

Observations.

1. It bears a strong resemblance to bituminous wood, and probably passes into it. May it not be considered as a subspecies of bituminous wood?

2. We must be careful not to confound it with alum stone or alum slate, from which it differs very much.

SIXTEENTH SPECIES.

Alum Slate.

Alaunschiefer.—*Werner.*

Werner divides this species into two subspecies

1. Common alum slate. 2. Glossy alum slate.