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The accounts are very voluminous, and cover the transactions of five generations of the house from father to son.

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PEN PICTURE OF COBALT.

It looks like a place that was only started yesterday, says Mr. Hamilton Fyfe in the London Daily Mail. Upon the permanence of the vein hangs the question whether it shall grow into a big town or whether the hillside, now a busy human ant-hill, shall in a few years be deserted again, and the wooden buildings left to rot in silent loneliness. Whatever happens, Cobalt will always be an interesting memory by reason of certain peculiarities which mark it off from all other mining camps.

There is no Bret Harte element about it—no Cousin Jacks in red shirts, no promiscuous revolver-shooting, no lawlessness, very little gambling, and, strangest of all, no drink. I never thought to see a teetotal mining camp, but that is what Cobalt professes to be. The hotel provides no stronger stimulant than ginger-ale.

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