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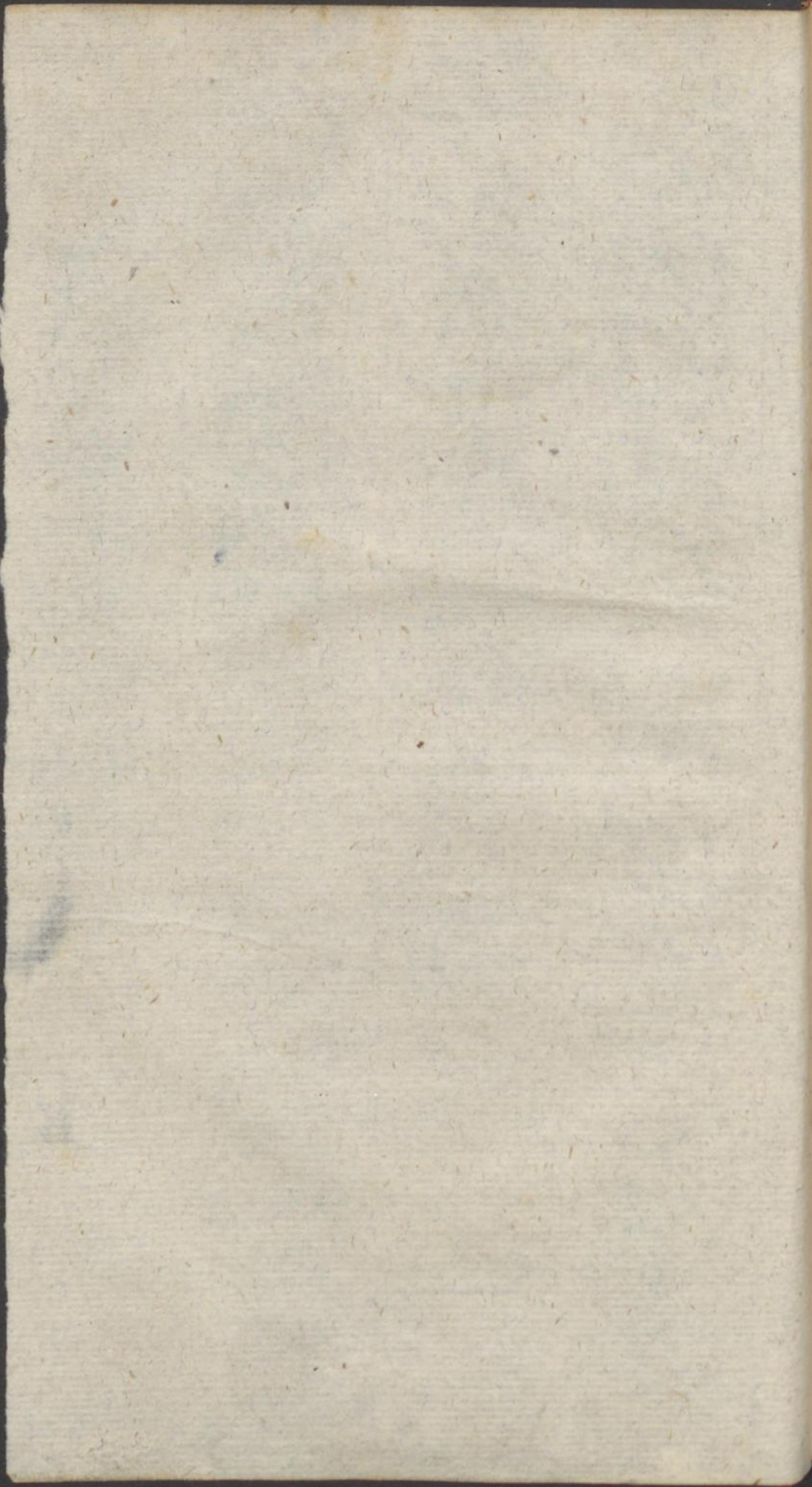
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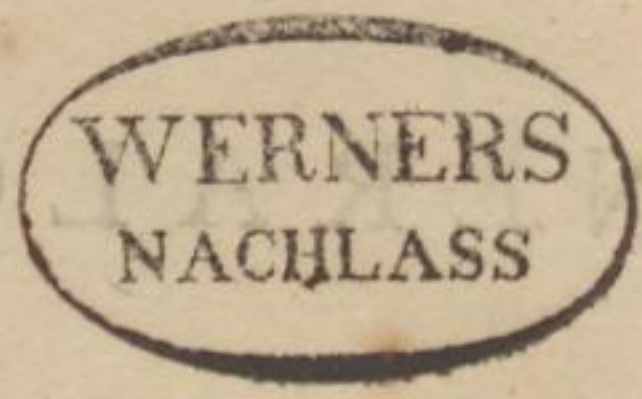
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# MINERAL SYSTEM.

## CLASS II.

### FOSSIL SALTS.

THE saline substances included under this class, are those only which are found in a natural state: the numerous artificial salts detailed in some systems of mineralogy, are consequently excluded. The greater number of these natural salts appear to be formed by the agency of air, water, &c. and are therefore more properly atmospheric than terrestrial products. Natural rock salt is perhaps the only exception, it being found in the interior of the earth.

The characters by which the substances of this class are distinguished from those of the other classes, are principally their *taste* and *easy solubility*.

The different species resemble each other so much in many characters, that Werner, to avoid unnecessary repetition in description, uses the term *Saline Consistence* to express all those characters which have a reference to hardness, tenacity, and frangibility. Thus, all saline fossils are soft, and very soft; often even friable, brittle, and easily frangible; and these characters are termed *Saline Consistence*.



FOSSIL SALTS.

FIRST SPECIES.

Natural Soda, or Natron.

Natürliches Mineral Alkali.—*Werner.*

This species may be divided into two subspecies :

1. Common Natron. 2. Radiated Natron.

FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Common Natron.

Gemeines Natron.

Alkali minerale natron, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 61.—Alkali fixe mineral, *Rom. d. L.* t. 1. p. 146.—Natürliches mineral alkali, *Wid.* f. 579.—Natron, *Kirw.* v. 2. p. 6. *Id. Estner*, b. 3. f. 18.—Nat. min. alkali, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 31.—Carbonate de Natron. *Lam.* t. 1. p. 462.—Soude carbonatée, *Hauy*, t. 2. p. 373. 379.—L'alkali mineral, ou le carbonate de soude, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 30.—Natron, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 4\*.

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish or greyish white.

Occurs in fine flakes, or in dusty particles, and is usually loose.

It has a sharp alkaline taste.

*Chemical Characters.*

It effervesces with nitric acid. Is easily soluble in water, and its solution colours blue vegetable

\* *Reufs*, Lehrbuch der Mineralogie nach des Herrn O. B. R. *Karsten* Mineralogischen Tabellen, 3 Bände.



getable tinctures green. It is very fusible before the blow-pipe.

*Constituent Parts.*

Egyptian Natron.		Bohemian Natron.	
Dry carbonat of foda,	32.6	Carbonat of foda,	89.18
Dry sulphat of foda,	20.8	Carbonat of lime,	7.44
Dry muriat of foda,	15.0	Carbonat of magnesia,	1.35
Water,	31.6	Extractive matter,	2.03
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	100.0		100.0
<i>Klaproth, Beiträge, b. 3. f. 80,</i>		<i>Reufs, Min. b. 3.</i>	

Natron of Hungary.

Carbonat of foda,	14.2
Muriat of foda,	22.4
Sulphat of foda,	9.2
Earthy residuum,	9.2
Water,	45.0
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According to <i>Lampadius,</i>	100.0

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs either as an efflorescence on the surface of soil, or on decomposing rocks of particular kinds, or on the sides and bottoms of lakes, that become dry during the summer season. In Hungary, according to Ruckert and Pazmand, there are so many natron lakes, that 50,000 quintals of foda could be obtained from them annually. In some places of the same country, it effloresces on the



the surface of the foil, heath, &c. According to Dr Reufs, it is observed efflorescing on meadows near Priesen and Sebnitz in Bohemia, and on decomposing gneiss in the vicinity of Bilin, where it is renewed every spring. About twenty leagues north-east of Grand Cairo, in Egypt, there is a limestone valley, in which there are several extensive natron lakes, which become dry during the summer season, and leave their sides and bottoms covered with a great quantity of soda or natron.

*Geographic Situation.*

In *Europe*, it occurs in Bohemia, at Bilin, Carlsbad and Eger; in Hungary, in the neighbourhood of Debrezin, district of Bahar, &c.; in Switzerland, at Schwartzberg, in the canton of Berne; in Italy, in the Phlagrean Fields, Monte Nuovo, near Naples, and Mount *Ætna* in Sicily.

In *Africa*, it occurs in Egypt at the city of Nitria, the valley of the Natron Lakes, Nubia, and the island of Teneriffe.

In *Asia*, in Bengal, Sina in the neighbourhood of Pekin, in Thibetian Tartary, Persia, Natolia, district of Ochotsk, in the government of Irkutsk, in the neighbourhood of Nertchinsk in Siberia, and in Bolowoi-osero in the Tauride.

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## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Radiated Natron, or Natural Soda.

Strahliches Natron.—*Klaproth*.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish, and yellowish white.

Occurs in crusts, and crystallized in capillary or acicular crystals, which are aggregated on one another, or in radia.

Is glistening, and

Translucent.

*Constituent Parts.*

Water of crystallization,	22.50
Carbonic acid,	38.0
Pure soda,	37.0
Sulphat of soda,	2.50
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	100.0

*Klaproth*, Beit. b. 3. f. 83.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Mr Bagge, Swedish consul at Tripoli, has given the following information respecting this interesting sub-species of natron. "The native country of this natron, which is there called *Trona*, is the province *Sukena*, two days journey from Fezzan. It is found at the bottom of a rocky mountain, forming crusts, usually the thickness of a knife, and



and sometimes, although rarely, of an inch, on the surface of the earth. It is always crystalline; in the fracture, it consists of cohering, longish, parallel, frequently radiated crystals, having the aspect of unburnt gyps. Besides the great quantity of trona, which is carried to the country of the negroes and to Egypt, fifty tons are annually carried to Tripoli. It is not adulterated with salt. The salt-mines are situated on the seashore; but the trona occurs twenty-eight days journey up the country\*." According to the accounts of Mr Barrow, it would appear also to occur in the district of Tarka in Boshieinan's Land, in Southern Africa.

*Uses—of Natron.*

It is principally employed in the manufacture of glass, in the manufacture of soap, and for the washing of linen. It is sometimes purified before it is used, but more frequently (particularly that from Egypt) it is used in its natural state. In Hungary, particularly at Debrezin, it is used in great quantity in the manufacture of soap: it has been also employed in considerable quantity in Scotland and England. In Siberia a fine white glass is manufactured with it: in the Levant the natron of Suckena is mixed with tobacco, in order to give it a sharper taste. The ancient Egyptians

\* Schriften der Schwed. Acad. d. wo. bd. 35.



tians are said to have macerated dead bodies in it for several months previous to preparing them as mummies. It is sometimes also purified for the alkali it contains, and is then used as a flux, &c.

*Observations.*

1. Klaproth restored to this species the old name *Natron*, a word said to be derived from the name of the town Nitria in Upper Egypt, where, as already mentioned, it occurs in considerable quantity.

2. The term *Natural Mineral Alkali* may also be used; for the common objection to this name, that mineral alkali is found in animal and vegetable substances, does not render it the less proper; because the name only implies, that this alkali occurs in great quantity in the mineral kingdom, not that it is peculiar to it.

SECOND SPECIES.

Natural Nitre.

Natürlicher Salpeter.—*Werner,*

Nitrum terra mineralifatum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 45.—Nitrate de Potasse, *De Barn,* t. 2. p. 57.—Natürlicher Salpeter, *Wid.* f. 602.—Nitre, *Kirw.* vol. 2. p. 25.—Natürlicher Salpeter, *Efner,* b. 3. f. f. 55.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 16.—Nitrate de Potasse, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 468.—Potasse Nitratée, *Hauy,* t. 2. p. 346. 355.—Le Nitre natif, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 17.—Salpeter, *Reuss,* b. 3. f. 21.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour greyish and yellowish white, sometimes approaching to snow white.

Is flaky; sometimes verges on solid and massive, and then it shews an imperfect foliated fracture, and granular distinct concretions.

Saline consistence.

Taste saltly cooling.

*Chemical Characters.*

Placed on red hot iron or burning coals, it hisses and detonates.

*Constituent Parts.*

The Natural Nitre of Molfetta according to Klaproth :

Nitrat of potass,	44.55
Sulphat of lime,	25.45
Carbonat of lime,	30.40
Muriat of potass,	0.20
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	100.60

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is usually found in thin crusts on the surface of soil, and sometimes also covering the surface of compact limestone, and calc-tuff. " In India, Spain, and, according to others, in Persia and China, it germinates in certain seasons out of the earth ;



earth; and, what is most singular, this earth accumulated in heaps, and thus exposing a larger surface to the atmosphere, is found to reproduce it annually\*." Even in the hottest countries of Asia and Peru, it forms efflorescences on the soil. It is also found in various parts of Europe. The Duke de Rochefoucault discovered it in France, in limestone caves: it is found in the county of Bamberg in a species of limestone marl; and at Homberg near Wurzburg, it is found incrusting calc tuff. One of the most remarkable repositories of natural nitre is that which was discovered by the Abbé Fortis, near Molfetta, in the kingdom of Naples. It there occurs incrusting a yellowish-grey coloured compact limestone. It is never found in beds with the limestone, as mentioned by several mineralogists, but always on its surface.

*Uses.*

In Hungary, Spain, Molfetta, Peru and the East Indies, considerable quantities of natural nitre are collected; but the greatest proportion of that used in commerce, is obtained by working artificial nitre beds. These consist of the refuse of animal and vegetable bodies undergoing putrefaction, mixed with calcareous and other earth. Its principal use is in the fabrication of gunpowder: it is also used in medicine, and many of the arts.

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\* Kirwan, Mineralogy, vol. ii. p. 25, 26.



## THIRD SPECIES.

Natural Rockfalt.

Natürliches Kochfalz.—*Werner*.

This species is, by *Werner*, divided into two subspecies, 1. Rock or Stone Salt; 2. Lake Salt.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Rock or Stone Salt.

Steinfalz.—*Werner*.

This subspecies is subdivided into two kinds;  
a. Foliated Rockfalt. b. Fibrous Rockfalt.

## a. Foliated Rockfalt.

Blättriches Steinfalz.—*Werner*.

*Muria fossilis pura*; *Sal gemmæ*, *Wall.* t. p. 53.—*Sel marin* et *Sel gemme*, *Rom. d. L.* t. i. p. 374.—*Blättriches Steinfalz*, *Wern. Pabst.* b. i. f. 361.—*Lamellar Sal Gem*, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 32.—*Blättriches Steinfalz*, *Efner*, b. 3. f. 63.—*Id. Emm.* b. i. f. 19.—*Soude muriatée cristallifé*, et *Soude muriatée amorphe*, *Haüy*, t. 2. p. 356, 365.—*Le Sel Gem lamelleux*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 21.—*Blättriches Steinfalz*, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 30.

External



*External Characters.*

Its most common colours are white and grey. Of white it occurs greyish, yellowish and milk-white, but it seldom approaches to snow-white. Of grey, ash, smoke, and pearl grey. From pearl grey it passes, though rarely, into flesh, blood and brick red. Still seldomer do we observe the white varieties marked with Berlin, azure or violet blue spots or patches.

It is said also to occur ochre and wine yellow.

Occurs massive, sometimes disseminated, and also crystallized in cubes.

On the fresh fracture, it is splendent, and its lustre is resinous, inclining to vitreous.

Fracture straight foliated; complete threefold rectangular cleavage.

Fragments cubic.

It presents large, coarse, and small granular distinct concretions.

In general, it is strongly translucent, sometimes semitransparent and transparent.

Alternates between soft and semihard.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.143.

Feels almost greasy.

b. Fibrous



## b. Fibrous Rocksalt.

Fafriges Steinfalz.—*Werner*.

Fafriges Steinfalz, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 2. f. 363.—Fibrous Sal Gem, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 25.—Fafriges Steinfalz, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 71.—*Id Emm.* b. 2. f. 23.—Le Sel Gem fibreuse, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 25.—Soude muriatée fibreuse, *Haüy*, t. 2. p. 356, 365.—Fafriges Steinfalz, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 27.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish, yellowish and snow-white; seldom marked with stripes of ash-grey, Berlin and violet-blue.

Occurs massive.

Internally, it is from shining to glistning, and its lustre is pearly.

Fracture parallel, sometimes delicate, sometimes coarse, and usually curved, fibrous.

Fragments splintery.

It is strongly translucent, verging on semitransparent.

In other characters it resembles the preceding kind.

*Chemical characters.*

Decrepitates briskly when exposed to the action of the blow-pipe, or when laid on burning coals.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Pure muriat of soda contains

Soda,	42	35
Muriatic acid,	52	40
Water,	6	25

—	—
Bergman,	Kirwan,
100	100

*Geognostic Situation.*

According to Werner, rock or stone salt occurs in beds, and these beds are usually short and very thick, forming what he terms *liegende Stöcke*, lying masses. It is accompanied by a species of clay, which is intermediate between common and indurated clay, much impregnated with salt, and often contains immense masses of it. It has also as accompanying rocks, stinkstone, gyps, limestone, and sandstone. It appears to lie over the first or oldest floetz gyps formation, consequently must be covered by the second sandstone formation. According to Werner, it occurs also in veins at Aehlen, in the canton of Berne\*. It is said also to form whole hills, as at Cordova, sixteen leagues from Barcelona in Spain, where, according to Bowles, there is a hill between four and five hundred feet high entirely composed of it.

*Geographic*

\* Werner's Gänge, f. 79.



*Geographic Situation.*

In the north of Germany, rocks of the salt formation and salt springs occur,—an evidence of the existence of salt beds, as all salt springs issue from salt beds or rocks richly impregnated with salt; but no salt beds appear at the surface until we come to the Circle of Austria and the neighbouring countries. The range of salt beds commences at Hall in the Tirol\*, passes through Reichenthal in Bavaria, continues to Hallein in Salzburg, Hallstadt, Ischel, and Ebensee in Austria, and terminates at Aulse in Stiria. The further continuation of the salt deposition is found at a considerable distance, that is, in Hungary at Marmoros, Rhona, Szek, and Speries: then again in the great inclosed circular valley of Transilvania; from thence it extends through Wallachia, Moldavia, Buckovina, Gallicia, to Upper Silesia.

The salt repository of Marmoros is well known. In Transilvania, which is a vast circular valley, having its bottom covered with salt, there are many extensive salt-works: in Moldavia there are also numerous salt-mines; and what is worthy of  
remark,

\* At Sulzbach, on the Necker, in Swabia, there is a great bed of clay richly impregnated with salt, and sometimes even containing great masses of it. This appears to be the furthest limit of the salt beds on that side of Germany.



remark, the rocksalt itself there forms hills. The salt-mines of Viliška are situated about two leagues south-east of Cracau in West Gallicia, and about nine miles to the north-east of the Carpathian Mountains. They have been worked since the year 1251, and their depth and extent is very great; by some said to be 900 feet, and having an extent of more than a league from east to west. According to Abbé Estner, the salt of Hungary, Transilvania, and West Gallicia, occurs only of a grey colour. The party-coloured is found principally in Upper Austria, Salzburg, Stiria, and the Tyrol. The beautiful blue foliated variety was formerly found at Ischel in Upper Austria; and the very rare green variety is at present found at Berchtesgaden and Hallein in Salzburg, where the fibrous blue variety which occurs in the Tirol is also found.

There are besides immense deposits of salt in Old and New Castile in Spain, also great quantity in Cheshire in England\*. In France there are salt-springs, but no salt-beds have hitherto been discovered.

Besides the great depositions of this mineral found in *Europe*, it is also very extensively distributed in the other quarters of the globe. In the  
northern

\* According to Professor Playfair, the salt of Cheshire occurs sometimes in spherical distinct concretions; and Professor Pictet of Geneva observed it in columnar distinct concretions.



northern part of *Africa*, on both sides of the Atlas Mountains, vast quantities of rocksalt occur. Mr Horneman, on his journey from Cairo to Umme-fogeir, discovered a plain on the summit of the chain of limestone mountains that bound the Desert of Lybia to the north, consisting of a mass of rocksalt spread over so large a tract of surface, that in one direction no eye could reach its termination, and its width he computed at several miles.

In *Asia*, as at Teflis and Tauris in Persia, according to Chardin, there are great masses of rocksalt; also in the neighbourhood of Schmachie and Baku, and other places of Schirvan\*. In the Desert of Caramania, rocksalt is so abundant, and the atmosphere so dry, that the inhabitants use it for building their houses †. It is found also near Herfk in Siberia, in China, in Caschmere; and in the province of Lahor in Hindostan there is a hill of rocksalt equal to that of Cordova: the salt of this hill is cut into dishes, plates, and stands for lamps ‡.

