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our expreshe question were asked mine was obstructed; how was it obstructed? What I observed was a full in from Duffvs slope; I observed no further obstructions. Will you give your reasons for declining to answer the following question asked you on your cross-examination ? "When you first visited the mine did you explore the whole of it ?" [Mr. Milner objects to the question as improper to be put.] From personal considerations connected with that visit. When to several questions put to you on the crossexamination, you answered "I decline to answer," do you mean to convey the idea that you have personal knowledge of the subjects asked, and chose to withhold the information ? [Mr. Milner objects to the question as being improper to be put.] I do not mean to convey that idea. Do you know of any coal being found in the granite? In parts of the Richmond coal field the coal lies directly on granite. You have been asked if you know whether coal seams generally preserve a uniform thickness. Do you know of any coal beds which are thicker in some parts than in others, and which thin and run out? Not from my own knowledge, but such beds are described. [Mr. Milner objects to the relevancy of the answer, except in so far as the witnesses knowledge is derived from personal observations.]

(Signed)

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