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Proposals for preserving & encreasing the coyn of this Kingdom.

All gold & silver designed for exportation shall be first examined & entred in the Mint, & upon the arrival of any ship the gold & silver {s}

† of two millions & an half M^r P. replys that his assertion as to those 3 millions was grounded upon informations taken from men that were Apprentices or Servants to Goldsmiths & Refiners they owning that after the year 1670 they found above $\frac{1}{3}$ of the old coyn fitter for their purpose then the new milled money. I answer that they that culled for melting culled also for clipping the clippings being as fit for melting as the weighty money & that they might frequently find a third part of the hammered money fit for both these purposes together & more fit then the milled money was that being unfit for the clippers trade. But if the men above mentioned affirmed that about the year 1676 or soon after they found one third part of the hammered money weightier then the milled money was & on that account fitter to be culled for melting: there must be some mistake in the testimony.