In *South America*, according to Ulloa and Abbé Guiseppe Jolis Faenza, it is found in vast quantity on the elevated Desarts of Peru, where it is very hard. In the interior of North America,

\* G. Gmelin's *Russische Reise*, iii. 43. seq.

† Chardin, iv. 65.

‡ Pennant's *Outlines of the Globe*, vol. i. p. 42. &c.



ca, it is found in considerable quantity: great masses of it have been found at the junction of the stream of Atha-pus-caou, with the Atha-pus-caou Lake; and at the head of the Mississippi there are salt springs.

According to Governor Hunter, it is found in considerable quantity in New Holland.

### Uses.

Its uses are very various and important. We employ it daily as a seasoning for our food: vast quantities are employed for the preservation of animal flesh, butter, &c.; it is also used as a manure, in the manufacture of earthen-ware, soap-making, and in many metallurgic operations. It affords muriatic acid and soda, by certain chemical processes. It is sometimes employed in its crude state, but is more commonly purified.

### SECOND SUBSPECIES

#### Lakesalt.

Seesalz.—*Werner*.

Seesalz.—*Reufs*, b. 3. f. 36.

#### External Characters.

Colour white.

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It occurs either in thin plates, which are formed on the surface of salt-lakes, or inland seas, or in grains on their bottoms.

It is translucent, and, like the former, of saline consistence.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found on the bottoms and sides of salt-lakes.

It is collected in the islands of Cyprus and Milo, in the Mediterranean sea. Nearly the half of the peninsula of the Tauride is filled with salt-lakes, which afford a great quantity of lake-salt; and quantities are collected in the neighbourhood of the Caspian.

In *Africa*, at Manzelach near Alexandria, there are two salt-lakes, which afford a great quantity of fine white salt. The bottom of the salt-lakes in the land of the Hottentots and the Caffres, is so compactly covered with salt, that it appears like ice, and the grains or distinct concretions adhere so closely together, that the mass is as hard as many stones. Many extensive kingdoms are supplied with salt from the Lake of Dombu, which is situated in the great Desert of Bilma, in the kingdom of Bornu.

FOURTH



## FOURTH SPECIES.

## Natural Sal Ammoniac.

Natürlicher Salmiack.—*Werner*.

Sal Ammoniacum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 77.—Sel Ammoniac, *Rom. de L.* t. 1. p. 382. *Id. Born.* t. 2. p. 54.—Natürlicher Salmiack, *Wid.* p. 610.—Sal Ammoniac, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 33.—Natürlicher Salmiack, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 78. *Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 24.—Muriate d'Ammoniac, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 473.—Le Sel ammoniacque, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 27.—Ammoniacque muriatée, *Hauy*, t. 2. p. 380. 386.—Salmiack, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 38.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish-white, and yellowish-white, which often falls into yellow.

It is flaky, and of saline consistence.

Taste urinous.

To the above description, which is that of *Werner*, the *Abbé Estner* adds, that it occurs massive, stalactitic, tuberose, small botryoidal, corroded, and also crystallized; 1. Cube, with more or less deeply truncated edges and angles. 2. Complete rhomboid. 3. Rectangular four-sided prism, acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral edges. 4. Garnet dodecaedron, sometimes also truncated on all the edges\*.

## Crystals

\* *Mr Klaproth* mentions its occurring in oblique four-sided prisms.



Crystals are small and very small, and adhere or intersect one another.

Lateral planes of the crystals usually smooth.

Externally shining; internally splendid or shining, and lustre vitreous.

Fracture even, or uneven, and sometimes exhibits a tendency to fibrous.

Sometimes occurs in small and fine granular distinct concretions.

The crystallized is semitransparent and transparent.

The flaky crystals possess some degree of flexibility.

Is light.

Taste urinous.

#### *Chemical Character.*

When placed on burning coals, it emits a peculiar odour, and is volatilized in the form of a white smoke: when burned or rubbed with lime, it emits an ammoniacal smell.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

The natural sal ammoniac of Bucharia, according to Klaproth, contains

Muriat of ammonia,	97.50
Sulphat of ammonia,	2.50
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	100.0

*Klaproth, Beit. b. 3. f. 94.*

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It is a product of volcanoes, and pseudo-volcanoes, where it occurs in the different forms already mentioned. It is said also to be found in the waters of different lakes in Tuscany.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in Italy, at Solfatara, Vesuvius, Ætna, the Lipari and Æolian Islands; Tuscany; France; Hecla in Iceland, and in the vicinity of inflamed beds of coal in Scotland and England; in *Asia*, in Thibet, Persia, the Turkestan Mountains in the Calmuck country, Bucharìa, and the Isle of Bourbon.

*Observation.*

The Natural Sal Ammoniac of Bucharìa, according to Karsten, forms a distinct SUBSPECIES, of which he gives the following description, under the name

Muschlicher Salmiack.

Conchoidal Sal Ammoniac.

Colour greyish-white.

Occurs in angular pieces.

Surface uneven.

Externally, glimmering.

Internally, shining, and lustre vitreous.

Fracture



Fracture nearly perfect conchoidal.  
 Fragments indeterminately angular.  
 Semitransparent, and transparent.  
 Is malleable. Soft. Light. Taste stinging, urinous.—*Klaproth*, *Beit.* 3. b. f. 93.

## FIFTH SPECIES.

## Natural Epsom Salt.

Natürliches Bitterfalz.—*Werner*.

Sal neutrum acidulare, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 71.—Sel d'Epsom, Sel de Sedlitz, Sel d'Angleterre, Vitriol de Magnesia, *Romé de L.* t. 1. p. 306.—Natürliches Bitterfalz, *Wid.* p. 595.—Epsom Salt, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 12.—Natürliches Bitterfalz, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 44. *Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 14.—Le Sel amere natif, ou Sel d'Epsom natif, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 11.—Magnesie sulphatée, *Hauy*, t. 2. p. 331. 336.—Bitterfalz, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 53.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish-white.  
 Occurs in capillary efflorescences, and is sometimes mealy, sometimes flaky.  
 Saline consistence.  
 Taste saltly bitter.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

The constituent parts of the purified Epsom salt, the sulphat of magnesia of the chemists, is, according to

<i>Bergman,</i>	and	<i>Kirwan.</i>
Sulphuric acid,	33	29.46
Magnesia,	19	17.0
Water of crystallization,	48	53.54
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	100	105.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it dissolves very easily by the assistance of its water of crystallization, but it is difficultly fusible. Its solution gives a precipitate with lime-water.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs as an efflorescence on clayey stones, as common clay, slate clay, clay-slate, grey wacke, and porphyry slate; at Jena, it occurs in gyps rocks; at Witschiz in Bohemia, on half-burnt clay; on porphyry slate at the village of Kaitz; at Stiahlaw on clay slate; and at Solfatara on decomposing lava. In the mines at Clausthal in the Hartz, it occurs in considerable quantity; at Gran in Hungary, it effloresces on sandstone, clay, and compact limestone. It is also contained in many mineral

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mineral springs, particularly in those of Epsom, and it often effloresces on old walls.

*Uses.*

When purified, it is used as a purgative medicine, and it is valued by chemists on account of the magnesia which can be obtained from it.

SIXTH SPECIES.

Natural Glauber Salt.

Natürliches Glaubersalz.—*Werner.*

Sal mirabile, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 70.—Sel de Glauber, *Rom. d. L.* t. 1. p. 301. *Id. Born.* t. 2. p. 26.—Natürliches Wundersalz, *Wid.* f. 597.—Glauber Salt, *Kirw.* vol. 2. p. 9.—Natürliches Glaubersalz, *Estner*, 3 b. f. 50. *Id. Emm.* 3 b. f. 401.—Le Sel de Glauber natif, *Broch.* t. 2, p. 14.—Glaubersalz, *Reufs*, 3 b. f. 49.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish and yellowish white; seldom snow or milk white.

Occurs in the form of mealy efflorescences; in crusts, seldom stalactitic, small botryoidal, reniform; and crystallized.

1. In acicular crystals.

2. In



2. In six-sided prisms, more or less flatly acuminated by three planes, which are set on the alternate edges or planes.

The acicular crystals are small, the prisms middle-sized, and so grown together, that they are with difficulty distinguishable.

Internally shining, and lustre vitreous.

Fracture of the crystallized varieties small conchoidal; others fine-grained uneven; the decomposed earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Occurs sometimes in small and fine granular distinct concretions.

Soft, earthy varieties friable.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Has a cooling, and then a saltly bitter taste.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it is affected in the same manner as Epsom salt, but its solution does not give a precipitate with lime-water.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Natural Epsom Salt of Eger, according to *Reufs*, (Chemisch-medicinische Beschreibung des Kaiser Franzens Bades, Dresden, 1794), contains

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Sulphat



Sulphat of foda,	67.024
Carbonat of foda,	16.333
Muriat of foda,	11.000
Carbonat of lime,	5.643
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	100.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs on the borders of salt-lakes, in efflorescences on muirish ground, sandstone, marl-flate, and on old and newly-built walls.

*Geographic Situation.*

At Eger in Bohemia, it occurs efflorescent on meadow ground; in old salt mines at Aufsee, Ischel and Hallstadt in Upper Austria; at Altenberg in Stiria; at Deretske, Kammerwald, Biha, Pusta, Szent-Iwan, Kalos and Felsobanya, in Hungary; Hildesheim; Durrenberg by Hallein in Salzburg; Schwartzburg in Switzerland; Vaira Madrit by Aranjuez in Spain; Solfatara in Italy.

In *Asia*, it occurs on the banks of many Siberian salt-lakes; neighbourhood of the Lake Baikal, the desert plains of Isfet, Ischim, and Barebyn.

In *Africa*, in Egypt.

*Use.*

It is used as a purgative medicine, and in some countries as a substitute for foda, in the manufacture of white glass.

SEVENTH



## SEVENTH SPECIES.

## Natural Alum.

Natürlicher Alaun.—*Werner.*

Alumen, *Wall.* t. 1. p. 31.—Sulphate d'Alumine, *D. B.* t. 2. p. 32.—Natürlicher Alaun, *Wid.* f. 593.—Alum, *Kirw.* vol. 2. p. 13.—Natürlicher Alaun, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 39. *Id. Emm.* 2 b. f. 9.—L'Alaun natif, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 6.—Alumine fulphatée alkaline, *Haüy*, t. 2. p. 387. 398.—Alaun, *Reufs*, 3 b. f. 58.

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish and greyish white.

Occurs as a mealy efflorescence, or in delicate capillary crystals.

Taste sweetish astringent.

*Chemical Characters.*

It is soluble in from sixteen to twenty times its weight of water. It melts easily by means of its water of crystallization; and by continuance of heat, it is converted into a white spongy mass.

*Constituent Parts.*

## Natural Alum of Freienwald.

Alumina,	15.25
Oxide of iron,	7.50
Potash,	0.25
Sulphuric acid and water of crystallization,	77.0

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 100.0

*Klaproth.*
*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

Near Gottwig, in Austria, it incrusts black coal; at Komothau, in Bohemia, it is efflorescent on alum earth; and at Muhlbach, in the same country, on bituminous wood. It is sometimes observed in the neighbourhood of volcanoes, incrusting lava; but it occurs most frequently, and in greatest quantities, as an efflorescence on alum slate.

*Geographic Situation.*

Many places in the transition mountains in the south of Scotland, also in coal mines near Paisley; in Bohemia, at Komothau, Weitentrebetitsch, and many other black-coal mines in the Saatzer and Leitmeritzer Circles; in Austria, at Gottwig, Thalern, and Krems; Stifitz in Carinthia; the Ironberg in Bavaria; in Italy, in the caves of Segoneio in Sardinia, Stromboli, Solfatara, the Alum Caves at Cap di Miseno, near Naples, and Vesuvius; Island of Milo, in the Hellepontic Archipelago; Arragon in Spain; Sweden; Norway.

*Africa*, in Egypt.

*Uses.*

It is employed as a mordant in dyeing; also in the manufacture of leather; as a medicine; for preserving animal substances from putrefaction, and for preventing wood from catching fire.



## EIGHTH SPECIES.

## Hair Salt.

Haarfalz.—*Werner*.

Haarfalz, *Wid.* f. 590. *Id. Eßner*, 3. b. f. 33. *Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 10.—*Le Sel capillaire*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 8.—*Haarfalz*, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 63.

*External Characters.*

Colour snow, yellowish, greyish, sometimes verging on greenish white, which passes to pale apple green.

Occurs in very delicate capillary crystals, which are sometimes scopiformly aggregated, and sometimes so closely adhering, as to appear compact.

Saline consistence.

Taste, sweetish astringent.

*Constituent Parts.*

From its taste, it is considered to be nearly of the same nature with alum; but Klaproth has analyzed what he considers as hair salt, and which he found to be sulphat of magnesia, mixed with sulphat of iron. It remains to be determined how many of the varieties enumerated in the following list of localities, are to be referred to the true hair salt,

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs often in fissures of black-coal beds in Bohemia; on alum earth at Thalern in Austria; on decomposing iron pyrites in the silver-mines of Kongsberg in Norway. It is found also at Schemnitz, Kremnitz, and Neusohl in Hungary; at Flachau, Mordling, Brenthal, Wolfbachthall, Taxenbach, and Sieglitz in Salzburg; Rammelfberg in the Hartz; near Naples; Whitehaven in England; and near Paisley in Scotland.

*Observations.*

1. It bears a striking resemblance to fibrous gyps; from which, however, it is distinguished by taste, hardness, &c.
2. It appears to be formed principally from decomposing common iron and liver pyrites.

## NINTH SPECIES.

## Rock Butter.

Bergbutter.—*Werner.*

Bergbutter, *Wid.* f. 589. *Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 13.—Le Beuvre de Montagne, ou Le Bergbutter, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 10.—Bergbutter, *Reufs,* 3. b. f. 66.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish white, and straw-yellow.

Occurs



Occurs massive, and tuberose.

Is translucent.

Saline consistence.

Taste partly sweetish astringent; sometimes sour.

Has rather a greasy feel.

*Constituent Parts.*

Appears to have nearly the same constituent parts as alum.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It oozes out of fissures of rocks of alum slate, and, according to Reufs, it is found also on alum-earth.

It is found at Muskau in Upper Lusatia; Saalfeld in Thuringia; Salzburg; oozing out of rocks of alum-slate in the island of Bornholm in Denmark; and, according to Pallas, in similar situations, on the banks of the great river Jenisei in Siberia.

Near Paisley in Scotland.

TENTH SPECIES.

Natural Vitriol.

THIS species is divided into three Subspecies.

1. Iron Vitriol. 2. Copper Vitriol. And, 3. Zinc Vitriol.

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## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Iron Vitriol.

Eisen Vitriol.—*Werner*.*External Characters.*

Colour emerald and verdigris green ; sometimes bordering on sky-blue ; sometimes on grass-green. On the surface, yellowish brown.

Occurs massive, tuberoso, stalactitic and crystallized in

1. Capillary crystals.
2. Imperfect rhombs.
3. Oblique double four-sided pyramids, with dissimilar lateral planes, which therefore terminate in a line.

Is splendid, and lustre vitreous.

Fracture more or less perfect foliated.

Occurs in small and coarse granular distinct concretions.

Saline consistence.

Taste sourish astringent.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs usually along with iron pyrites, by the decomposition of which it is formed.

It is found at Minitz, near Mühlhausen, and Grunlas, near Ellbogen in Bohemia ; in the mines  
of



of Schemnitz and Cremnitz in Hungary; Nagyag in Transilvania; Rammelsberg, near Goslar in the Hartz; Neuricht in the Upper Palatinate; Raschau in Saxony; Salzburg; Vesuvius, Solfatara, the islands Vulcano and Stromboli in Italy; Fahlun in Sweden; and in many of the English mines.

Pic de Teyde in Teneriff; Greenland, in America.

*Use.*

It is employed to dye linen yellow, and wool and silk black; in the preparation of ink, of Berlin blue, for the precipitation of gold from its solution; and sulphuric acid can be obtained from it by distillation. The residuum of the latter process (colcothar of iron), is used as a red paint, and when washed, for polishing steel, glass, &c.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Copper Vitriol.

Kupfer Vitriol.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Its most common colour is dark sky-blue, which sometimes approaches to verdigris green. By exposure to the air it becomes yellow.

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Occurs



Occurs massive, disseminated, stalactitic, dentiform; and crystallized,

1. In capillary crystals.
2. Cubes which are truncated, sometimes on the edges, sometimes on the angles.

Cubes are large and middle sized, and sometimes scalarwise aggregated.

The planes of the crystals are smooth.

Externally and internally shining, and lustre vitreous.

Fracture perfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Translucent.

Soft.

Very brittle.

Easily frangible.

Taste styptic.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

If a plate of iron be inserted in a solution of copper vitriol, it becomes soon incrustated with metallic copper: With ammonia, its solution acquires a blue colour.

#### *Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

At Herngrund, near Neusohl, in Lower Hungary, it occurs in nearly all the preceding common and particular external shapes, accompanied with fahl ore in grey-wacke slate. The cubic variety is found in the Rammelsberg in the Hartz;



Hartz ; it is found also at Spitz in Austria ; Zalathna in Transilvania ; in the Brennthalers Mines, near Muhlbach in Pinzgaw in Salzburg ; in the neighbourhood of Chrusocio in the island of Cyprus ; Fahlun in Sweden ; Siberia ; copper mines, county of Wicklow, in Ireland ; Anglesea in England.

*Use.*

It is used in cotton and linen printing, and the oxide separated from it by painters.

THIRD SUBSPECIES.

Zinc Vitriol.

Zinkvitriol.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish, yellowish, reddish and greenish-white.

Occurs tuberoso, stalactitic and coralloidal.

Translucent.

Saline consistence.

Taste styptic.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found in the Rammelsberg, particularly abundant in places where much blende occurs. It is found also at Spitz, in Austria ; at Schemnitz, in Hungary ; Salzburg ; and Sahlberg in Sweden.

*Observation.*



*Observation.*

At Herrngrund near Newsohl in Hungary, a vitriol of cobalt is found, accompanied with quartz, gyps, copper glance and copper pyrites.

## BORAX.

This substance is not admitted into the mineral system by Werner, because it is still uncertain whether or not it occurs in a solid state. From several creditable reports, it appears to occur in solution in certain lakes; but if this be its only state of aggregation, it can only be an object of attention to the hydrographer, because, by being dissolved, it is deprived of those characters which the oryctognost uses for its description and discrimination.

## CLASS



CLASS III.

INFLAMMABLE FOSSILS.

**T**HE fossils belonging to this class are light, brittle, mostly opaque, always yellow, brown or black, scarcely ever crystallized, and do not feel cold. They are more nearly allied to the metallic than to the saline or earthy classes of fossils. This class is by Werner divided into four genera, viz. 1. Sulphur genus. 2. Bituminous genus. 3. Graphite genus. 4. Resin genus.

The **SULPHUR** Genus contains one species, viz. *Sulphur*, which contains the following subspecies: *a.* Common Sulphur; *b.* Volcanic Sulphur.

The **BITUMINOUS** Genus is subdivided into the following species: 1. *Fossil or Mineral Oil*. 2. *Mineral Pitch*, of which there are three subspecies, *a.* Elastic; *b.* Earthy; *c.* Slaggy. 3. *Brown Coal*, which contains the following subspecies: *a.* Bituminous Wood; *b.* Earth Coal; *c.* Alum Earth; *d.* Common Brown Coal; *e.* Muir Coal. 4. *Black Coal*; or as it was used to be termed, Stone or Common Coal, which comprehends the following subspecies: *a.* Pitch Coal; *b.* Columnar Coal; *c.* Slate Coal;



Coal; *d.* Cannel Coal; *e.* Foliated Coal; and *f.* Coarse Coal.

The GRAPHITE Genus contains three species.  
 1. *Glance Coal*; of which there are two subspecies:  
*a.* Conchoidal; *b.* Slaty. 2. *Graphite*, which contains two subspecies: *a.* Scaly; *b.* Compact.  
 3. *Mineral Charcoal*.

The RESIN Genus contains two species; 1. *Amber*, of which there are two subspecies: *a.* Yellow; *b.* White. 2. *Honeystone*.

### FIRST GENUS.

#### SULPHUR GENUS.

### FIRST SPECIES.

#### Natural Sulphur.

Natürlicher Schwefel.—*Werner*.

It contains two subspecies: *a.* Common Natural Sulphur; *b.* Volcanic Natural Sulphur.

#### *a.* Common Natural Sulphur.

Gemeiner natürlicher Schwefel.—*Werner*.

