

TABLE NO. III.

Result of experiments made in the London Mint,* 23d July, 1833, on Wear of British Gold and Silver Coins of 1817, 1821, 1825 and 1829, shewing the percentage Loss by Circulation. Also a Statement of charge of Coinage.

Denomination of coin tried, and its date.				Rate per cent. of Loss.			Charge of Coinage per cent.		
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
GOLD.	Sovereigns,	1817	0	8	10	0	14	3·749	
		1821	0	9	1				
		1825	0	6	8				
		1829	0	2	5½				
	Half do	1817	0	16	4	0	16	10·247	
		1821	0	13	10				
		1825	0	13	6¼				
		1829	0	6	2				
SILVER,	Half-Crowns	1817	2	7	7	2	4	9·87	
		1821	1	13	0				
		1825	0	16	11				
		1829	0	1	9				
	Shillings,	1817	4	19	0	2	16	9·818	
		1821	2	18	5				
		1825	2	1	6				
		1829	0	8	11				
	Sixpences,	1817	5	11	11	3	5	7·878	
		1821	4	1	5				
		1825	3	3	4				
		1829	1	8	7				

* A Committee of the Senate of the United States, in 1830, reported as follows on the wear of their coin in fifty years of ordinary use:

“ The Eagle loses about . . . 1 per cent.
 Half-Eagle do . . . 2 „
 Quarter do do . . . 3 „
 The Dollar do . . . 1 „
 Half-Dollar do . . . 2 „
 Quarter do do . . . 3½ „