

Valuation of Foreign Coins.

Attorney-General Williams has recently rendered a decision which is of importance as bearing upon a question which grew out of the Act of March 3d, 1873, to establish the value of foreign coins, and which has been referred to him by the Treasury Department. The law referred to declares in the first section that the value of these coins, as expressed in the money of the United States, shall be that of the pure metal of standard value of such coin, and requires the Director of the Mint to estimate each year the value of such standard coins, and directs the Secretary of the Treasury to announce those values on January 1st of every year. From time to time Congress has fixed the value for Custom-house purposes of such foreign coins, and according to those values, invoices at the Custom-house have been transmitted into United States money as a basis for assessing percentage of duty. The values estimated by the Director of the Mint differed in many instances very largely from these valuations thus established by Congress, and the enquiry was whether the law of 1873 authorized the Secretary of the Treasury to disregard the previous values, as fixed by Congress. As the matter has thus received the consideration and decision of the Attorney-General, it must be regarded as settled that the valuations of the Director of the Mint will govern all the Custom-houses in the country. The second section of the Act arbitrarily decided that the value, in American money, of the British sovereign was \$4 86 and 6/10 mills for all purposes, and declared that all contracts based on an assumed par of exchange with Great Britain at the rate of \$4 49 4/9 should be null and void. The decision of the Attorney-General is somewhat lengthy, but he comes to the conclusion that the Director of the Mint is the proper person to fix the values of coins in all cases except the one above noted—English sovereigns—which the law fixes at a uniform value, in Custom-houses, of \$4 86 and 6/10 mills. There is no doubt that Congress can, for Custom-house or other purposes, declare what shall be the value of foreign coins, but it is certainly new for that body to make a fixed and unvarying measure for bankers of the par of exchange.

A desperate encounter took place on Monday night at the St. Nicholas building, Marysville, between George Everett, hackman, and Samuel P. Everett, a well-known actor. The origin of the difficulty was a woman of questionable character and too much whisky. G. Everett is held for assault to murder in shooting S. Everett, and he also suffers from a bruised head, which came in contact with a water-pitcher in the hands of S. Everett. The parties are not related.

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