Sulphur nativum purum flavum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 123.—Soufre, *Rom. d. L.* t. 1. p. 289. *Id. De Born.* t. 2. p. 91.—Natürlicher Schwefel, *Wid.* f. 646. *Id. Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. 368.—Native Sulphur, *Kirw.* vol. 2. p. 69.—Nat. Schwefel, *Essner*, 3 b. f. 178. *Id. Emm.* 2 b. 189.—Soufre, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 68.—Le Soufre natif, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 37.—Soufre, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 277. 287.—Schwefel *Reufs*, 3 b. f. 84.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour perfect sulphur yellow, of different degrees of intensity, passing into honey yellow, lemon yellow and wax yellow, with an intermixture of grey and brown.

Occurs massive, disseminated; and crystallized,

1. In high very acute octahedrons, (whose base is oblique,) which terminate in a point or a line.

2. The same figures with truncated summits.

3. The acute octahedron, whose summits terminate in a point, acuminate by four planes which are set on the lateral planes. The summits of the acuminations are sometimes truncated.

4. Fig. 1. in which the edges of the common basis are truncated. The truncations become sometimes so large, that the figure may be considered as a four-sided prism very acutely acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes.

5. The octahedron having the obtuse angles of the base truncated.

6. Double six-sided pyramid with two opposite broader, and four opposite smaller lateral planes, which therefore terminates in a line.  
—*Reufs.*

7. Compressed six-sided pyramid, acuminate by four planes, which are set on the smaller lateral planes.

Crytals



Crystals are middle sized, small and very small ; rarely large.

Surface of the crystals is smooth and splendent.

Internally, it is intermediate between shining and glistening, and its lustre is adamantine, approaching to resinous.

Fracture small grained uneven, passing to splintery.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt edged.

Is translucent ; but in crystals semitransparent and transparent. Duplicating transparent.

Is very soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Very easily frangible.

Exhales a faint sulphureous smell.

Light.

Specific gravity, 1.990 to 2.033.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

When placed on inflamed coals, it burns with a bluish flame, and emits a pungent suffocating vapour, and is totally volatilized.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs commonly in masses in gyps, limestone, and marl. Near Artern, it occurs along with honeystone and bituminous wood.

It is sometimes found in veins that traverse primitive rocks ; in veins of copper pyrites that  
traverse



traverse granite at Schwartzwald in Swabia; in Siberia, in the gold mines of Catharineburg, and in lead-glance veins in the Altain mountains.

It occurs also in nests in limestone in Ireland; in sandstone at Budoshegy in Transilvania; along with red manganese ore at Kapnik, and with red orpiment at Felsobanya.

Very lately the celebrated and enterprising Prussian traveller, Von Humboldt, communicated to the National Institute of France, a note, in which he mentions his having discovered, in the province of Quito, between Alausi and Ticsan, a bed composed of sulphur and quartz in a mountain of mica slate; and also great quantities of sulphur in primitive porphyry.—*Annales de Museum National, cahier 17.*

#### *Geographic Situation.*

In *Europe*, it occurs at Baaden in Austria; Kapnik and Felsobanya in Hungary; Budoshegy in Transilvania; Swossauetz in West Galicia; Artern in Thuringia; Schwartzwald in Swabia; Lauenstein in Hanover; Bevieux, Sablin near Bex, and Jura in Switzerland; Lothringen and Mont d'Or in France; Urbina in the Papal Territories; Veruca in Tuscany; Tortona in Piedmont; the Valley of Mazarra in Sicily, (where the large crystals are found); also near Naples; in the mountains of Grenada, Andalusia, and Conil near Cadiz in Spain; Casan, Sumarc on the Wolga in Russia.



In *Asia*, it occurs in the Uralian mountains; Sernaya Gora near Nertschinsk, Altai, Orenburg, Katharinenburg, and on the river Bolshaya in Siberia.

In *America*, in the island of Guadaloupe, and the province of Quito.

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SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Volcanic Natural Sulphur.

Vulcanischer natürlicher Schwefel.—*Werner*.

Le Soufre natif volcanique, *Broch*. t. 2. p. 42.—Vulcanischer Schwefel, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 90.

*External Characters.*

Colour sulphur yellow, inclining considerably to green.

Occurs sometimes corroded, vesicular, perforated, amorphous; sometimes as a sublimate in flowers.

Is glistening, and its lustre is resinous, inclining to adamantine.

Fracture coarse-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Is translucent in a slight degree.

In other characters, it agrees with the preceding subspecies.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs only in volcanic countries, where it is found in greater or smaller quantity amongst lava. Solfatara, in the vicinity of Vesuvius, is one of the most famous repositories of natural volcanic sulphur, and it is there collected in considerable quantities, for the purposes of commerce. It is also found in great quantity in the celebrated volcanic island Iceland; also in *Ætna*; island Vulcano, and the Lipari Islands. It occurs also in the island of Teneriff, and in the islands of St Lucie, Domingo, Martinique and Guadaloupe, in the West Indies.

In the island of Java, in the East Indies.

*Use.*

It is used as a medicine, and it enters as a principal ingredient into the composition of gunpowder; its vapour is used for whitening wool and silk; and sulphuric acid, which is so useful, is prepared from it.

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## SECOND GENUS.

## Bituminous Genus.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Fossil or Mineral Oil.

- Erdöl.—*Werner*.

Bitumen fluidissimum levissimum naphtha, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 89.—  
 Bitumen crassius, Petroleum, *id.* t. 2. p. 592.—Naphte, *Rom.*  
*d. L.* t. 2. p. 192.—Petrole, *id.* t. 2. p. 591. *Id. De Born.* t. 2.  
 p. 75.—Naphtha, *Wid.* f. 617. *Id.* Naphtha, Petrol, Moun-  
 tain or Mineral Tar, *Hatchett*, *Lin. Transf.* vol. 4. p. 131.—  
 Naphtha, *Kirw.* vol. 2. p. 42.—Petrol, *id.* vol. 2. p. 43. *Id.*  
*Estner.* 3 b. f. 95. 97.—*Id. Emm.* 2 b. f. 41.—43.—Naphte, Pe-  
 trole, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 536.—Bitume liquide blanchatre; Bitume  
 liquide brun ou noirâtre, *Hauy*, t. 3. p. 312.—La Naphta,  
 L'Huile minerale commune, ou le Petrol, *Broch*, t. 2.  
 p. 59.—60.—Naphtha, Gemeines Bergöl, *Reufs*, 3 b. f. 96—  
 101.

*External Characters.*

Colour brownish-black, passing to blackish-  
 brown; sometimes inclining more to the one, some-  
 times more to the other; some varieties incline to  
 green.

It is fluid and troubled.

Generally translucent.

More or less approaching to shining, and its  
 lustre is resinous.

Feels



Feels greasy.

Somewhat viscid.

It wets.

Feels a little cold.

Swims.

Smell bituminous.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It inflames easily, emits a bluish flame, and gives a smoke more or less opaque, according to the density of the oil, and sometimes leaves a very small earthy residue.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Composed of carbon, hydrogen, and probably a little oxygen.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It flows almost always from rocks of the coal formation, and usually from the immediate vicinity of beds of coal. It occurs sometimes in marshes, on the surface of spring water, or it flows and trickles unmixed from its repository.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

The palest coloured and least viscid varieties of rock oil, or what has been termed Naphtha\*, are found in great quantity at Baku and Scamachia

\* Werner doubts the existence of the colourless and very inflammable varieties of naphtha described by ancient writers.



on the western shore of the Caspian, particularly in the adjacent promontory of Ashberon. In the neighbourhood of Astracan, there are springs that pour out great quantities of it. It is also found near Modena, in the neighbourhood of Miano in the Dutchy of Parma; at the bottom of Vesuvius; in the Faroe islands, and the island of Iceland.

The more viscid and darker-coloured varieties are found in *Europe*; at Gaming in Lower Austria; Moldavia; Hungary; at the pass Oytosch in Transylvania; Croatia; Hafing in the Tyrol; Pukutien near Kaluesch in Galicia; Porentru in the Bishopric of Basle, now the department of Mont Terrible, and Chatonoy near Berne; Parma; at Pietra Bianca, on the southern foot of Vesuvius; near Petraglia in Sicily; Dalmatia; in France at Sulzin Alface, Gabian in Languedoc, Auvergne and Gascogne; Hecla in Iceland; Lancashire in England; St Catharine's Well near Edinburgh; and in the island of Pomona, one of the Orkneys.

In *Asia*, in Persia on the borders of the Caspian, at Semenowa in Siberia, and the stream Taliza in the Altai.

In *America*, on the banks of the Ohio, and the island of Newfoundland. Many springs in Pennsylvania carry rock-oil along with them, and, according to the accounts of travellers, in immense quantities.

Uses.



*Uses.*

In Piedmont, Persia, Japan, and other countries, it is used in lamps in place of oil, for lighting streets, churches, &c. It is also, when mixed with a little earth, used for warming rooms. It is also used, instead of common tar, to preserve wood from decay, and from worms; also as a varnish, and in fire-works.

## SECOND SPECIES.

## Mineral Pitch.

THIS species is by Werner divided into three subspecies. 1. Earthy Mineral Pitch. 2. Slaggy Mineral Pitch. 3. Elastic Mineral Pitch.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Earthy Mineral Pitch.

Erdiges Erdpech.—*Werner.*

Semicompact mineral Pitch, or Maltha, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 46.—

Le Poix mineral terreuse, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 65.— Erdiges

Bergpech, *Reufs.* 3. b. f. 107.

*External Characters.*

Colour, blackish-brown.

Occurs massive.

Nearly



Nearly dull, or faintly glimmering.

Fracture earthy, or small-grained uneven, sometimes approaching to splintery.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty blunt-edged.

The streak shining, and resinous.

Is very soft.

Completely sectile.

Not particularly difficultly frangible.

Feels greasy.

Pretty cold.

Light, almost swimming.

Smell strongly bituminous.

*Chemical Characters.*

It burns with a clear and fierce flame; emits an agreeable bituminous smell; and deposits much soot.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found in the valley of Travers, near Newburg, in the principality of Neufchatel in Switzerland. It is said also to occur at Lothringen in France; in the Hartz and near Prague in Bohemia. In the Hartz, it occurs in veins that traverse grey wacke; and at Prague, in calc-spar veins that traverse transition greenstone.

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## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Slaggy Mineral Pitch.

Schlackiges Erdpech.—*Werner.*

Bitumen solidum coagulatum friabile, Asphaltum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 93. — Asphalte ou Bitume de Judée, *Rom. de L.* t. 2. p. 592. *Id. De Born.* t. 2. p. 78. — Bergpech or Judenpech, *Wid.* f. 624. — Asphalt or Compact mineral Pitch, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 46. — Asphaltum, *Hatchett, Lin. Trans.* vol. iv. p. 132. — Schlackiges Erdpech, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 110. *Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 50. — Asphalte, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 533. 635. — Bitume solide, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 313. — La Poix minerale scoriacée, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 66. — Schlackiges Bergpech, *Reuss*, 3. b. f. 113.

*External Characters.*

Colour velvet-black, which sometimes approaches to brownish-black.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally splendid and shining; often glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture is sometimes imperfect, sometimes very perfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty sharp-edged.

Is very soft, sometimes passing into soft.

Opaque.

Secile, so that it can be cut with a knife.

Retains its lustre in the streak.

Not very difficultly frangible.

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Feels



Feels greasy.

Light.

Smell bituminous.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is found nidular in veins, along with calc-spar and brown ironstone, at Kamfdorf in Saxony; at the Violenberg near Grund, in pieces the size of a hen's egg, mixed with flaty glance-coal, in veins composed of compact brown ironstone, cellular quartz and straight lamellar heavy spar; at Iberg in the Hartz, accompanied with lead-glance in calc-spar druses. In the Thalitter Mines it occurs in pieces in copper slate; at Carrarach in Cornwall in veins, accompanied with lead-glance, copper pyrites, fluor and calc spar. In the island of Trinidad, there is a lake three miles in circumference, covered with a bituminous substance, which is said to resemble flaggy mineral pitch; and a similar substance is found on the surface of the Dead Sea in Palestine.

*Geographic Situation.*

Besides the places already mentioned, it occurs at Morsfeld in the Palatinate; in the quicksilver mines of Deux Ponts; Salzburg; Valley of Travers near Newburg, in the principality of Neufchatel; Bex, in the canton of Berne in Switzerland; Avlona in Albania; Semenowa in Russia.

*Use.*



*Use.*

The Egyptians employed it in the process of embalming bodies\*. The Arabians still use a solution of it in oil to besmear their horse harness, to preserve it from insects. The ancients also used it as an ingredient in mortar; and it is said that the walls of the famous city of Babylon were built with a mortar of this kind. The German translator of J. Bar. de Vignola's *Civil Baukunst*, observes, "I may here also remark, that we find in the accounts of travellers that buildings are often constructed with pitch; and that Peter de Val mentions, that he examined very old buildings, the stones of which were cemented by means of mineral pitch, and which were still very firm, and in good order."

*Observations.*

1. The substances described under the name Asphalt, Jews Pitch, Mineral Pitch, principally belong to this subspecies, although under these names,

\* Rouelle concludes from experiments which he made on mummies, that the Egyptians employed flaggy mineral pitch in embalming the dead. This operation was performed in three different ways; the first with flaggy mineral pitch alone; the second with a mixture of this bitumen, and a liquor extracted from cedar, called Cedria; and the third with a similar mixture, to which resinous and aromatic substances were added. *Haüy, Mineralog. t. 3. p. 315, 316.*



names, by some mineralogists, earthy mineral pitch is understood.

2. Gagat or Jet, is a variety of pitch coal, and therefore cannot be arranged under this species.

### THIRD SUBSPECIES.

#### Elastic Mineral Pitch.

#### Elastiches Erdpech.—*Werner*.

Elastic Bitumen, *Hatchett*, Linn. Transf. vol. iv. p. 146. &c.—  
Mineral Cahoutchou, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 48.—Elastiches Erdpech, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 106. *Id. Emm.* 3. b. f. 106.—Cahoutchou fossile, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 540. — La Poix minerale elastique, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 64. — Bitume elastique, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 313. 314.—Elastiches Bergpech, *Reuss*, 3. b. f. 110.

#### *External Characters.*

Colour blackish-brown, sometimes inclining to brownish-black, sometimes to reddish-brown.

Occurs massive, disseminated, globular, stalactitic, and with impressions.

Internally, shining and glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture curved flaty. Cross fracture conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, also flaty.

Is translucent on the edges.

Streak



Streak shining.

Very soft.

Perfectly sectile.

Elastic flexible.

Light, verging on swimming.

Specific gravity,—*Hatchett*, from 0.9053 to 1.233

*La Metherie*, 0.930

*Jordan*, 0.9021

#### *Geographic and Geognostic Situation.*

Mr Hatchett, in his very interesting memoir on Bituminous Substances, published in the Linnean Transactions, informs us, that the elastic bitumen is found in the cavities of a vein in the lead-mine called Odin, which is situated near the base of Mamtor, to the north of Castletown in Derbyshire. The vein is composed of lead-glance, accompanied with fluor-spar, calc-spar, heavy spar, quartz, blende, calamine, selenite, and flaggy mineral pitch.

#### *Observations.*

1. According to Hatchett, a complete transition is to be observed from Mineral Oil to Elastic Mineral Pitch.

2. Like the elastic gum, called Cahoutchou, it removes the traces of graphite (black lead), but it at the same time soils the paper a little.

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## THIRD SPECIES.

## Brown Coal.

This species is divided into five subspecies:  
 1. Bituminous Wood. 2. Earth Coal. 3. Alum  
 Earth. 4. Common Brown Coal. And, 5. Muir  
 Coal.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Bituminous Wood.

Bituminöses Holz.—*Werner.*

Vegetabile fossile bituminosum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 415.—Bitumi-  
 nöses Holz, *Wid.* f. 631. *Id. Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 365.—  
 Carbonated Wood, *Kirw.* vol. 2. p. 60.—Bituminöses Holz,  
*Estner*, 3 b. f. 166. *Id. Emm.* 2 b. f. 54.—Le Bois bitumi-  
 neux commun ou parfait, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 44.—Bituminöses  
 Holz, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 146.

*External Characters.*

Colour sometimes light, sometimes dark brown,  
 approaching to wood-brown, or brownish-black.

Its external shape resembles exactly that of  
 stems and branches of trees, but is usually com-  
 pressed.

Principal fracture glimmering, sometimes ap-  
 proaching to glistening. Cross fracture shining.  
 The first is lighter coloured than the second.

Fracture



Fracture fibrous in the small, flaty in the great, and corresponds with the woody texture.

Cross fracture in some varieties imperfect conchoidal.

Fragments splintery, cuneiform, seldom indeterminate angular.

Opaque.

Streak shining.

Is soft.

Sectile.

Rather elastic flexible.

Feels more or less cold.

Not very difficultly frangible.

Light, almost swimming.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It burns with a clear flame, and evolves, during combustion, a sweetish bituminous smell, which is very different from that of black coal.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

According to Vauquelin, the bituminous wood of Rollo contains the following ingredients:

Vegetable earth,	54
Sulphat of iron,	10.7
Sulphur,	0.8
Oxide of iron,	12.7
Sulphat of lime,	0.7
Silica,	0.2
Loss,	

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs usually in alluvial land in beds of common brown coal, sometimes also forming whole beds, of which a small portion is converted into brown coal and earth coal. It sometimes also occurs in fragments, branches, &c. in clay, and in the Prussian amber mines it is found in considerable quantity, and sometimes with adhering amber. Is found also in great quantity in the newest floetz trap formation; in which it forms beds, is embedded in pitch-coal, or in trap breccia. It occurs also in masses in limestone and sandstone, belonging to the independent coal formation.

*Geographic Situation.*

In England, at Bovey, near Exeter; in Scotland, in the floetz trap formation, accompanied with pitch-coal, in the island of Skye; in separate pieces, in trap breccia, in the island of Cannay; in floetz limestone in the island of Skye; and in the independent coal formation in the county of Mid-Lothian; Bohemia in the Saatzer and Leitmeritzer Circles; Austria; Transilvania; Moravia; Leoban in Stiria; Irsenberg in Bavaria; Weiding, Zottenwiese, the Upper Palatinate; Kieflingwalde near Landeck in Silesia; Beider See near Halle, in the circle of Saal; near Merseburg, in the circle of Leipfic; and Artern, Eisleben in Thuringia; Kaltennordheim near Eisenach, and Wehrau in Upper Lusatia; Habichtswalde in Hessia;



Hessia; Cloisa Lech in Wurttemberg; Freinwalde and Königswalde in Brandenburg; Minden in the territory of Hanover; Westerwald; Salzburg; different places in France; Iceland; Russia.

*Use.*

It is employed as fuel where great heats are not required.

*Observations.*

1. In Iceland, where it occurs in great quantity, it is called Suturband.

2. It passes into common brown coal, with which it is often confounded; also into pitch-coal.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Earth Coal.

Erdkohle.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Colour light blackish-brown; often also dark; sometimes passing to yellowish-grey, which borders on wood-brown.

Occurs massive. Its consistence is between cohering and loose, but more inclined to the latter.

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Its particles are dusty, and soil a little.

Internally, faintly glimmering, almost dull.

Fracture in the small, intermediate between uneven and fine earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Streak somewhat shining.

Is very soft, passing to friable.

Is light, almost swimming.

Occurs usually burst, and falls easily into pieces.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

The brown varieties burn easily, and diffuse, during combustion, a smell like that of burning bituminous wood. Alcohol dissolves a brownish coloured bitter substance, having many of the properties of vegetable extract. By distillation it affords a honey-yellow coloured oil, which is soluble in alcohol, and appears to be intermediate between resin and volatile oil. When this oil is freed of its watery parts, by exposure to a gentle heat, and then allowed to cool, it acquires the consistence of white cerate\*.

#### *Constituent*

\* This oil, according to Klaproth, resembles very much in its properties the substance called Sea or Lake Wax, which is found at Bargusin, on the shores of the Lake Baikal.



*Constituent Parts.**Earth Coal of Schraplau.*

Carbonated hydrogen,	59 cubic inches.
Carbonic acid,	8.5
Acid water,	12.0 grains.
Empyreumatic oil,	30.0
Coal,	20.25
Lime,	2.0
Sulphat of lime,	2.5
Clay,	0.5
Oxyd of iron,	1.0
Sand,	11.5
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*Klaproth.**Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found, along with bituminous wood, in Thuringia, in district of Mansfeldt; and in the circles of Saal and Leipfic, it occurs in beds from twenty to forty feet thick, having an extent of several square miles.

*Use.*

It is used as fuel where no great degree of heat is required, as in heating rooms, in salt, nitre and alum works, and in distillation. But to render it fit for these purposes, it must be moistened with water, beat in troughs, then made into bricks and dried. Sometimes it is intermixed with small black



black coal, to increase the intensity of the heat. Its ashes are used with advantage as a manure, and a colour resembling umber is prepared from it.

