

SIXTH SPECIES.

Pumice,

Bimstein.—Werner.

External Characters.

Its colour is light yellowish grey, and smoke grey ; sometimes verging on dark greyish white, and light ash grey.

It is small and lengthened vesicular.

The lustre of its principal fracture is glistening, passing to shining, and is pearly ; the cross fracture is shining and vitreous.

Its principal fracture is parallelly curved fibrous ; the cross fracture uneven and imperfectly conchooidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt edged and splintery.

Generally translucent on the edges.

Soft and very soft, sometimes approaching to semi-hard.

Completely brittle.

Pretty easily frangible.

Is swimming.

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