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GOLD AGAIN!

FRANCE MINTS LOO-FRANC COINS.

Pecture:-

I don't know whether any--

--of you will ever change a gold sovereign, or quid again. But France is starting --

- -- to make real gold 100-franc pieces, and--
- -- this is how it is done. The old--
- -- gold is melted down in furnaces. The most--
- --interesting part to you, of course, would be--
- --how to obtain the gold in the first place. But that's a riddle to which I have no answer. Anyway, --
- -- the old gold is melted down into liquid gold, --
- -- cooled down into bar gold, and from this metal, blank--
- -- dises are struck. If the sight of all this--
- --money makes anyone feel faint, the Manager will be--
- -- only too pleased to--
- -- loan his smelling salts. He first thought --
- -- this was a picture of his--
- --entertainment tax remittance. The blanks are now -
- -- stamped with heads and tails. Otherwise, they would be--
- --useless for tossing purposes. We now see the Minister of--
 - -- Finance preparing to stamp a--
- --coin, and there it is ! Well, it's nice to get a look --
- --at them, and I expect that's --
- -- about as much as most people will get.