*Observations.*

1. Voight in his interesting Treatise on Black and Brown Coal, mentions a variety of earth coal, which has an ash-grey colour, and which, when applied to the flame of a candle, burns and melts like sealing wax, at the same time diffusing a not disagreeable odour\*.
2. It passes into bituminous wood, from which it differs principally in its state of aggregation.
3. UMBER or Cologne earth is said to be a variety of earth coal.
4. When much iron pyrites is dispersed through it, alum is prepared from it, as is the case at Muhl-  
bach, and Komothau in Bohemia.
5. Its name is derived from its state of aggregation and use.

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\* Mr Hatchett, in an interesting memoir lately read before the Royal Society of London, describes a substance under the name Retin-asphaltum, which appears to be the same as that mentioned by Voight. It may probably be a distinct kind of earth coal.



## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Alum Earth.

Alaunerde.—*Werner*.

Terra aluminaris, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 32.—Alaunerde, *Wid.* f. 398.  
 —*Id.* *Estner*, b. 2. f. 647.—*Id.* *Emm.* b. 2. f. 299.—Alu-  
 minite bitumineux, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 116.—La terre alumi-  
 neuse, *Broch.* t. 1. p. 383.

*External Characters.*

Colour blackish-brown, and brownish-black.

Massive.

Dull, sometimes glimmering, but this probably  
 owing to an intermixture of mica.

Fracture earthy, with a tendency to straight  
 flaty.

Breaks into tabular pieces.

Streak shining.

Feels a little meagre, and sometimes greasy.

Seftile.

Intermediate between very soft and friable.

Light.

*Chemical Characters.*

When exposed to heat, it burns with a flame ;  
 and when left some time exposed to a moist atmo-  
 sphere, it becomes warm, and at length takes fire.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs frequently in beds of great magnitude in alluvial land, and sometimes also in the floetz trap formation.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in Bohemia, Saxony, Austria, Naples, Hungary, and in the Vivrais in France.

*Use.*

It is lixivated, to obtain the alum it contains; it is even sometimes used for fuel.

*Observations.*

1. It was formerly arranged in the clay genus; but Werner has lately transferred it to its present place in the system.

2. It is already described at page. 320. &c. of vol. 1.

## FOURTH SUBSPECIES.

## Common Brown Coal.

Gemeine Braunkohle.—*Werner.*

Braun Kohle, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 126.—La Houille brune, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 47.—Gemeine braun Kohle, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 154.

Colour, light brownish-black, which passes into complete blackish-brown.

Occurs



Occurs massive.

Internally shining, and sometimes glistening; and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture rather imperfect large conchoidal; and sometimes shews the fibrous woody texture.

Fragments indeterminately angular, more or less sharp-edged.

Streak is lighter in the colour.

Is soft, and very soft.

Rather sectile.

Not very brittle.

Pretty easily frangible.

Light.

*Chemical Characters.*

Burns with a weak blue-coloured flame; and emits a smell like that of burning bituminous wood.

*Constituent Parts.*

200 grains of the Bovey brown coal, by distillation, yielded,

	<i>Grains.</i>
1. Water, which soon came over acid, and afterwards turbid, by the mixture of some bitumen,	60
2. Thick brown oily bitumen,	21
3. Charcoal,	90
4. Mixed gas, consisting of hydrogen, carbonated hydrogen, and carbonic acid,	29
	200

*Hatchett, Phil. Trans. 1804.*

*Geographic*



*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Bovey near Exeter; in the Leitmeritzer, Saatzer, and Ellbogner circles in Bohemia; in the counties of Mansfeldt, Thuringia, Magdeburg, and the circles of Saal and Leipfic, in Lower Saxony; in Heflia, at the famous hill called the Meiffner; at Kaltennordheim, in the district of Eifenach; at Stockhausen and Hoën in Westerwald; island of Bornholm in Denmark; in the Faroe islands; Greenland.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs in alluvial land, and in the newest floetz trap formation.

*Use.*

For the same purposes as bituminous wood, &c.

*Observations.*

1. We find in it, 1. Iron pyrites. 2. Honeystone. 3. Amber. 4. A substance, resembling the resin-asphaltum of Hatchett.

2. It is to be observed passing into bituminous wood and moor coal; sometimes also into pitch coal.



## FIFTH SUBSPECIES.

## Moor Coal.

Moorkohle.—*Werner*.

Moorkohle, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 129.—*La Houille limoneuse*, *Broch*,  
t. 2. p. 48.—Moorkohle, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 157.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark blackish-brown.

Occurs massive.

Internally, glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Principal fracture imperfect flaty; cross fracture  
even, approaching to flat conchoidal.

Fragments trapezoidal, approaching to cubical.

Is soft and very soft.

Rather sectile.

Streak shining.

Uncommonly easily frangible. The most fran-  
gible species of coal.

Light.

*Chemical Characters.*

Nearly same as those of brown coal.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in great beds in alluvial land; also in  
the newest floetz-trap formation.

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*Geographic Situation.*

In the Leitmeritzer, Saatzer and Ellbogner circles in Bohemia; at Thalern near Krems in Austria; said also to be found in Transilvania, Moravia, the island of Bornholm in the Baltic Sea, and the Faroe islands. It occurs more frequently in Bohemia than in any other country.

*Observations.*

1. When it is for some time exposed to the air, it bursts and falls into pieces: this burst aspect is very characteristic of this subspecies.
2. In it we sometimes observe traces of wood, but it appears principally composed of reeds.
3. It passes into the preceding subspecies.

## FOURTH SPECIES.

Black Coal.

Schwartzkohle.—*Werner.*

This species contains six subspecies: *a.* Pitch Coal; *b.* Columnar Coal; *c.* Slate Coal; *d.* Cannel Coal; *e.* Foliated Coal; and *f.* Coarse Coal.

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## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Pitch-Coal.

Pechkohle.—*Werner*.

Pechkohle, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 132.—La Houille piciforme, ou le  
Pechkohle, *Broch*. t. 2. p. 49.—Pechkohle, *Reufs*, 3. b. f.  
142.

*External Characters.*

Colour velvet-black, and brownish-black when  
it is passing into bituminous wood.

Occurs massive, in plates, and sometimes in  
shape of branches, but with a regular woody inter-  
nal structure.

Internally shining, sometimes splendid, and its  
lustre is resinous.

Fracture large and perfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty  
sharp-edged.

Is soft.

Rather brittle.

Not particularly difficultly frangible.

Light.

Specific gravity, according to Wiedenman, 1.308.

*Chemical characters.*

Burns with a greenish flame; and, according to  
Voigt, emits a very strong sweetish bituminous  
smell,



smell, like the different subspecies of brown coal, and leaves a light yellowish-coloured ash.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in all the three principal coal formations, but most frequently in that subordinate to the newest floetz-trap formation.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in the coal fields or districts of the Lothians; Fifeshire, Linlithgowshire, island of Skye, and at Cannoby and Sanquhar, in Dumfriesshire in Scotland; at Newcastle, Tindel Fells, Bolton and Whitehaven in Cumberland in England; in Austria; Hungary; the Bannat; Transilvania; Upper Lusatia; Silesia; on the famous hill called the Meißner, in Hesse; Wurttemberg; Franconia; Bavaria; Salzburg; Italy; Spain; France; Prussia.

*Use.*

It is used as fuel, either in its natural state, or when converted into coaks. According to a report published in the "Journal des Mines," twelve hundred men are employed in the district of Aude in France, in fabricating, with the pitch-coal of that neighbourhood, rosaries, buttons, ear-rings, necklaces, bracelets, snuff-boxes, drinking vessels, &c. One thousand hundredweight are yearly expended for this purpose; and, to Spain alone, the value

value



value of 18,000 livres is fold. In Prussia, the amber diggers, who name it Black Amber, cut it into various ornamental articles.

*Observations.*

1. It is the darkest coloured, and its conchoidal fracture is the most perfect of any of the subspecies of coal.

2. According to Voigt, it is to be observed passing on the one side into glance-coal, and on the other into brown coal\*.

3. Its name is derived from its pitchy aspect. It was formerly known by the name Gagat or Jet, a name derived from the river Gaga, or the city Gagas in Lesser Asia, where it was formerly dug.

4. It is named Black Amber by the Prussian amber diggers, because it is found accompanying amber, and, when rubbed, becomes faintly electric.

5. Several varieties of flaggy mineral pitch, and cannel coal, are known by the name Jet.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Columnar Coal.

Stangenkohle.—*Werner.*

Stangenkohle, *Esfner*, 3. b. f. 139.—La Houille scopiforme, ou le Stangenkohle, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 51.—Stangenkohle, *Reufs.* 3. b. f. 136.—*Id.* *Voigt's* Steinkohlen, *Gesch.* f. 190.

*External*

\* This observation of Voigt's needs further confirmation.



*External Characters.*

Colour intermediate between velvet and greyish black, inclining sometimes to iron black; seldom to brownish black.

Occurs massive.

Internally, shining and splendent, and its lustre is resinous, sometimes inclining a little to semi-metallic.

Fracture rather imperfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Occurs in thick, very thick, curved, parallel, columnar distinct concretions, having smooth glimmering surfaces.

Is soft.

Rather brittle.

Uncommonly easily frangible.

Light.

*Chemical Characters.*

It burns without flame or smell, and leaves a greyish-white coloured ash.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs at the Meißner in the newest floetz-trap formation, along with glance-coal, pitch-coal, and brown-coal. It occurs along with other subspecies of coal in the following order, proceeding from



from the upper to the lower part of the great mass of coal of which the Meißner is composed.

1. Columnar coal.
2. Glance-coal.
3. Pitch-coal.
4. Brown coal, which often verges on pitch coal.
5. Brown coal, which often includes in it bituminous wood and earth-coal.
6. Bituminous wood.

This mass of coal is covered by basalt and greenstone.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It has been hitherto found only in the Meißner, near Almerode in Hesse. It is said also to have been found in England and Scotland, but this is very problematical.

#### *Observations.*

1. Voigt is of opinion, that it is principally distinguished from glance-coal by its columnar distinct concretions, and says he has observed the complete transition from columnar coal through glance-coal to pitch-coal.
2. It deserves probably to be arranged as a subspecies of glance-coal.



## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

Slate-Coal.

Schieferkohle.—*Werner*.

Schieferkohle, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 147. — La Houille schisteuse, ou le Schieferkohle, *Broch*. t. 2. p. 52. — Schieferkohle, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 132.—*Id.* *Voigt*, f. 10.

*External Characters.*

Colour intermediate between velvet-black and dark greyish-black. Sometimes it presents a pavonine or peacock-tail tarnish, sometimes a rainbow tarnish.

Occurs massive.

Is shining and glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Principal fracture nearly straight flaty; cross fracture small grained uneven, passing into even and imperfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sometimes even trapezoidal.

Is soft.

Not particularly brittle, approaching to sectile.

Easily frangible.

Light.

Specific

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Specific gravity,

According to *Kirwan*, 1.250 to 1.370 English.  
 1.259 From *Irvine* in Scotland.  
*Wiedeman*, 1.277  
*Richter*, 1.28125 to 1.3730 From *Sabrze*  
 in *Silesia*.  
 1.32132 to 1.3820 *Bielschowitz*.

*Chemical Characters.*

It burns longer than cannel or columnar coal; cakes more or less, and after combustion leaves a slag.

*Constituent Parts.*

Slate-Coal of *Walden*.

Bitumen,	36.875
Carbon,	57.993
Earth,	5.823
Iron and oxide of manganese,	1.157
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*Richter.*

Slate-Coal of *Sabrze*.

Bitumen,	32.934
Carbon,	63.312
Earth and oxide of iron,	3.904
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*Richter.*



## Slate-Coal of Bielschowitz.

Bitumen,	37.890
Carbon,	58.172
Earths and oxide of iron,	3.937
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*Richter.*

## Slate-Coal of Whitehaven.

Carbon,	56.8
Mixture of asphalt and maltha, in which the asphalt predomi- nates,	43
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*Kirwan.**Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs most frequently in the independent coal formation, accompanied with thin layers of pitch-coal.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found wherever the independent coal formation occurs; consequently it is very widely distributed.

In England it is found in vast quantity, at Newcastle, and in the great expanse of the coal formation in that neighbourhood; in the whole tract of the coal formation which stretches from Bolton, by Altonby, Workington to Whitehaven; in Scotland, in almost



almost every quarter of the great river-district of the Forth; in great quantity in the river-district of the Clyde, and at Cannoby, Sanquhar and Kirkonnel in Dumfriesshire\* ; it is found also in Thuringia ; electorate of Saxony ; Bohemia ; Silesia ; Hungary ; the Tyrol ; Stiria ; Bamberg ; Bavaria ; Salzburg, and France.

*Observations.*

1. It passes sometimes into cannel and foliated coal.
2. It very frequently contains mineral charcoal.
3. Its name is derived from its flaty fracture.

FOURTH SUBSPECIES.

Cannel Coal.

Kennelkohle.—*Werner.*

Cannelkohle, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 151.—La Houille de Kilkenny, ou le Kennelkohle, *Broch*. t. 2. p. 53.—Cannelkohle, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 130.—*Id.* *Voigt*, f. 172.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark greyish black.

Massive.

Internally glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture

\* Williams' Mineral Kingdom ; Mineralogical Description of Dumfriesshire.



Fracture sometimes large and flat conchoidal, sometimes even.

Fragments irregular or cubical.

Is soft and semihard.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Light.

Specific gravity,

According to *Kirwan*, 1.232

*Watson*, 1.237

*La Metherie*, 1.270

*Blumenbach*, 1.275

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs with the preceding subspecies in the independent coal formation.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It is found in England near Whitehaven, Wigan in Lancashire, Brofely in Shropshire, Athercliff near Sheffield; in Scotland at Gilmerton, in the neighbourhood of Edinburgh, and Muirkirk in Clydesdale\*.

#### *Use.*

On account of its solidity, and the good polish it is capable of receiving when pure, it is cut into drinking vessels of various kinds, inkholders, snuff-boxes, &c.; but its principal use is as fuel.

#### *Observation.*

\* Williams' Mineral Kingdom; Mineralogical Description of Dumfrieshire.



*Observation.*

According to the Bishop of Llandaff, its name is derived from the word *candle*, because in some places the poor people use it in place of lights.

## FIFTH SUBSPECIES.

## Foliated Coal.

Blätterkohle.—*Werner.*

*Id. Estner*, 3. b. f. 155.—*Le Charbon lamelleux*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 54.—*Blätterkohle*, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 128.—*Voigt*, f. 72.

*External Characters.*

Colour intermediate between velvet-black and greyish-black; sometimes it has a pavonine tarnish on the fracture.

Occurs massive.

Principal fracture splendent, cross fracture glit-  
tening, and its lustre is resinous.

Principal or longitudinal fracture straight folia-  
ted, single cleavage, which is more or less perfect;  
cross fracture flaty.

Fragments indeterminately angular, approaching  
to cubical.

Is soft and very soft.

Not particularly brittle, approaching to sectile.

Very



Very easily frangible.

Light.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in the independent coal formation.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in the electorate of Saxony and in Silesia.

SIXTH SUBSPECIES.

Coarse Coal.

Grobkohle.—*Werner.*

*Id. Estner*, 3. b. f. 158.—*La Houille grossiere, ou la Grob-*  
*kohle, Broch.* t. 2. p. 55.—*Grobkohle, Reufs*, 3. b. f. 123.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark greyish-black.

Occurs massive.

Is glistening.

Cross fracture coarse grained uneven; the longitudinal fracture generally flaty.

Fragments sometimes indeterminately angular, sometimes rather blunt-edged.

Is soft.

Is semihard: it is the hardest subspecies of coal.

Rather brittle.

Pretty



Pretty easily frangible.

Light, passing into not particularly heavy.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Is found in the independent coal formation.

*Geographic Situation.*

Occurs in the coalworks in the neighbourhood of Dresden.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS ON THE DIFFERENT SPECIES OF COAL.

I. *Comparison of the several Subspecies of Coal in regard to hardness, tenacity, frangibility, lustre, &c.*

a. Coarse coal is the heaviest and hardest; the hardness diminishes through slate coal, foliated coal to earth coal, which is the softest.

b. Cannel coal is the most difficultly frangible: foliated coal and columnar coal are the easiest frangible.

c. Foliated coal, glance-coal, and pitch-coal, have the strongest lustre; moor-coal and coarse coal the weakest.

d. Bituminous wood, earth-coal, and brown coal, burn worst, and emit a peculiar odour; the other subspecies do not emit the peculiar odour, and give a stronger heat.

e. They all afford ashes, excepting coarse, foliated, and slate coal, which give slags; the



the ashes are sometimes whitish and sometimes reddish: the flags are owing to the mixture of calcareous and argillaceous earths, and iron.

2. There is an uninterrupted transition from bituminous wood to the most distant species of black coal. This transition is denied by *Voigt*, but without sufficient reason.
3. There are, according to *Werner*, three principal formations:
  1. Independent or true coal formation.
  2. That which is subordinate to the newest floetz-trap formation.
  3. That which is found in the alluvial land.
    - a. The coal of the independent coal formation occurs with clay, slate-clay, marl, sandstone, limestone, and greenstone\*.
    - b. That subordinate to the newest floetz-trap is accompanied with wacke, basalt, greenstone, and clay ironstone.
    - c. The third formation, which occurs in alluvial land, is accompanied with sand and clay.

These formations are also characterized by their accompanying species of coal. Thus, 1. The independent coal formation, which is the oldest, contains only foliated, coarse, slate, and cannel coal, sometimes also pitch-coal. 2. The second,

\* Mineralogical Description of Dumfriesshire, p. 169. to p. 174.



second, besides these, contains principally pitch-coal, also moor, glance, and columnar coal, and very seldom slate-coal. 3. In the newest formation, which comprehends those species of coal which have suffered the least alteration, we find bituminous wood, earth-coal, alum earth, moor-coal, seldom brown coal, and pitch-coal.

4. All naturalists are now agreed that the greater part of coal is derived from vegetables, which have been altered by certain natural operations, hitherto but imperfectly known.

#### FOURTH GENUS.

##### GRAPHITE GENUS.

##### FIRST SPECIES.

Glance-Coal.

Glanzkohle.—*Werner*.

This species contains two subspecies: 1. Conchoidal Glance-Coal. 2. Slaty Glance-Coal.

##### FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Conchoidal Glance-Coal.

Muschliche Glanzkohle.—*Werner*.

*Id. Esner*, 3. b. f. 135.—*La Houille eclatant, ou le Glanzkohle*,  
*Broch.* t. 2. p. 50.—*Glanzkohle*, *Reuss*, 3. b. f. 138.—*Id.*  
*Voigt*, f. 90.

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External



*External Characters.*

Colour iron-black, of various degrees of intensity, which rather inclines to brown; and on the surface has a tempered-steel coloured tarnish.

Occurs massive and vesicular; the interior of the vesicles has a tempered-steel coloured tarnish.

Internally shining, verging on splendid, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture large and small conchoidal; yet we can frequently observe a trace of the ligneous texture.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Soft, sometimes bordering on semihard.

Rather brittle.

Easily frangible.

Light.

*Chemical Characters.*

It burns without flame or smell, and leaves a white-coloured ash.

*Constituent Parts.*

Inflammable matter, 96.66

Alumina, 2.0

Silica and iron, 1.33

*Schraub. Besch. d. Meißner, f. 146.*

*Geognostic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in the newest floetz trap formation, where it is accompanied with colum-  
par



nar coal, pitch-coal, common brown coal, and bituminous wood.

*Geographic Situation.*

At the Meißner in Hesse: said also to have been found at Newcastle.

*Observations.*

1. It appears to pass into slaty glance-coal, (coal-blende).

2. On the Meißner, where it is principally found, it occurs along with other subspecies of coal, in the following order, beginning with the uppermost: 1. Columnar coal: 2. Conchoidal glance-coal: 3. Pitch-coal: 4. Common brown-coal, passing into pitch-coal: 5. Brown-coal, with inclosed bituminous wood and earth-coal: 6. Bituminous wood.—*Voigt.*

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Slaty Glance-Coal.

Schiefrige Glanzkohle.—*Werner.*

Plombagine charbonneuse, ou Anthracolite, *De Börn.* t. 2. p. 296.—Kohlenblende, *Wid.* f. 653.—Native mineral Carbon, *Kirw.* t. 2. p. 49.—Kohlenblende, *Esfner,* 3. b. f. 197.—*Id.* *Emm.* t. 2. p. 77.—Anthracite de Dolomieu.—*Id.* *Lam.* t. 1. p. 76.—La Blende charbonneuse, ou la Kohlenblende, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 79.—Anthracite, *Hauy,* t. 3. p. 307.—Kohlenblende, *Reufs;* 3. b. f. 183.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour dark iron-black, seldom inclining to brown; it is even sometimes steel-grey, particularly the varieties that border on graphite.

Occurs massive.

Is shining and glistening, and its lustre is intermediate between metallic and semimetallic.

