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It is to be performed by a sworn Assayer or Iury of Assayers before her Majesty or such of Her Councel as he Majesty or Council shall appoint, & in the presence of the Warde{n} Master & Comptroller of the Mint.

It is to be performed in the presence of the Warden Master & Comptroller of the Mint by a sworn Assayer or Iury of Assayers & befor her Majesty or such of Her Council as her Majesty or Council shall appoint.

The Pix is to be opened before her Majesty or such of Her Council as her Majesty or Council shall appoint & the moneys therein are to be tried by sworn Assayers in the presence of the Warden Master & Comptroller

The moneys are tried before delivery by the Queens Assaymaster in

The great consequence of coining the money of a just value the same being the measure of commerce & trade.

The great care that has be taken by this solemn trial to have it coined of a just {value} & the great penalty upon coining it arises.

The just value depends upon the just quantity of fine gold & fine silver in the single pieces. And this quantity is measurd by the weight & fineness thereof, there being eleven ounces of fine gold & an ounce of **{illeg}** in $44\frac{1}{2}$ Guineas & 11 ounces 2^{dw^t} of fine silver & 18^{dw^t} of **{allay}** in 62 shillings. The

For preserving the division of Egypt into equal portions this king wrote a book of the Elements of surveying which gave a beginning to Geometry. And after the example of the two Pyramids which he built

adeol Kk × FK seu area FKkf, uT PK × FK / et erit FK æqualis TK et Kk erit ad PK ut Pp ad Fp

A necessitate Metaphysica nulla oritur rerum variatio. Tola illa quau in **{illeg}** mundo conspicimus, diversias rerium a sola Entis necessario existeridis voluntate libera oriri poluit.

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The moneys are twice tried before the Officers of the Mint, once before delivery

My Lord

I humbly put your Lordship in mind of {procuring} her Majestys disposal of the Assaymasters place. By an Act of Parliament made in the 2^d year of Hen. VI, the Assaymaster is to be an indifferent person between the Master of the Mint & the Merchant & to attend weekly at the Mint for determining Questions which may arise between them about the valuation of the merchants bullion. M^r Brattle is approvd by both parties concerned & hath now acted some months between them without any complaint on either side & forborn to recommend himself by any other interest. The other competitors have endeavoured by other interests to make themselves arbitrators between the two parties concerned without the consent of either party. The encouragement of the coinage & credit of the Mint depends very much upon the satisfactory & quiet execution of this Office & there

The moneys are twice tried, first by the Queens Assaymaster, then by a Iury of Assayers, both times in the presence of the Warden Master & Comptroller, the last time before the Queen & Council, & both trials are setled by the Indentur{e} made between the Crown & the Master of the Mint