought to the Tower of London, they shall be there examined & stamped with{e} the Date & printed with a Rose & Thistle standing upon one common stalk, & crowned with one common crown in the presence of the Officers of her Majestys Mint within the said Tower And that after the same be so examined dated & printed the said Warden shal deliver one of the said Piles to the Order of the Lord High Treasurer, to be carried to Edinborough & to remain with their Majestys Officers within her Majestys Mint at Edinborough, to the end that other weight of Troy may be there made conformable unto them, & the other of the said Piles shal remain with the Warden or Wardens for the time being within the said Tower of London.

Her Majesty or Council may order