Principal fracture is more or less perfect flaty; cross fracture small and flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty sharp edged, sometimes even trapezoidal.

Is soft; in some rare varieties, viz. those passing into graphite, very soft.

Uncommonly easily frangible.

Is intermediate between sectile and brittle.

Light, approaching to not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, *Klaproth*, 1.530; *Hauy*, 1.800; *Thomson*, 1.415; *La. Metherie*, 1.300; *Groeff*, 1.468; *Kirwan*, 1.526.

*Chemical Characters.*

According to Dolomieu, when reduced to powder, and heated in a crucible, it does not give any sulphureous or bituminous odour, and, on distillation, it affords neither sulphur nor bitumen. By exposure to a considerable heat, it burns without flame, and at length is consumed, leaving a greater or lesser portion of ash, according to its purity.

*Constituents*



*Constituent Parts.*

	<i>Guyton.</i>	<i>Panzenberg.</i>	<i>Dolomieu.</i>
Carbon,	63.73	Carbon, 90	72.05
Oxygen,	31.27	Silica, 4 to 2	13.19
Clay & oxide of iron, 5.0		Alumina, 4 to 5	3.29
		Oxide of iron, 2 to 3	3.47
		Loss, 8	
		—————	—————
		100	100.0

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in embedded masses, beds and veins, in primitive, transition and floetz rocks. It occurs in Spain, in gneiss; in Switzerland and Savoy, in mica slate and clay slate; at Lischwitz near Gera, in Saxony, in transition rocks; in the independent coal formation in the island of Arran in Scotland \*; and in the same formation near the village of Brandau, in the Saatzer circle in Bohemia.

*Geographic Situation.*

Besides the localities already mentioned, the following are given by mineralogists. In mineral veins, at Schemnitz in Hungary; at Violenberg, Lehrbach and Clausthal in Hartz, where it is accompanied with brown ironstone and flaggy mineral pitch, and with red ironstone and calc-spar; Salzburg; Vallais; Savoy; Aosta in Piedmont, and at Strido, in the territories of Florence; Auvergne in France; St Juan, St Ildefonso, San Lorenzo near La

\* Mineralogy of the Scottish isles, vol. i. p. 75.



La Chapelle, in Spain; in the mines called Gotteshülfe in der Noth, Siebenbrüder, and Güte Gottes at Kongfberg in Norway, accompanied with calc-spar and native silver; in the government of Katharinoslow in Siberia; in Dauphiny, in embedded masses, in a rock which Brochant supposes to be grey-wacke; at Kilkenny in Ireland.

*Observations.*

1. It has some resemblance, in chemical composition, to alum slate and drawing slate.

2. It was formerly considered to be exclusively a product of primitive and transition rocks, until it was discovered in the independent coal formation in the island of Arran.

3. Its occurrence in floetz rocks does not weaken in the smallest degree the conclusions drawn from its occurrence in primitive rocks respecting primitive original carbon, independent of animals or vegetables.

SECOND SPECIES.

Graphite.

Graphit.—*Werner.*

This species contains two subspecies: 1. Scaly.  
2. Compact.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Scaly Graphite.

Schuppiger Graphit.—*Werner*.

Colour dark steel grey, which approaches to light iron black.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Is usually glistening, sometimes glimmering, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture scaly foliated, passes sometimes into large conchoidal, and is sometimes flaty and uneven at the same time.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sometimes trapezoidal.

It occurs in coarse, small and fine granular distinct concretions.

Streak is shining, even lplendent, and its lustre is metallic.

Is very soft.

Perfectly sectile.

Rather difficultly frangible.

Writes and foils.

Feels very greasy.

It is intermediate between not particularly heavy, approaching to light, and heavy.

Specific gravity, (but uncertain whether of scaly or compact graphite),

<i>Kirwan,</i>	1.987	2.267
<i>Briffon,</i>	2.1500	2.456
<i>Hauy,</i>	2.0891	2.2456

SECOND



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Compact Graphite.

Dichter Graphit.—*Werner.**External Characters.*

Colour nearly the same with the preceding, only rather blacker.

Internally glimmering; sometimes glistening; and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture fine grained uneven, which passes into even, and also into large and flat conchoidal.

Some varieties show a flaty longitudinal fracture.

In other characters it agrees with the preceding subspecies.

*Chemical Characters.*

When heated in a furnace it burns, and during combustion emits a great deal of carbonic acid, and leaves a residuum of red oxide of iron.

*Constituent Parts.*

<i>Berthollet.</i>		<i>Scheele.</i>	
Oxide of carbon,	90.9	Carbon,	81
Iron,	9.1	Oxygen,	9
		Iron,	10
	—		—
	100		100
			Graphite



Graphite of Pluffier according to *Vauquelin*:

Oxide of carbon,	23
Iron,	2
Alumina,	37
Silica,	38
	—
	100

Journal des Mines, N. 12. p. 16.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs usually in beds, sometimes disseminated, and interbedded masses, in gneiss, mica-slate, clay-slate, and the independent coal formation; probably also in transition slate.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Burrowdale near Kefwick (probably in transition slate) in England, and near New Cumnock in Ayrshire in Scotland; (in the independent coal formation\*); in Bohemia; Austria; Bavaria; Passau; Stiria; Hungary; Transylvania; Salzburg; Savoy; France; Spain; Norway; and Iceland. It is said also to have been found at the Cape of Good Hope; in Greenland; and Thutskoi Nofs in Asia.

*Uses.*

The finer kinds are first boiled in oil, and then cut into tables or pencils: the coarser parts and the refuse of the sawings are melted with sulphur, and

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\* Mineralogical Description of Dumfriesshire, p. 157. &c.



then cast into coarse pencils for carpenters: they are easily distinguished by their sulphureous smell. It is also used for brightening and preserving grates and ovens from rust; and, on account of its greasy quality, for diminishing the friction in machines. Crucibles are made with it, which resist great degrees of heat, and have more tenacity and expansibility than those manufactured with the usual clay mixtures.

### THIRD SPECIES.

Mineral Charcoal.

Mineralische Holzkohle.—*Werner.*

#### *External Characters.*

Colour greyish black.

Occurs in small angular, somewhat cubical shaped pieces.

Is glimmering, bordering on glistening, and its lustre is silky.

Fracture fibrous, which sometimes shews the woody texture.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt edged, sometimes also splintery.

Soils strongly.

Is soft, passing into friable.

Light.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situation.*

It occurs in thin layers in slate-coal, brown coal, earth-coal and moor-coal, and it is found equally widely distributed\*.

## FIFTH GENUS.

## RESIN GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

Amber.

Bernstein—*Werner*.

This species contains two subspecies: 1. White;  
2. Yellow.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

White Amber.

Weisser Bernstein.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 367.—*Le Succin blanc*, *Broch.* t. 2.  
p. 69.—*Weisser Bernstein*, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 166.

*External Characters.*

Colour straw-yellow, which sometimes inclines to yellowish-white.

Occurs

\* Mineralogical Description of Dumfriesshire, p. 88.



Occurs massive, and sometimes associated with the yellow subspecies.

Is glistening, approaching to shining, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture conchoidal, but not so perfect as the yellow subspecies.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Is only translucent.

In other characters, it resembles the following subspecies.

#### SECOND SUBSPECIES.

#### Yellow Amber.

#### Gelber Bernstein.—*Werner*.

*Id.* *Werner*, *Pabst*. 1. b. f. 367.—*Le Succin jaune*, *Broch*. t. 2, p. 70.—*Gelber Bernstein*, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 169.

#### *External Characters.*

Colour wax-yellow, which passes, by a kind of lemon yellow, into honey yellow; from this it passes into dark yellowish brown, and hyacinth red.

Occurs almost always in indeterminately angular blunt-edged pieces, having a rough uneven surface.

Externally almost always dull; internally splendid, and its lustre is intermediate between vitreous and resinous.

Fracture



Fracture large and perfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, very sharp-edged.

Transparent.

Is soft.

Rather brittle.

Pretty easily frangible.

Rather cold to the feel.

Light and swimming.

Specific gravity, 1.078 to 1.085

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It burns with a yellow-coloured flame, and if the heat be strong enough, melts and emits a peculiar agreeable odour, and leaves very little ashes.

#### *Physical Characters.*

When rubbed it acquires a strong negative electrical virtue. This property was known to the ancients, who termed amber *electrum*; from whence is derived the word *electricity*.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Is composed of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen. The Benzoic acid is probably a product of distillation.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It is found in layers of bituminous wood, and in moor-coal; also in a breccia formed by the aggregation



gation of fragments on sandy sea-shores; and frequently floating on the sea.

*Geographic Situation.*

On the coasts of Prussia, Courland, Liefland, and Ruffia; Sweden; Pomerania; West Prussia; in Jutland; island of Bornholm; more rarely on the islands of Fyhn and Moen, and the island of Zealand; Norway; in the Bannat; at Wittenberg, in the Electorate of Saxony; in the Dutchy of Wurtemberg; in Switzerland; Sicily; France; Spain. According to Sir John Hill, it is said to have been found in digging into the alluvial land in the vicinity of London. Found also sometimes on the seashores of several parts of England. Said also to be found in Siberia, and the island of Madagascar.

*Use.*

Being susceptible of a fine polish, it is cut into necklaces, bracelets, snuff-boxes, and other articles of dress. Before the discovery of the diamond and other precious stones of India, it was considered to be the most precious of jewels, and was employed in all kinds of ornamental dress. Altars were also ornamented with it. The greatest quantity at present consumed in commerce, is purchased by Armenian and Grecian merchants, but it is still uncertain where they dispose of it. It is conjectured by



by some, that it is purchased by pilgrims, previous to their journey to Mecca, and that on their arrival there, it is burnt in honour of the prophet Mahomet. The acid and oil obtained from it are used as medicines.

*Observations.*

1. It often contains insects of various species, in a state of complete preservation; also leaves and other parts of vegetables.

2. Various conjectures have been proposed respecting its origin and formation. By some, it is held to be a vegetable gum or resin; others, as Hermbstadt, consider it a mineral oil, thickened by absorption of oxygen; and Mr Parkinson is of opinion that it is inspissated mineral oil.

3. There was lately found in Prussia, a mass of amber, which weighed upwards of 13 lbs., and whose contents amounted to  $318\frac{3}{4}$  cubic inches. Five thousand dollars are said to have been offered for it; and the Armenian merchants assert, that in Constantinople it would sell for 30,000 or 40,000 dollars.—“Neues allgemeines Journal der Chemie, von Hermbstadt und Klaproth,” 1. b. f. 224.

4. Pitchcoal is sometimes found along with amber, and is called by the amber diggers, Black Amber, and is sold to the ignorant at a great price.

5. Specimens inclosing insects, &c., are highly valued; and the amber dealers are said to be possessed

lessed



ferred of means of softening it, and introducing insects and other foreign bodies into it.

6. When one part of the empyreumatic oil, obtained by distilling mineral pitch, is boiled several times, with one and half parts of turpentine, a compound is formed, which bears a great resemblance to amber, and which is very often cut into necklaces and other ornaments, and sold as true amber.

## SECOND SPECIES.

Honey Stone.

Honigstein.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wid.* f. 639.—Succin transparent en Cristaux octaedres, *D. B.* t. 2. p. 90.—Mellilite, *Kirw.* t. 2. p. 68.—Honigstein, *Emm.* t. 2. p. 86.—La Pierre de Miel, ou le Mellite, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 73.—*Id. Haüy,* t. 3. p. 335.—Honigstein, *Reufs,* 2. b. f. 52.

### *External characters.*

Colour darker or lighter honey-yellow, passing into wax-yellow.

Occurs seldom massive; almost always crystallized,

1. In low, obtuse octahedrons, which are sometimes truncated on the angles of the common basis. When these truncations increase, it passes into the

2. Four



2. Four-sided prism, acuminated by four planes, which are set on the lateral edges, like the hyacinth.

3. Garnet dodecahedron.

The summits of the crystals are sometimes rounded or truncated by a convex plane.

Planes are smooth and splendent.

Lustre intermediate between vitreous and resinous.

Fracture perfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty sharp edged.

Is duplicating translucent, passing into opaque.

Is soft; softer than amber.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Light.

Specific gravity, 1.5858 to 1.666.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, without addition, it becomes white, emits no vapour, and a scarcely perceptible odour; it is at length reduced to ashes, without showing any flame.—*Brochant.*

According to Lampadius, before the blow-pipe, it burns with a weak flame, and becomes opaque and black, and a white infusible powder remains behind. Borax and natron dissolve it in part, and leave undissolved a white opaque residue.

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*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Alumina,	16
Mellilitic acid,	46
Water of crystallization,	38
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	100

According to *Klaproth*.

*Vauquelin* finds it to be composed of 66.6 of mellilitic acid, and 33.3 of silica, lime and alumina.

*Physical Character.*

According to *Hauy*, it acquires, by rubbing, a slight degree of electricity.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs super-imposed on bituminous wood and earth-coal, and is usually accompanied with sulphur. It has been hitherto found only at Aertern in Thuringia, and Langenbogen in the circle of Saal. It is said also to have been found along with flaggy mineral-pitch in Switzerland.

*Observations.*

1. Its name is borrowed from its honey-yellow colour.
2. *Werner* referred it to its present place in the system, from its external characters. *Karsten* and *Reufs* consider it as a species of the clay genus, on account of its containing a considerable portion of alumina.

3. It



3. It differs from amber in colour ; in being crystallized ; duplicating translucent ; softer ; heavier, and less powerfully electric.

4. It is chemically distinguished from amber : On burning coal, amber melts and diffuses an agreeable odour ; honey-stone, on the contrary, becomes white, without fusion or odour.

CLASS



CLASS IV.  
METALLIC FOSSILS.

**T**O give a minute detail of the physical and chemical characters of this class of minerals, would be improper in a work of this kind, whose principal object is to make us acquainted with the external aspect of simple minerals. I refer those who wish for particular and accurate information on this subject, to THOMSON'S excellent "System of Chemistry."

I. PLATINA GENUS.

FIRST SPECIES.

Native Platina.

Gediegen Platin.—*Werner*.

Platina aurum album, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 365.—Platine, *Romé de Lile*, t. 3. p. 487.—*Id. de Born*, t. 2. p. 479.—Platin, *Werner*, *Pabst.* 1. b. f. 31.—*Id. Wid.* f. 661.—*Id. Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 109.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 106.—*Id. Lam.* t. 1. p. 96.—Le Platine natif, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 86.—Platine natif ferrifere, t. 3. p. 368.—Platin, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 234.

*External Characters.*

Colour very light steel-grey, which approaches to silver-white.

Occurs



Occurs in flat, small and very small grains, having pretty smooth surfaces; seldom in small angular grains, with impressions of other minerals.

Externally shining and glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture, on account of the smallness of the particles, cannot be determined. It is, however, probably hackly.

Streak more shining than the true lustre.

Is intermediate between semihard and soft.

Completely malleable.

Common flexible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 15.601. Purified, 20.980.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Soluble in the nitro-muriatic acid. Infusible, without addition, excepting in the focus of a burning-glass, or when exposed to the action of flame urged by oxygen gas. It is the least fusible of the metals. It does not amalgamate with mercury.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

From the recent analyses of crude platina by Dr Wollaston and Mr Smithson Tennant, we learn, that it is a much more compound body than was formerly suspected, containing, besides platina and iron, no less than four other metals, namely, Iridium, Osmium, Rhodium and Palladium.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It has been hitherto found only in a secondary repository, in sand, in which it is accompanied with iron-sand, gold grains, crystals of quartz, topaz and spinelle, and particles of silver amalgam and graphite\*. According to Ulloa, it is found massive in veins; but this observation has not been confirmed by subsequent travellers.

*Geographic Situation.*

In South America, in the two gold mines of Novitia and Citaria, north from Choco in Popayan. It is said also to have been found in the islands of St. Domingo and Barbadoes.

*Uses.*

Its property of remaining unaltered in the air, or when exposed to high heats, of resisting the action of many salts, and of receiving a fine polish, have rendered this metal useful for various chemical and physical instruments, as pyrometers, crucibles, pendulums, reflecting telescopic mirrors, and for wheels in the construction of watches. Reflecting mirrors made of glass, although they preserve their lustre and polish well, are inconvenient, because they form a double image: mirrors made with metallic alloys, which were substituted

\* The gold is separated from the platina, either by washing or by amalgamation. This accounts for the presence of quicksilver in platina.



in their place, give but a single image, but tarnish on exposure to the air: mirrors of platina possess the advantage of not tarnishing, and they give but one image, and, owing to their great density, augment the reflecting power. Of all metals it expands the least by heat, and follows the most regular course in its expansion; hence it is admirably fitted for measures. The geometers *Delambre* and *Mechain*, in measuring the arc of the meridian contained between Dunkirk and Barcelona, used, in their operations, rods made of this metal. *Klaproth* has shown, that it may be used with great advantage in painting and ornamenting porcelain; and although when burnt in and burnished it has nearly the same colour as silver, yet it is not, like it, liable to be tarnished by sulphureous effluvia, or to be affected by alterations of the atmosphere. The platina used for those purposes is repeatedly melted with arsenic; without its aid, we could only have obtained it in very small masses, owing to the intense heat required for its fusion, and the small quantity fused.

*Observations.*

1. The name Platina is originally Spanish, and is the diminutive of *plata*, silver, probably on account of its resemblance to it in colour, or owing to its occurring in small grains.
2. It is distinguished from silver by its colour, external shape, greater hardness, and specific gravity.
3. It is chemically distinguished from silver by  
its



its infusibility without addition, and its insolubility in nitric acid.

4. In the cabinet of the Academy of Bergaria in Biscay, there is said to be a mass of platina, the size of a pigeon's egg. Humboldt has lately presented the King of Prussia with a mass which is still larger.

## SECOND GENUS.

### Gold Genus.

#### FIRST SPECIES.

##### Native Gold.

##### Gediegen Gold.—*Werner*.

*Werner* divides this species into three Subspecies: 1. Gold-yellow Native Gold. 2. Brass-yellow Native Gold. 3. Greyish-yellow Native Gold.

#### FIRST SUBSPECIES.

##### Gold-yellow Native Gold.

##### Gold-gelbes gediegen Gold.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 3. *Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. III. *Id. Eslnet.* 3. b. f. 215. l'Or natif, jaune d'Or, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 89.—  
Gold-gelbes gediegen Gold, *Reust,* 3. b. f. 246.

#### *External Characters.*

Colour perfect gold-yellow, which is more or less light or pale; in some varieties inclines a little to brass-yellow.

Occurs



Occurs seldom massive, often disseminated, in membranes, in roundish and flattish pieces, in grains which are large, coarse, small and fine, in leaves, filiform and reticulated; also crystallized in the following figures:

1. Cube.
2. Octahedron.
3. Simple three-sided pyramid, with truncated angles.
4. Garnet dodecahedron.
5. Leuzite crystal, or the acute double eight-sided pyramid, acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the alternate lateral edges.

The crystals are very small and minute.

The surface of the crystals is usually smooth, sometimes also drusy and rough; of the leaves delicate drusy or smooth, and of the grains rough.

External lustre of the crystals is splendid; that of the grains glistening.

Internally it is glimmering, passing into glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture fine hackly.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Very blunt-edged.

Streak shining.

Is soft.

Completely malleable.

Common flexible.

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Uncommonly



Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity of pure gold, 19.258 to 19.640.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins, in mineral beds, also disseminated in rocks, and in grains in alluvial land.

In primitive mountains it is found in gneifs, mica-slate, and clay-slate, &c.; in Salzburg and the Tyrol, it occurs in mica-slate; in Upper Hungary in gneifs; in clay-slate in Peru; in clay-porphry in Transilvania\*.

It occurs most commonly with quartz, and also very frequently with iron pyrites and grey antimony.

Its other accompanying minerals are quartz, calc-spar, felspar, heavy spar, copper pyrites, red silver ore, brittle silver-glance, brown ironstone, lead-glance, blende, and very seldom gyps.

