

It is found most commonly massive, seldom in rolled pieces, and in large balls, and very seldom with pyramidal impressions of calc-spar.

Fracture splintery, generally fine splintery, and often with a slight inclination to conchoidal.

Internally its lustre is dull; it is glimmering when it approaches to the nature of quartz.

Fragments indeterminately angular, more or less sharp edged.

It is almost always unseparated; the globular occurs in concentric lamellar distinct concretions.

It is more or less translucent on the edges, and sometimes it is in a slight degree translucent.

Hard.

Brittle.

Very difficultly frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Infusible without addition before the blow pipe. Some mineralogists assert that it is easily fusible without addition; but their experiments appear to have been made with compact felspar, which to an unexperienced eye might be mistaken for hornstone.

*Geognostic*

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