In Bohemia it occurs along with quartz. At Schemnitz in Hungary, although now very rare, it used to be found filiform and in leaves, accompanied with silver-glance, and brittle silver-glance; sometimes also disseminated in hornstone. At Kremnitz it was formerly found in cellular quartz, and on crystallized quartz, greyish-white straight lamellar heavy-spar, brittle silver-glance, and massive

\* It has never been found in granite?



five fahl-ore. At Magurka, also in Hungary, it was found, accompanied with greyish-white quartz and grey antimony. In the mine Helena, at Oravicza in the Bannat, it is found dentiform and filiform, in pale flesh-red and greenish-white limestone, with white cobalt-ore and copper-nickel; and at the mine St Nicolai, it occurs filiform in calc-spar, along with copper pyrites, and arsenic pyrites. Some time ago, it was found disseminated and filiform, with crystallized orpiment, in the Winceflai Mine at Kapnik. The native gold of Sztanischa occurs filiform, and in leaves superimposed on calc-spar and clay-porphry; that from Bulkoy in sandstone with arsenic pyrites. The gold of Grofskirchheim in Carinthia occurs in massive and crystallized quartz, with tile ore, copper and iron pyrites, and other copper-ores. In Zillerthal in the Tyrol, both in the Austrian and Salzburgian parts, it occurs disseminated, filiform, in membranes, and also crystallized, and accompanied with massive and crystallized iron pyrites, in mica-slate. The Norwegian, at Eidsvold occurs in leaves, and cellular, accompanied with iron pyrites and brown iron ochre. At Mork in Lisle Herred, also in Norway, in quartz, accompanied with copper-green: And at Aardals copperwork, in membranes, on variegated copper-ore, and sometimes crufted over with compact malachite. The Siberian occurs sometimes on iron shot quartz, with red lead-ore; sometimes on brown  
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iron-stone, and in granular heavy-spar, or with horn-ore.

*Geographic Situation.*

*Europe.*—Cornwall in England; Leadhills in Scotland; County of Wicklow, in Ireland; Bohemia; Carinthia; the Tyrol; Lower Hungary; Upper Hungary; the Bannat; Transilvania; Saxony, at Johanngeorgenstadt; France; Piedmont; Spain; Ruffia; Sweden, at Ædelfors; Norway.

*Asia,* in Siberia; China; Japan; island of Ceylon; Philippine islands; Maldivé islands, and island of Sumatra.

*America,* in Mexico; Peru; Chili, and Brazil.

*Africa,* in Sofala; Mozambique; Monomotapa; Abyffinia, and Æthiopia.

The sand of many rivers is auriferous\*. In *Europe,* are mentioned the Danube and Waga in Austria; Zazawa, Moldau and Iser in Bohemia; the Aranyosch, Szamosch, Marosch, and some rivers of the Hazegerthal in Transilvania; the Rhine, the Inn and Iser in Bavaria; the Saale, the Seilla, in the circle of the Lower Rhine; the Eder in Heflia; the Jugelbach, Peckhoferbach, and the Schwarzwasser in the Saxon Obererzgeberge; the Goltſch  
in

\* The gold found in rivers usually belongs to the gold-yellow subspecies.



in Voigtland ; the Rhone, Arriege, and many rivers in France.

*Africa.* In great quantity in many of the African rivers.

*America.* The rivers Matto Grosso, and Minas Geræs in Brazil ; and the river Tipohaus in Peru.

#### *Observations.*

1. It appears to possess all the crystallizations of the spinelle.

2. There are different formations of gold, and this subspecies is by Werner considered to be the oldest.

#### SECOND SUBSPECIES.

#### Brass-yellow Native Gold.

#### Messing-gelbes gediegen Gold.—*Werner.*

*Id. Werner's* Pabst. 1. b. f. 5.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 113.—L'or natif d'un jaune de Laiton, *Broch.* t. 2: p. 91.—Messing-gelbes gediegen Gold, *Reust,* 3. b. f. 258.

#### *External Characters.*

Colour brass-yellow, which is more or less light or pale, and sometimes inclines to silver-white.

Occurs disseminated, rarely massive, capillary, moss-like, reticulated, and in leaves ; also crystallized in thin six-sided tables, in which the  
terminal



terminal planes are set alternately oblique and straight on the lateral planes\*.

It is rather lighter than the preceding subspecies, the remaining characters are the same.

*Constituent Parts.*

The Bohemian, according to *Lampadius*,

Gold,	96.9
Silver,	2.0
Iron,	1.1
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	100

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins in grey wacke, grey wacke slate, and transition limestone, and is accompanied with quartz, amethyst, massive fahl-ore, and iron and copper pyrites. It occurs also in bituminous wood and black-coal.

*Geographic Situation.*

At Eula in Bohemia; in the Vöröschpataker Mountains, and Offenbanya in Transilvania; in various places in Salzburg; in the mine called Louisa Augusta at Kongsberg in Norway.

*Observation.*

\* Abbé *Estner* asserts, that he has seen brassy-yellow and greyish-yellow gold ores having all the regular external shapes of gold-yellow gold ore.



*Observation.*

When its colour becomes very light, it borders on goldish silver, and then it usually occurs in calc-spar.

## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Greyish-yellow Native Gold.

Graugelbes gediegen Gold.—*Werner*.

*Id. Emm.*, 2. b. f. 114.—L'Or natif d'un jaune grisâtre, *Broch.*  
t. 2. p. 92.—Fahlgelbes gediegen Gold, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 260.

*External Characters.*

Colour brassy-yellow, which falls strongly into steel-grey.

Occurs in very small flattish grains, like platina.

Surface is glistering.

Is never crystallized.

It is heavier than brassy-yellow native gold, but lighter than gold-yellow native gold.

In other characters it does not differ from the preceding.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs along with platina.

*Observation.*



*Chemical Characters of Gold.*

It is soluble in nitro-muriatic acid, and is precipitated from its solution by a solution of sulphat of iron.

*Use.*

The uses of it are numerous and important ; but we cannot at present enter into the detail of them, because it is intended for the part of this work which treats of economical mineralogy. But, for almost every purpose, it is mixed with a quantity of copper, which is usually about  $\frac{1}{24}$ , and never exceeds  $\frac{3}{4}$ , which gives the gold a consistence and a hardness which it does not possess when pure.

*Observations.*

1. Iron-pyrites, containing an accidental mixture of gold, has been, by some mineralogists, described as an ore of gold. To this distinction, however, it has no claim. The richest goldish or auriferous pyrites is found at Facebay in Transilvania, and which contains 0.02 to 0.03 of gold. Auriferous pyrites occurs also at Adelfors and Smoland in Sweden; in the Beresowskischen Mine in Siberia; in the Vallais and the Grisons in Switzerland; in Dauphiny, and Mexico.

2. It is distinguished from copper and iron pyrites, by its colour, specific gravity and malleability.

3. Although,



3. Although, in comparison with iron, it occurs in very small quantities, yet it is nearly equally widely distributed in nature.

4. Helms relates, that near La Paz in Peru, about eighty years ago, an overhanging cliff fell down, in the fragments of which, masses of gold, from two to fifty pounds weight, were found.

5. The subspecies of gold differ from each other, not only in their external characters, but also in their chemical composition.

The first subspecies is pure; the second contains a little silver, probably also a minute portion of copper and iron, and the third is probably a mixture of gold and platina.

### THIRD GENUS.

#### MERCURY GENUS.

#### FIRST SPECIES.

Native Mercury, or Quicksilver.

Gediegen Queckfilber.—*Werner*.

*Mercurius virgineus*, *Hydrargyrum nativum*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 148.

—*Mercure natif*, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 152.—Gediegen Queck-

filber, *Wid.* f. 719.—*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 6.—Native Mer-

cury, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 223.—Gediegen Queckfilber, *Emm.*

2. b. f. 129.—*Mercure natif*, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 166.—*Id.*

*Broch.* t. 2. p. 96.—*Id. Haüy*, t. 3. p. 423.—Gediegen Queck-

filber, *Reust*, 3. b. f. 269.

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*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour perfect tin-white.

Occurs perfectly fluid ; and in larger or smaller parties or globules in the cavities of other ores of mercury.

Is splendent, and its lustre is metallic.

It does not wet the finger.

Feels very cold.

Is uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 13.581. *Haüy.*

*Constituent Parts.*

According to Klaproth, it contains no intermixture of any other metal.

*Chemical Character.*

Before the blow-pipe, it is volatilized, without giving any smell.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs usually with cinnabar, and, as already mentioned, in globules or parties. The globules are sometimes at their surface, combined with sulphur, thus passing to the state of cinnabar. Sometimes the mercury is combined with a little silver, then it becomes more coherent, and forms the transition to the following species.

At



At Idria, it occurs in a compact limestone, which is much traversed by veins of calc-spar; also in sandstone, which contains disseminated iron pyrites and massive and crystallized cinnabar; at Allemont it occurs with natural amalgam and cinnabar, in calc-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Friaul in Idria; Niederflana in Upper Hungary; Delach in Carinthia; Morsfeld and Wolfstein, in the Palatinate; Potsberg and Stahlberg, in Deux-Ponts; Schwarzleogang, Sulzenberg near Brixen, in the valley of Brixen; Allemont in Dauphiny; Almadin in Mancha, and Xea d'Albararie in Arragon, in Spain; Guanacavelica in Peru, in South America.

*Uses.*

To this metal we owe our knowledge of many of the most important and universal natural phenomena. By the barometer it enables us to measure the density of the atmosphere; by the thermometer, to measure its temperature; and in chemical experiments, it affords the only sure and infallible means of collecting gases absorbable in water,—a property which has enabled chemists to make many brilliant and important discoveries.

Its property of amalgamating, enables us, at far less expence than by the usual metallurgic operations,

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tions, to extract minute portions of gold and silver from poor ores. Without the process of amalgamation, the important silver-mines of Saxony, from want of fuel, would in all probability have been long since abandoned. When amalgamated with tin, and laid on glass, it forms mirrors. Amalgams of gold and silver are employed for plating other metals: they are easily applied, and the mercury is volatilized by application of heat. Its oxides act as very powerful medicines.

*Observations.*

1. The greater part of the mercury of commerce is obtained by distilling native cinnabar, not from native mercury, which occurs but in small quantity.

2. When rendered solid by artificial freezing mixtures, it is found to be malleable, and to crystallize in octahedrons.

3. Probably the fracture of frozen mercury is hackly?

SECOND SPECIES.

Natural Amalgam.

Natürliches Amalgam.—*Werner.*

Amalgame natif d'Argent, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 162.—Natürliches Amalgam, *Werner*, *Pabst.* 1. b. f. 7.—*Id. Wid.* f. 722.—

Natural



Natural Amalgama, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 223.—Naturliches Amalgam, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 134.—Amalgame natif d'Argent, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 120.—*Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 99.—Mercure argenteal, *Hauy*, t. 3. p. 432.—Amalgam, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 273.

THIS species is divided into two subspecies.

1. Fluid or semifluid amalgam. 2. Solid amalgam.

#### FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Fluid or semifluid Amalgam.

Flüßiges oder halbflüßiges Amalgam.—*Werner.*

#### *External Characters.*

Colour intermediate between tin-white and silver-white, according as it contains more or less silver, but usually inclines more to the first.

Occurs in small massive pieces, and in balls; sometimes also in membranes, and disseminated; also crystallized as follows:

1. Octahedron, more or less deeply truncated on the edges. When the truncating planes become so large, that the original planes disappear,
2. Garnet dodecahedron is formed. The edges of this figure are also frequently truncated; and often so deeply, that it passes into the
3. Leuzite crystal, or the double eight-sided pyramid, flatly acuminate on both extremities

ties



ties by four planes, which are set on the alternate lateral edges.

Crystals small and very small; usually imbedded; sometimes also two or three adhering together.

Externally shining and splendent, with a metallic lustre.

Has probably a conchoidal fracture.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty blunt-edged.

Soft, and partly somewhat fluid.

Not particularly brittle.

When it is pressed between the fingers, or cut with a knife, it emits a creaking sound like artificial amalgam.

Uncommonly heavy.

#### SECOND SUBSPECIES.

#### Solid Amalgam.

#### Festes Amalgam.—*Werner.*

Colour silver-white, which in some varieties falls into reddish white.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Is shining, approaching to glistening.

Fracture is imperfect flat conchoidal, sometimes passing into fine-grained uneven.

Fragments



Fragments indeterminately angular.

Semihard.

Brittle.

Creaks strongly when cut.

Uncommonly heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

Exposed to the fire, the mercury volatilizes, and we obtain a small button of silver.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to

<i>Heyer</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>Klaproth.</i>
Quicksilver,	74	64
Silver,	25	36
	—	—
	99	100

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is usually accompanied with native mercury and cinnabar; it also occurs along with native silver, and iron-pyrites.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Rosenau and Niederflana in Hungary; Morsfeld in the Palatinate; Moschelandsberg and Stahlberg in Deux Ponts; Erasmus Mine, and Vogelhalte in Leogang in Salzburg; and Sahlberg in Sweden.

*Observations.*



*Observations.*

1. It is distinguished from native silver, by colour, fracture, tenacity, specific gravity and sound.
2. Native silver when rubbed on copper does not whiten it as amalgam does.

## THIRD SPECIES.

Mercurial Horn-Ore, or Corneous Mercury.

Queckfilber Hornerz.—*Werner.*

Mercure corné, ou Mercure doux volatile, *Rom. d. L. t. 3. p. 161.*—Queckfilber-hornerz, *Wern. Pab. 1. b. f. 7.*—*Id. Wid. f. 724.*—Mercury mineralized by the vitriolic and marine Acids, *Kirw. t. 2. p. 266.*—Queckfilber-hornerz, *Estner, 3. b. f. 275.*—*Id. Emm. 2. b. f. 136.*—Mercure corné, *D. Born. t. 2. p. 399.*—*Id. Lam. t. 1. p. 168.*—La Mine d'Mercure cornée, ou le Mercure muriaté, *Broch. t. 2. p. 101.*—Mercure muriaté, *t. 3. p. 447.*—Queckfilber-hornerz, *Reufs, 3. b. f. 277.*

*External Characters.*

Colour ash-grey, of various degrees of intensity, which passes into yellowish-grey, and from this into greyish-white, and even sometimes inclines to greenish-grey.

Occurs very rarely massive, almost always in small vesicles, which are crystallized in the interior.

The



The crystals are,

1. Rectangular four-sided prism, acuminated by four planes, which are set on the lateral edges.
2. Rectangular four-sided prism, acuminated by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes?
3. Six-sided prism bevelled at both extremities, the bevelling planes set on the two largest opposite lateral planes?
4. Octahedron, having its summits and edges truncated?

The three last-mentioned figures are mentioned by Brochant, Estner, &c.; but their existence is still doubtful.

Crystals are minute, which renders it difficult to determine their figure. They are externally sometimes smooth, sometimes drusy, and in general splendid.

Internally splendid, with a distinct adamantine lustre.

Fracture straight foliated, as far as can be observed, and also fine and small grained uneven.

Sometimes it presents fine granular distinct concretions.

Faintly translucent, and weakly translucent on the edges.

It does not change its colour in the streak.

Soft, approaching to very soft.

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Sectile,



Sectile, can be cut with a knife.

Easily frangible.

Appears to be heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

It is volatilized before the blow-pipe, and emits a garlic smell. It is soluble in water, and the solution mixed with lime-water gives an orange-coloured precipitate.

*Constituent Parts.*

Mercury,	70
Sulphuric and muriatic acids,	30
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	100 Kirwan.

*Geognostic Situation.*

In the quicksilver mines of the Palatinate and Dutchy of Deux Ponts, it is accompanied with native mercury, cinnabar, ochrey brown ironstone, feldomer with fibrous malachite, massive and crystallized copper-azure, massive fahl-ore, in cavities of an iron-shot clayey sandstone, sometimes in clay ironstone, and red ironstone. That at Idria, occurs in cavities of an indurated clay, accompanied with crystals of cinnabar; sometimes in slate-clay, which is traversed with small veins of cinnabar.

*Geographic Situation.*

Horzowitz, in Bohemia; Moschellandsberg, in Deux Ponts; Morsfeld, in the Palatinate; Rutha  
in



in Upper Heflia; and the mine of Entredicho in Spain.

*Observation.*

It was discovered about twenty-five years ago in the mines of the Palatinate by Mr Woulfe.

FOURTH SPECIES.

Mercurial Liver-Ore, or Mercurial Hepatic-Ore.

Queckfilber Lebererz.—*Werner.*

This species contains two subspecies: 1. Compact: 2. Slaty:

FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Compact Mercurial Liver-Ore.

Dichtes Queckfilber Lebererz.—*Werner.*

*Id. Werner, Pabst. 1. b. f. 8.—Compact hepatic mercurial Ore, Kirw. vol. ii. p. 224.—Dichtes Queckfilber Lebererz, Estner, 3. b. f. 281.—Id. Emm. 2. b. f. 140.—Mine de Mercure hepatique, Broch. t. 2. p. 104.—Dichtes Lebererz, Reufs, 3. b. f. 282.*

*External Characters.*

Colour intermediate between dark cochineal, red and dark lead-grey.

Occurs



Occurs massive.

Internally glistening and glimmering, and its lustre is semimetallic.

Fracture even; rarely approaches fine-grained uneven; sometimes passes into imperfect flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Streak shining, and of a cochineal red colour.

Opaque.

Soft.

Sectile.

Easily frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 7.937 *Gellert*.

7.186 to 7.352. *Kirwan*.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is the most common ore of mercury at Friaul in Idria. It occurs there in large massive pieces.

*Observation.*

By much handling it loses its colour, and becomes black and shining.

SECOND



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Slaty Mercurial Liver-Ore.

Schiefriges Queckfilber Lebererz.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is nearly the same with the preceding subspecies, only rather a little redder.

Occurs massive.

Principal fracture shining, cross-fracture glimmering, and both have a semimetallic lustre.

Principal fracture curved and thick slaty; cross-fracture even.

Fragments slaty.

Uncommonly easily frangible.

In other characters, it agrees with the preceding subspecies.

*Constituent Parts.*

Both subspecies are said to be mineralized with sulphur, and to contain more mercury and less sulphur than cinnabar. It is said also to be combined with a portion of iron and clay. Some varieties are said to contain from 70 to 80 *per cent.* of mercury.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs along with cinnabar, and sometimes  
iron



iron and liver pyrites, and probably in the coal formation.

*Geographic Situation.*

Friaul in Idria ; Almadin, in Spain ; Nertschinfik in Siberia ; and it is said also to have been found in the Dutchy of Deux Ponts.

*Observations.*

1. Along with this species, there occurs in Siberia and Idria two fossils, which deserve to be noticed.

*a.* Is a variety of *coarse coal*, having a reddish colour, and which contains in the hundred-weight from a few pounds to twenty pounds of mercury. It is there considered as a variety of mercurial horn-ore, and is called *Branderz*.

*b.* The second fossil is a variety of *bituminous shale*, which has disseminated through it numerous balls of the before-mentioned coarse coal, and is called *Corallenerz*. It also contains a considerable portion of mercurial horn-ore.

2. Its name appears to be derived from its colour, which has considerable resemblance to that of the liver.

FIFTH



## FIFTH SPECIES.

Cinnabar.

Zinnober.

Of this species, there are two subspecies. 1. Dark red Cinnabar. 2. Bright red Cinnabar.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Dark-red Cinnabar.

Dunkel-rother Zinnober.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 8.—*Id. Wid.* f. 728.—Dark red Cinnabar, *Kirw.* v. ii. p. 228.—Dunkelrother Zinnober, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 290.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 144.—Le Cinnabre d'un rouge fonce, ou le Cinnabre commun, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 107.—Merçure sulphuré, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 437.—Dunkel-rother Zinnober, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 287.

*External Characters.*

Its principal colour is perfect cochineal red, which in some varieties falls strongly into lead-grey; in others passes into carmine red.

Besides massive, disseminated, in blunt-cornered pieces, in membranes, amorphous, dendritic, and fruticose, it occurs also crystallized. Its crystallizations are the following:

1. Rather



1. Rather obtuse rhomb, truncated on the two diagonally opposite obtuse angles.
2. Six-sided table, which is formed by the increase of the truncating planes of the preceding figure.
3. Regular six-sided prism, either perfect, or acuminate by three prisms, which are set on the alternate lateral planes.
4. Three-sided pyramid, either double or single, and in which the angles are sometimes more or less deeply truncated.
5. Octahedron, or double four-sided pyramid, which sometimes terminates in a line. It is formed from the single three-sided pyramid, by the truncating planes of the angles increasing till they meet.

The crystals are small, and very small; occur in druses, on one another, side by side, and promiscuous.

Externally the crystals are splendid.

Internally it is shining, which, according to the differences in the fracture, passes into glistening, and sometimes into glimmering, with an adamantine, verging on semimetallic lustre.

Fracture sometimes fine-grained uneven, sometimes even and conchoidal. It occurs also more or less perfect foliated, with a twofold obliquely intersecting cleavage\*.

Fragments

\* The foliated varieties have the strongest lustre.



Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

The foliated varieties present small and fine, seldom coarse granular distinct concretions; the fine granular passes into even and conchoidal. One variety appears to pass into flaty.

The massive is opaque, or translucent on the edges; the crystals are translucent, sometimes semitransparent, and even verging on transparent.

Yields a scarlet-red shining streak.

Is very soft, passing into soft.

Seftile.

Easily frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, from Deux Ponts, according to *Kirwan*, 7.786; from Almadin, according to *Briffon*, 6.9022; crystallized, from the same place, also by *Briffon*, 10.2185.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

##### From Deux Ponts.

Mercury,	81.
Sulphur,	15.2
Iron,	4.7
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##### *Lampadius.*

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it is completely volatilized; giving a blue flame, and a smoke which has the odour of sulphur.

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For Geognostic and Geographic Situations, see the following subspecies.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Bright Red Cinnabar.

Hochrother Zinnober.

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 11.—*Id. Wid.* f. 727.—*Id. Estner,* 3. b. f. 297.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 146.—Le Cinnabre d'un rouge vif, ou le Cinnabre fibreux, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 111.—Mercure sulphuré rouge vif, *Haüy,* t. 3. p. 440.—Lichtrother Zinnober, *Reufs,* 3. b. f. 293.

*External Characters.*

Colour bright scarlet-red.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally glimmering; cross-fracture dull.

Fracture intermediate between earthy and fibrous; cross-fracture earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

It is opaque.

Streak shining.

Soils.

Is very soft, passing into friable.

Sectile.

Very easily frangible.

Heavy, inclining to uncommonly heavy.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

Werner has ascertained two formations of this species: *The first* occurs in beds in primitive mountains, in rocks of clay-slate, talc-slate, and chlorite-slate, and is accompanied with quartz, calc-spar, sparry ironstone, and a little iron pyrites, copper pyrites, iron-glance, and iron-mica. *The second*, which is the most extensive and frequent, occurs in the independent coal formation.

*Geographic Situation.***Dark Red Cinnabar.**

The dark red occurs at Horfowitz in Bohemia, accompanied with red ironstone, sparry ironstone, iron-pyrites, compact and ochrey brown ironstone, yellow blende, and straight lamellar heavy spar; at Friaul in Idria, in the independent coal formation; Rosenau in Upper Hungary, in clay-slate, chlorite-slate, and talc-slate; Schemnitz, and Kremnitz in Lower Hungary; Dombrowa, Ampoya, Baboya near Zalathna in Transilvania; Carinthia; Leogang and Salfenberg in Salzburg; Wolfstein and Morsfeld in the Palatinate; Mochellandsberg, Stahlberg, and Waldgreweiler in Deux Ponts; Nassau; Darmstadt; Upper Palatinate; Hartenstein in Saxony; Silvena in Tuscany; St Arei, and the canton of Lamure in France; Almadin in Spain, in the independent coal



coal formation ; also at Almadeneyos, Quadalpe-  
ral, las Cuebas, &c. in Spain.

*Asia.*—Nertschinsk in Siberia ; on the peninsula  
of Taigonos, at the mouth of the stream Topo-  
leska in Kamtschatka ; and in Japan.

*America.*—Near the city of Guancavelica in  
Peru.

#### Bright Red Cinnabar.

The bright red cinnabar is found along with  
ochrey, compact and fibrous brown ironstone, and  
dark red cinnabar ; does not occur so abundantly  
as the dark red, and is found principally in the  
mercury mines of the Palatinate. It is said also  
to be found at Schemnitz in Lower Hungary ;  
Friaul in Idria ; Carniola ; Almaden in Spain ;  
Leogang, in Salzburg ; and the Brunnalpe in  
the valley of Brixen.

Mercury belongs to the rarer metals. There  
are many countries where it does not occur, as  
Norway, Sweden, Great Britain and Ireland. In  
Russia it exists in but small quantity. It is found  
in considerable quantity in Germany ; but the most  
important mercury mines are those of Almadin  
in Spain, which have been worked upwards of  
two thousand years.

#### Use.

It is the ore from which the greatest quantity of  
the mercury of commerce is obtained. It is also  
used by the painter as a pigment ; but artifi-  
cial cinnabar, on account of the purity and bright-  
ness



ness of its colour, is preferred. It is also used for tinting wax of a red colour.

*Observations.*

Estner mentions a mineral which he calls Stink-zinnober; and other mineralogists give accounts of a Mineral Æthiops and a Red Oxide of Mercury: but all these are too imperfectly described to be admitted into a system of oryctognosy; therefore they are not acknowledged by Werner.

FOURTH GENUS.

SILVER GENUS.

FIRST SPECIES.

Native Silver.

Gediegen Silber.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into two subspecies:  
1. Common Native Silver. 2. Goldish or Auriferous Native Silver.

FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Common Native Silver.

Gemeines gediegen Silber.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 12.—*Id. Estner.* 3. b. f. 319.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 156.—*L'Argent natif ordinaire, Broch.* t. 2. p. 116.—*Argent natif, Haüy,* t. 3. p. 384.—*Gediegen Silber, Reufs,* 3. b. f. 310.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour pure silver-white; but its surface, by exposure to the air, by which it absorbs sulphur, becomes yellowish-brown; sometimes also greyish-black.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in blunt-cornered pieces, in plates, and in membranes: it is said also to occur in Spanish America, in rolled pieces\*. Besides these, it presents the following particular and regular external shapes; dentiform, filiform, reticulated, in leaves, capillary, which latter, when it is very much entangled, passes into compact. The crystallizations are the following:

1. Cube.
2. Octahedron.
3. Rectangular four-sided prism.
4. Double six-sided pyramid, whose extremities are truncated.
5. Double three-sided pyramid, whose angles are truncated.
6. Hollow four-sided pyramid.

Its octahedrons are often obliquely aggregated in rows; its cubes often rectangularly aggregated, so as to form the reticulated external shape; and the pyramids are obliquely aggregated, and form the dendritic external shape.

## Crystals

\* In the Imperial Cabinet of minerals at Vienna, there is a rolled piece of native silver from Spanish America, which weighs upwards of 36 pounds.



Cryftals are small, very small and microscopic.

Surface of the cryftals is smooth; that of the particular fhapes longitudinally ftreaked; that of the external fhape in leaves is fometimes drufy, fometimes ftreaked.

The furface varies from fplendent to glimmering, according to the kind of furface; that of the cryftals being fplendent and fhining; of the particular and common external fhapes, gliftening and glimmering, with a metallic luftre.

Fracture fine hackly.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Streak is fplendent with metallic luftre.

Soft.

Perfectly malleable.

Common flexible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 10.000 *Gellert.*

10.333 *Selb.*

But it varies confiderably according to its intermixture with other fubftances.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Is folvable in nitric acid at the common temperature of the atmosphere, but the fulphuric acid does not act on it until heated. It is precipitated from its folution in nitric acid by muriatic acid; and the precipitate, which is *luna cornea*, is infoluble in water: if a plate of copper be immerfed in a folution of nitrat of filver, the filver

is



is deposited, in its metallic state, on the surface of the copper.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It appears to be peculiar to the newer primitive rocks, where it occurs in veins, and is usually accompanied with heavy-spar, and quartz. It occurs also in floetz rocks. The dentiform, filiform, and capillary, appear to belong to an older formation than the dendritic. It occurs accompanied with a considerable variety of minerals, as appears from the following account.

The native silver of Mexico occurs in a fine-grained quartz, which is sometimes mixed with heavy-spar and calc-spar, and is accompanied with yellow blende, cobalt-crust, silver-glance, corneous silver-ore, and copper-green.

The native silver of Peru, according to Helms, is accompanied with a considerable variety of minerals. The following instances are from his *Tagebuch einer Reise durch Peru*. In the mining district of Guantajaya in the province of Arica, it is found sometimes in brown-spar, sometimes in quartz, with silver-glance, corneous silver-ore, sparry ironstone, and arsenical pyrites; at Lauricocha, two German miles from Pasco, in the province of Tarma, it is found disseminated in brown ironstone; in the *Subdelegatio Guanta*, in the province of Guamanga, in calc-spar, with silver-glance, lead-glance, arsenical pyrites, radiated iron-pyrites,  
yellow



yellow blende, red manganese-ore, quartz, and fluor-spar; in the mining district of Chanca in calc-spar, with silver-glance, red silver-ore, and iron-pyrites. In the province of Potosi, in the kingdom of Plata, it occurs in iron-shot quartz, with corneous silver-ore and earthy copper-azure.

The native silver of Kongberg in Norway, is found principally in veins that traverse beds of hornblende-slate, which lie in mica-slate. It is there accompanied with calc-spar, fluor-spar, silver-glance, blende, copper and iron pyrites, lead-glance, cobalt-crust, cobalt-glance, white and grey cobalt-ores and copper-green.

In Greenland, it is said to occur disseminated in compact magnetic ironstone.

The native silver of Freyberg, in the electorate of Saxony, is found in heavy-spar and brown-spar, accompanied with silver-glance, copper-nickel, blende, iron-pyrites and native arsenic, in veins that traverse gneiss; at Johanngeorgenstadt, in the same country, it occurs with blende, lead-glance, reticulated cobalt-glance, cobalt-crust and liver-pyrites, in jasper, agate, flint, &c. in veins that traverse mica-slate.

The native silver of Chalanches in Dauphiny is accompanied with earthy cobalt-ochre, cobalt-crust and nickel-ochre.

The Bohemian native silver occurs in brown spar, quartz which is sometimes mixed with calc-



spar, in massive and crystallized amethyst, and is accompanied with liver, radiated and common iron-pyrites, lead-glance, blende, cobalt, silver-glance, nickel and nickel-ochre, sparry ironstone, &c.

The *saalband*, or rock which forms the walls of the veins, is often impregnated with native silver: of this we have striking examples at Johanngeorgenstadt, Kongsberg, Schlangenberg in Siberia, and Joachimsthal in Bohemia.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

*Europe.*—It is found in different places in Bohemia; at Triefsch in Moravia; Annaberg in Lower Austria; Schemnitz in Lower Hungary; Nagy-banya in Upper Hungary; at Kapnic, &c. in Transilvania; Saska, in the Bannat; many places in the metalliferous mountains of the electorate of Saxony; Nassau; Stahlberg and Saalberg, in Deux Ponts; Suabia; Rudelstadt in Silesia; Vogelhalt in Schwarzleogang, in Salzburg; Andreasberg in the Harz; in Alsace, and the mountains of Dauphiny in France; at Hur-gorland in Cornwall, and, it is said, formerly in the island of Iffa, one of the Hebrides; Kongsberg in Norway.

*Asia.*—Kolywan and Nertschinskoi, in Siberia; and island of Java.

*America.*—In Mexico, Peru, La Plata and Chili. In some of the above-mentioned places, silver  
has



has been found in considerable masses. Thus we are told, that in the year 1750, there was found in the famous mine of Himmelsfürst, near Freyberg in Saxony, a mass of native silver, which weighed one hundredweight and a quarter: in 1771, an equally large mass was found. It is also mentioned by Albini, in his "Meißnische Berg-chronicke," p. 30. that at Schneeberg, in 1478, a rich silver vein was discovered, and so large a block of native silver and ore cut out, that Duke Albert of Saxony descended into the mine, and used this huge block, which smelted four hundred centners of silver, (centner is 110 pounds,) as a table to dine on.

The greatest quantity of silver which is found in Europe, is raised from the mines of the electorate of Saxony, those at Joachimsthal in Bohemia, and the Black Forest (Schwarzwald) in Suabia. The mines of Kongsberg, which formerly delivered a considerable quantity of silver, are now become so poor, that they have been lately abandoned.

Spain formerly furnished very great quantities of silver. The Carthaginians having succeeded to the Phenicians in the principal maritime commerce of the world, immense riches flowed into their country. One of the principal sources of their opulence, was the celebrated silver-mines which they possessed in Spain. The most considerable were those near Carthagera. These were  
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of argentiferous or silverish lead-glance. We are told, that one of them afforded to Annibal a daily return of 300 pounds weight of silver; which was a most prodigious sum, particularly in those times, when the precious metals, from their scarcity, were so highly valued. It was from this source that the Carthaginians drew those treasures, which enabled them to support the famous Punic wars.

In Asia it has been hitherto found only in small quantity.

The greatest quantity is raised from the mines of Mexico and Peru, and, notwithstanding the most wretched system of mining, their produce has not been sensibly diminished. Gold and silver appear to be as plentiful in the wonderful regions of Peru and Mexico, as iron in other countries.

#### *Use.*

Its uses in coinage, and in numerous other useful and ornamental works, are well known. Certain preparations of it are also used in medicine.

#### *Observations.*

Native silver is distinguished from antimonial silver and native antimony, by fracture and tenacity; it has a hackly fracture, and is completely malleable, but they have a foliated fracture, and are brittle.

SECOND



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Goldish or Auriferous Native Silver.

## Guldifches gediegen Silber.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 12.—*Id. Estner*, 3. b. f. 315.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 154.—*L'Argent natif aurifere*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 114.—*Guldifch Silber*, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 322.

*External Characters.*

Colour is intermediate between silver-white and brass-yellow.

Occurs disseminated, in membranes, which are pretty thick, passing into plates; capillary, and in leaves.

Its specific gravity, on account of the quantity of gold which it contains, is greater than that of common native silver.

In other characters, it agrees with the preceding subspecies.

*Constituent Parts.*

It is an alloy of silver and gold, which latter is often in very considerable quantity.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found at Kongsberg in Norway; Schlangenberg in Siberia. It is said also to occur in Salzburg.

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That of Kongsberg is found, in general, in massive calc-spar, with rock-crystal, fluor-spar, lead-glance, blende, copper-pyrites and iron-pyrites in veins, that traverse hornblende-flate.

That found at Schlangenberg occurs sometimes on granular heavy-spar, with membranous silver or copper-glance, and copper-pyrites, sometimes on ash grey-coloured splintery quartz.

*Observations.*

1. This subspecies is very rare.
2. We have an uninterrupted transition from common native silver to native gold; and in this transition series, the goldish silver holds the middle place.

SECOND SPECIES.

Antimonial Silver.

Spiegelglas Silber.—*Werner.*

Mine d'Argent blanche antimoniale, *Rom. d. L. t. i. p. 460.*  
 —Antimonialisch gediegen Silber, *Wid. f. 684.*—Antimoni-  
 ated native Silver, *Kirw. v. ii. p. 110.*—Spies-glance Silber,  
*Estner, 3. b. f. 337.*—*Id. Emm. 2. b. f. 162.*—Argent anti-  
 monial, *Broch. t. 2 p. 119.*—*Id. Haüy, t. 3. p. 391.*—Spies-  
 glance Silber, *Reufs. 3. b. f. 325.*

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour is intermediate between silver-white and tin-white; sometimes inclining more to the one, sometimes more to the other, yet in general more to the first.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and crystallized. Its crystallizations are,

1. Rather oblique four-sided prism.
2. Perfect six-sided prism; sometimes truncated on all the edges; so that it assumes a roundish aspect.
3. Six-sided table.
4. Cube, which is rarely perfect, usually truncated on one or more of its angles.
5. Very acute six-sided pyramid.

Surface of the prisms is usually longitudinally streaked; the surface of the other figures is smooth.

Externally glistening, sometimes only glimmering.

Internally shining and splendid, with a metallic lustre.

Fracture perfect foliated, but the number and direction of the cleavages hitherto unascertained.

Occurs in coarse, small and fine granular distinct concretions.

Sectile.

Not particularly difficultly frangible.

Soft.



Soft.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 9.4406, *Haüy*.—10,000, *Selb.*

*Chemical Characters.*

Heated on charcoal before the blow-pipe, the antimony is volatilized with the odour which is peculiar to it, and there remains a mass of silver, surrounded with a brown slag, which colours borax green.

*Constituent Parts.*

Silver,	89	78	75.25
Antimony,	11	22	24.75
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According to <i>Selb.</i>	100	100	<i>Vauquelin.</i> 100.0 <i>Abich.</i>
Silver,	80.2	84	
Antimony,	19.8	16	
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Accord. to <i>Haüy's</i>	100.0	100	The variety in fine granular distinct concretions, according to <i>Klaproth's</i> analysis.
calculation.			
Silver,	76		
Antimony,	24		
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	100		The variety in coarse granular distinct concretions, according to <i>Klaproth's</i> analysis.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in veins which are composed of calc-spar, heavy-spar, and rarely a little fluor-spar, and is accompanied with lead-glance, native silver, feldomer



seldomer with iron-pyrites, brown-blende, and fahl-ore.

It is found at Kafalla near Guadalcanal in Spain; at Vittichen and at Altwolfach in the principality Fürstenberg; at Andreasberg in the Hartz. It is said also to have been found at the Rathhausberg in Gastein, and the Goldberg in Rauris in Salzburg.

*Observations.*

It is distinguished from native silver by its brittleness and a foliated fracture; from white cobalt-ore by its fracture, it having a foliated, whereas cobalt-ore has a coarse and fine-grained uneven fracture; from arsenical pyrites in fracture and hardness, the pyrites having a fine-grained uneven fracture, and giving sparks with steel.

THIRD SPECIES.

Arsenical Silver.

Arfenicfilber.—*Werner.*

*Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 28.—Argent arsenical, *D. B. t.* 2. p. 417.—Arsenikalisch gediegen Silber, *Wid. f.* 687.—Arsenicated native Silver, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 111.—Arfenicfilber, *Esfner,* 3. b. f. 342.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 165.—L'Argent arsenical, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 122.—Argent antimonial arsenifere et ferrifere, *Haüy,* t. 3. p. 398.

*External Characters.*

Colour tin-white, which passes into silver-white, and verges on light lead-grey.

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It is always more or less tarnished with a blackish colour.

Occurs massive, disseminated, small reniform, and globular.

*Reufs* mentions the following crystallizations:

1. Compressed six-sided prism, with roundish lateral edges.
2. Simple, very acute, six-sided pyramid, having pretty deeply truncated extremities.

Internally from shining to glistening, which borders on glimmering, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture more or less perfect small and fine foliated\*.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Occurs in small and fine granular distinct concretions; also in thin and curved lamellar distinct concretions, which are bent according to the external surface.

Is soft, passing into semihard.

Lustre is increased in the streak.

Secile, slightly inclining to brittle.

Not particularly difficultly frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe the arsenic and antimony are volatilized, and emit a garlike smell; a globule of silver remains, which is more or less pure.

*Constituent*

\* Fracture said sometimes to be even.



*Constituent Parts.*

According to the analysis of *Klaproth*, that from the mine Samson at Andreasberg affords

Arsenic,	35.0
Iron,	44.25
Silver,	12.75
Antimony,	7.
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	99.0

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs usually with native arsenic, dark-red silver-ore, brittle silver-glance, lead-glance, and brown blende, in massive white calc-spar. It is found in the Hartz, at Altwolfach in the principality of Fürstenberg in Swabia, and at Guadalcanal and Kafalla in Spain.

*Observations.*

1. It does not tarnish so quickly as native arsenic, and its colour is lighter than that of arsenic.
2. It passes on the one side into native arsenic, on the other into native silver.
3. It is a rare mineral.

FOURTH



## FOURTH SPECIES.

Corneous Silver-Ore, or Horn-Ore.

Hornerz.—*Werner*.

Minera Argenti cornea, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 331.—Argent corné, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 463.—*Id. De Born.* t. 2. p. 420.—Hornerz, *Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 29.—*Id. Wid.* f. 691.—Corneous Silver-Ore, *Kirap.* vol. ii. p. 113.—Hornerz, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 348.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 168.—Argent corné, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 130.—La Mine cornée, ou L'Argent corné ou muriaté, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 127.—Argent muriaté, *Hauy*, t. 3. p. 418, 422.—Hornerz, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 330.

*External Characters.*

Its most frequent colour is pearl-grey, of all degrees of intensity, which borders sometimes on milk-white, and sometimes approaches to lavender and violet-blue. Also, although rare, it is leek-green, which inclines sometimes to mountain-green, sometimes to pistachio-green.

It acquires a brownish tarnish, or changes its colour, and becomes darker.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in thick membranes, in roundish hollow balls, which have a drusy surface, and are sometimes filled with silver-black: also crystallized,

1. In cubes;
2. In acicular and capillary crystals, which are very rare.

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The crystals are either imbedded, superimposed, scalarwise aggregated, or are so aggregated that they form drusy envelopes (drusenhäutchen); and they are small, and very small.

Surface of the crystals is smooth; sometimes the lateral planes are pitted or marked with small hollows.

Externally shining, inclining to splendid.

Internally it is from shining to glistening, with a resinous lustre. (By long exposure the lustre disappears.)

Fracture is intermediate between imperfect flat conchoidal, and fined-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Is more or less translucent, passing into translucent on the edges.

Streak shining.

Soft, passing into very soft.

Slightly common flexible.

Perfectly malleable.

Not particularly difficultly frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.804, *Gellert*; 4.7488, *Brisson*; 4.748, *Haüy*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Heated on charcoal before the blow-pipe, it melts quickly, disengages a disagreeable odour, and  
leaves



leaves a globule of silver; it is even fusible by the flame of a candle.

*Constituent Parts.*

Silver,	67.75
Muriatic acid,	21.0
Sulphuric acid,	0.25
Oxide of iron,	6.0
Alumina,	1.75
Lime,	0.25
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According to *Klaproth*, 1. b. f. 134.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs always in veins, and usually in their upper part,—a proof of the newness of its formation. It is usually accompanied with brown iron-ochre; often also with silver-glance and silver-black, but seldom with native silver, red silver-ore, lead-glance, quartz and heavy-spar.

At Annaberg in Austria, it was formerly found along with fibrous malachite, copper-green, massive and crystallized copper-azure, and silver-black, in compact limestone; at Schemnitz in Hungary, it occurs in massive quartz, accompanied with fibrous malachite, silver-black and white lead-ore: the Saxon occurs in veins that traverse mica-slate, in brown iron-ochre and iron-shot quartz, accompanied with native silver, silver-glance, silver-black, red silver-ore and lead-glance. In the mountain of Chalanches, it was found in calc-spar, accompanied



panied with silver-glance, native silver, silver-black, feldspar in earthy cobalt-ochre, with red silver-ore and native silver. The Siberian from Schlangenberg occurs sometimes on compact limestone, sometimes on sandstone, accompanied with tile-ore, native silver, goldish silver, fibrous malachite, earthy copper-azure and white lead-ore. The Mexican is accompanied with native silver and silver-glance; the Peruvian from the mountain of Colquijirka in hornstone, accompanied with fahl-ore, iron-pyrites, silver-glance, lead-glance, white lead-ore and heavy-spar; from Guantajaga in the same country, in calc-spar and brown-spar, with native silver and copper-green. The Cornish occurs in small cubes on iron-ochre\*.

*Geographic Situation.*

*Europe.*—At Joachimsthal and Gottesgab in Bohemia; Oberschöna, Marienberg, and at present in Johanngeorgenstadt, in the Saxon Erzgebirge; Schemnitz, in Lower Hungary; Chalanches near Allemont, Markirchen in Alsace in France; Guadalcanal in Spain; very rarely at Kongsberg in Norway; and Cornwall in England.

*Asia.*—In the mines of Schlangenberg in the district of Koliwan, in Siberia.

*America.*—Cuexnabaca in Mexico; at Guantajaga, on the borders of the Pacific Ocean, in the kingdom

\* Babington's New System of Mineralogy, p. 151.



kingdom of Peru; and at Colquijirka, two miles from Pasca in Chili.

*Observations.*

1. Estner, Brochant, Reufs, &c. describe a subspecies of horn-ore, under the name of *Erdiges Hornerz*, but it is not acknowledged by Werner.

2. Its name appears to be derived from its property of cutting like horn.

3. The name *Horn-Ore* is probably to be preferred to the more usual one, Corneous Silver-Ore, because it is equally significant, and is much shorter.

FIFTH SPECIES.

Silver-black.

Silberfchwärze.—*Werner.*

Silberfchwärze, *Wid.* f. 694.—Sooty Silver-Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 117.—Silberfchwärze, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 365.—*Id.* *Emm.* 2. b. f. 173.—L'Argent noir, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 132.—Silberfchwärze, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 338.

*External Characters.*

Colour bluish-black, which inclines a little to dark lead-grey.

Occurs massive, disseminated, as a coating or crust, corroded, perforated, amorphous, and filling up the globular horn-ore.

It occurs in all the degrees of consistence, from friable to solid.

Internally



Internally dull, passing into feeble metallic glimmering.

When friable, it presents dull dusty particles, but, when solid, its fracture is fine earthy, which inclines to uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Is weakly translucent.

Is very soft, sometimes passes into soft, sometimes into friable.

Gives a metallic shining streak, which is characteristic for this species.

Soils very little.

Easily frangible.

Sectile.

Heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Melts easily before the blow-pipe, and by a stronger heat is converted into a slaggy mass: by gradual heating, the sulphur, and probably a little arsenic and muriatic acid is volatilized, and a dull globule of silver remains.—*Reufs.*

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Are still imperfectly known. It appears to be a compound of silver, with sulphuric and muriatic acids, in which the sulphuric acid predominates. It thus connects together horn-ore and silver-glance.



*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins, and is usually accompanied with silver-glance and horn-ore, also with brittle silver-glance, brown iron-ochre, native silver and heavy-spar.

The silver-black from Windischleithen at Schemnitz in Hungary, occurs with iron-ochre, silver-glance, iron-shot quartz, malachite, and white lead-ore; from the Theresia Schacht near Schemnitz, in iron-shot quartz with malachite; at Kremnitz with native gold, amethyst, and silver-glance; at Kapnik in quartz, with lead-glance, and brittle silver-glance; in the mountains of Chalanques with native silver, earthy-cobalt ochre, cobalt-crust, nickel ochre, and calc-spar; at Schlangenberg in Siberia it occurs along with other ores of silver, on quartz and hornstone\*; at Kongberg in Norway, in the mine called Hülfs Gottes in der Noth on calc-spar; and in that called Auf Got allein die Ehre, disseminated in quartz †.

*Geographic Situation.*

At Joachimsthal in Bohemia; Schemnitz, Kremnitz and Nagybanya in Hungary; Kapnik in Transilvania; Oberschöna near Freyberg, Johannegeorgenstadt, Katharina at Raschau, and Marienberg, in the electorate of Saxony; Chalanques, near Allemont in Dauphiny; Kongberg in Norway; and Schlangenberg in Siberia.

*Observations.*

\* *Estner*, 3. b. f. 336,—368.

† *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 341.



*Observations.*

1. Some mineralogists consider this species as decomposed horn-ore, but Werner is of opinion that it is an original deposition.

2. It has been also asserted, that when it occurs along with other ores of silver, it is always the newest. This observation, however, is incorrect, as we often find it covered with horn-ore.

3. Its name intimates, that it has a black colour, and is principally composed of silver. I use *Silver-black* in preference to *Sooty Silver-ore*, the name applied to this species by Kirwan, in order not only to preserve uniformity in the nomenclature, but because it is more correct.

4. The name *Silver-black* is not more objectionable than Mountain Green, Mountain Blue, Iron-Earth, Iron-Sand, Cobalt Bloom, &c. denominations applied to mineral species by the best English mineralogists.

## SIXTH SPECIES.

## Silver-Glance.

Glaserz.—*Werner.*

Minera Argenti vitrea, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 329.—Mine d'Argent vitreuse, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 440.—Argent vitreuse, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 424.—Glaserz, *Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 33.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 696.—Sulphurated Silver-Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 115.—Geschmeidiges Silberglanserz, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 370.—Glaserz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 175.—Argent vitreuse, *Lam* t. 1. p. 120.—*Id.* *Broch.* t. 2. p. 134.—Argent sulfuré, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 398, —402.—Glanzerz, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 342.

... *External*



*External Characters.*

Colour dark blackish lead-grey. On exposure, its surface acquires a tempered-steel coloured tarnish.

Occurs usually massive, disseminated, in membranes, and seldom in plates; also in several particular external shapes, as dentiform, filiform, capillary, reticulated, irregular dendritic, stalactitic, in leaves, with globular and pyramidal impressions, corroded and amorphous; also crystallized. Its crystallizations are the following:

1. Cube, which is either perfect or truncated on its edges or angles, or on both at the same time.
2. Octahedron, which is the fundamental crystal. It is either perfect or truncated on its angles or edges. When the edges of the common basis are very deeply truncated, it passes into the rectangular four-sided prism, acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes.
3. Garnet dodecahedron, which is formed from the cube or the octahedron, by the truncation of their edges. Its edges are sometimes truncated.
4. Double eight-sided pyramid, flatly acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the alternate lateral edges. It is formed



formed by the acumination of each of the angles of the octahedron with four planes.

The two last-mentioned crystallizations are very rare.

Crystals seldom middle-sized; usually small and very small; superimposed, or aggregated in rows. The octahedron is usually aggregated in rows, but the other crystallizations usually superimposed. The cubes are sometimes hollow.

Surface of the crystals is sometimes smooth, sometimes drusy.

Externally shining and glistening, and when drusy, faintly glimmering.

Internally it alternates from shining to glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture commonly small-grained uneven; sometimes it inclines to imperfect small and flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Streak shining.

Is soft.

Completely malleable.

Common flexible.

Difficultly frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 7.215, Gellert; 7.200, Lammetherie; 6.9099, Briffon.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it loses its sulphur, and the silver is reduced to its metallic state. If heated gently in a furnace, the sulphur dissipates, and the silver appears in its metallic state, in dendritic and capillary forms, resembling native silver.

*Constituent Parts.*

<i>From Himmelsfürst.</i>		<i>From Joachimsthal.</i>	
Silver,	85	Silver,	84.81
Sulphur,	15	Sulphur,	14.19
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	100		99.0
<i>Klaproth.</i>		<i>Klaproth.</i>	
Silver,	84	Silver,	75
Sulphur,	16	Sulphur,	25
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	100		100
<i>Sage.</i>		<i>Bergman.</i>	

*Geognostic Situation.*

Is always found in veins, and is usually accompanied with native silver, red silver-ore, horn-ore or corneous silver-ore, brittle silver-glance, lead-glance, iron-pyrites, sparry ironstone, iron-ochre, brown-blende, brown-spar, heavy-spar, calc-spar and quartz.

At Schemnitz in Hungary it occurs in a variety of forms on common quartz, amethyst, and brown spar, accompanied with native silver, brittle silver-glance, copper-pyrites, lead-glance, yellow blende, common, radiated and liver pyrites, brown and calc



calc spar, earthy lithomarge, and very rarely native gold; at Annaberg in Austria it has been found massive, in membranes, on smoke-grey compact limestone; at Kongsberg in Norway it is found in the Justitz Mine, accompanied with native silver, or disseminated in calc-spar, or as a coating; in the Gleichen and Herzog Ulrick Mine in quartz, verging on rock-crystal, flate-spar, or in axinite; in the mine called Gotts Hülfe in der Noth, between crystals of iron-pyrites and on calc-spar.

The Peruvian occurs in quartz with native silver; or in calc-spar with arsenical pyrites, lead-glance, and radiated iron-pyrites.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

At Joachimsthal, Gottesgab, Weiperth, Aberdam, Rostock, Prisbram, Ratieborzite, and Jungwofchitz in Bohemia; Lower Austria; Schemnitz and Kremnitz in Hungary; Freyberg, Johanngeorgenstadt, Schneeberg, and Annaberg in the electorate of Saxony; near Wittichen, Altwolfach, and Reinerzau in Swabia; Chalanches, near Allemont in Dauphiny; and Markirchen in Alsace in France; Kongsberg in Norway; Schlangenberg in Siberia; Mexico and Peru in America.

#### *Observations.*

- I. The literal translation of the German name *Glaserz* is *Silver-glass*. As the term *glaserz* is evidently



evidently a corruption of *Glanzerz*, I have ventured to give this species the name *Silver-glance*, (*Silberglanz*), a name which ought also to be adopted in the German, to preserve uniformity and consistency in the nomenclature.

2. The common name *Vitreous Silver-ore*, as it conveys an erroneous meaning, should be rejected.

### SEVENTH SPECIES.

Brittle Silver-Glance.

Sprödglaserz.—*Werner*.

*Argent fragile*, *De Born*. t. 2. p. 429.—*Sprödglaserz*, *Wid.* f. 669.—*Id. Werner's* Pab. 1. b. f. 41.—*Sprödes Silberglanzerz*, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 398.—*Sprödglaserz*, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 180.—*L'Argent vitrieux aigre*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 138.—*Argent noire*, *Hauy*, t. 3. p. 416.—*Sprödglanzerz*, *Reuss*, 3. b. f. 351.

### External Characters.

Its colour is intermediate between iron-black and dark lead-grey.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in membranes, and very often crystallized. Its crystallizations are the following:

1. Equiangular six-sided prism, with straight, or convex terminal planes.

2. Same prism acuminate by six planes, which are set on the lateral planes, and the extremities of the acuminations sometimes very deeply truncated.

3. When



3. When the figure No. 1. becomes very short, it passes into the equiangular six-sided table.
4. When the convex terminal planes of the prism meet the lens, is formed
5. Rectangular four-sided table, truncated on the angles and edges\*.

The tabular crystals often intersect one another, and thus form the cellular external shape; and sometimes they are superimposed. They are seldom middle-sized, usually small, and very small, and even microscopic.

The lateral planes, particularly of the prism, are longitudinally streaked; in the other figures the planes are sometimes smooth, sometimes drusy.

Externally it is highly splendid, and sometimes uncommonly so.

Internally it alternates from shining to glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture usually coarse or fine-grained uneven; but that of the crystals is more or less imperfect and small conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

In the streak it retains its colour and lustre.

Is soft.

Brittle, which is a principal character.

Easily frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 7.208.—*Gellert.*

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*Chemical*

\* Probably the three-sided pyramid occurs in this species?



*Chemical Characters.*

Heated on charcoal before the blow-pipe, it melts with difficulty, and the sulphur, arsenic and antimony, are in part volatilized. A globule of imperfectly malleable silver, accompanied with a brown scoria, remains behind.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to Klaproth, the brittle silver-glance from the mine Hoffnung Gottes in Groß-Voightsbberg near Freyberg, affords

Silver,	66.50
Sulphur,	12.
Antimony,	10.
Iron,	5.
Copper and arsenic,	0.50
Earthy substances,	1.
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*Klaproth, Beiträge, 1. b. f. 166.*

*Geognostic Situation.*

Is always found in veins, and usually accompanied with dark red silver-ore, lead-glance, and white silver-ore, into which it sometimes passes.

It is found principally in Hungary and Saxony, but is more rare than the preceding species. In the mines of Chemnitz, it occurs with common quartz, amethyst and brown-spar, accompanied with silver-glance, copper-glance, lead-glance, iron-pyrites, brown and black blende, dark red silver-



silver-ore, very seldom light red cinnabar and native gold, calc-spar, brown-spar and calcedony. In the mines of Kremnitz it is usually found on quartz mixed with brown-spar, and amethyst, accompanied with iron and copper pyrites, dark red silver-ore, seldom with native gold. The Saxon brittle silver-ore occurs usually accompanied with red silver-ore, copper and iron pyrites, sparry ironstone, brown and black blende, glance-cobalt, plumose grey antimony-ore, quartz, brown-spar, calc-spar, and fluor-spar. The Bohemian at Joachimsthal is accompanied with dark red silver-ore, liver-pyrites, calc-spar, and brown-spar. The lens occurs along with dentiform native silver in the mine called Seegen Gottes at Kongsberg. The Siberian is accompanied with granular heavy spar, copper-pyrites, copper-azure, and brown blende.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

At Joachimsthal, Pribram, and Ratieborzitz in Bohemia; Schemnitz and Kremnitz in Hungary; Boitza in Transilvania; Himmelsfürst near Freyberg, Schneeberg, Johannegeorgenstadt, Oberwiesenthal, and Annaberg, in the electorate of Saxony; Altwolfach in Fürstenberg in Swabia; Gemesek in Hewbachthale, Schöfwande in Felberthale, in the Pinzgaw, in Salzburg; Claufthal and Andreasberg in the Hartz; Chalanches near Allmont



mont in Dauphiny in France; Kongsberg in Norway; Schlangenberg in Siberia; and Peru.

*Observation.*

It passes, by means of white silver-ore, grey antimony-ore, into native antimony?

*Use.*

It is one of the richest ores of silver.

EIGHTH SPECIES.

Red Silver-Ore.

This species is divided into two subspecies:  
1. Dark red Silver-Ore. 2. Light red Silver-Ore.

FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Dark red Silver Ore.

Dunkles Rothgiltigerz.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 45.—*Id. Wid.* f. 703.—Dark red Silver-Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 123. — Dunkles Rothgiltigerz, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 410.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 185.—L'Argent rouge foncé, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 143.—Argent antimonié sulphuré, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 402, 416.—Dunkles Rothgiltigerz, *Reuss*, 3. b. f. 358.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate, between cochineal-red.



red and lead-grey, which sometimes passes into iron-black.

Occurs massive, disseminated, dendritic, in membranes, and crystallized in the following figures,

1. Equiangular six-sided prism, which is either perfect, or its lateral edges are bevelled.
2. Equiangular six-sided prism acuminate by three planes, which are set on the alternate lateral edges.
3. Equiangular six-sided prism flatly acuminate by six planes, which are set on the lateral planes. The extremities of the acuminations are sometimes so deeply truncated, that the acuminating planes become truncations on the terminal edges; and the edges of the acuminations are sometimes truncated.
4. The preceding figure a second time acuminate by three planes, which are set on the alternate edges of the first acuminations.

Crystals are middle-sized, small, and rarely very small.

Their surface is sometimes streaked, often smooth.

Crystals occur often in druses.

Externally, splendent, with a lustre which is sometimes metallic, sometimes adamantine.

Internally it alternates from shining to glimmering, and has sometimes a metallic, sometimes a semimetallic lustre.

Fracture



Fracture usually coarse and fine-grained uneven, the crystallized varieties imperfect and small conchoidal, sometimes verging on even, and it is said that some varieties show an imperfect foliated fracture, but very rarely.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Massive varieties are opaque; crystallized semi-transparent passing into transparent; and sometimes only translucent.

Affords a cochineal-red coloured streak, and retains its lustre.

Is soft.

Sectional.

Easily frangible.

Heavy, approaching uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.608; 5.684, *Gellert*; 5.5637, *Briffon*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

On charcoal, before the blow-pipe, it flies into splinters, but soon melts with slight bubbling, and emission of a pretty copious smoke, which colours the coal and the blow-pipe yellow; and leaves a globule of silver.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs always in veins, and is usually accompanied with lead-glance, white silver-ore, brittle silver-glance, calc-spar and brown-spar.

The dark red silver-ore of Schemnitz occurs commonly



commonly with brittle silver-glance, and has usually the same accompanying minerals and vein-stones. At Kremnitz, it occurs usually on quartz and amethyst, accompanied with brittle silver-glance, iron and copper pyrites, and brown-spar, and sometimes with silver-glance and native gold; at Felsőbanya, it occurs on quartz and hornstone, accompanied with iron-pyrites, brown-blende, brittle silver-glance, and lead-glance; at Foghatgyamas, in quartz, with copper-pyrites, brittle silver-glance, lead-glance, brown spar and iron-ochre; at Boitza, in Transilvania, it occurs in quartz and brown spar, accompanied with iron-pyrites, yellow blende, lead-glance, brittle silver-glance, brown-spar, and amethyst; at Joachimsthal, in Bohemia, it occurs in liver-pyrites, or calc-spar, or quartz, and is accompanied with brittle silver-glance, &c.; at Ratiborzitz, on disintegrated gneiss or amethyst, with iron-pyrites, lead-glance, yellow blende, arsenical pyrites, brittle silver-glance, copper-pyrites, and brown-spar. The Saxon occurs almost always with brittle silver-glance. The dark red silver-ore of the Hartz occurs sometimes in lead-glance, with quartz, iron-pyrites, calc-spar, sometimes in quartz, with superimposed zeolite, sometimes with quartz and calc-spar, liver-pyrites, lead-glance, and native arsenic\*. At Kongsberg, it occurs in calc-spar, and lead-glance, and on quartz, accompanied with liver-pyrites, and common iron-pyrites.

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\*. *Esner*, Mineralogie, 3. b.



*Geographic Situation.*

Joachimsthal, and Ratiborzitz in Bohemia; Schemnitz, Kremnitz, Felsőbanya, Foghatgyas, in Hungary; Boitza and Nagybanya in Transilvania; Freyberg, Großvoigtsberg, Braunsdorf, in the electorate of Saxony; Andreasberg in the Hartz; and Kongberg in Norway.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Light red Silver-Ore,

Lichtes Rothgiltigerz.—*Werner.*

*Id. Werner, Pabst. 1. b. f. 52.—Id. Wid. f. 706.—Light red Silver-ore, Kirw. vol. ii. p. 122.—Lichtes Rothgiltigerz, Estner, 3. b. f. 426.—Id. Emm. 2. b. f. 190.—L'Argent rouge clair, Broch. t. 2. p. 147.—Argent antimonié sulphuré, Haüy.—Lichtes Rothgiltigerz, Reufs, 3. b. f. 365.*

*External Characters.*

Colour passes from carmine-red into a middle colour, between cochineal-red and lead-grey; sometimes it is very pale, and approaches light blood-red, and nearly passes into it.

Its surface has sometimes a tempered-steel tarnish.

Occurs massive, disseminated, frequently in membranes, reniform, and crystallized: its crystallizations are,

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1. A very acute single six-sided pyramid, having alternate obtuse and acute lateral edges.
2. Same figure acuminated by three planes, which are set on the obtuse edges of the pyramid.
3. Same figure acuminated by six planes, which are set on the lateral planes of the pyramid.
4. Also in acicular crystals.

Crystals are seldom middle-sized, usually small, and very small; and occur in druses. The surface of the crystals is usually smooth; sometimes obliquely streaked, and sometimes drusy, and is splendid.

Internally, it alternates from splendid to glistening, and has usually an adamantine lustre; the varieties that incline to the foregoing subspecies have a semimetallic lustre.

Fracture usually imperfect and small conchoidal, and sometimes it passes, on the one side, into coarse and small-grained uneven; on the other, into imperfect foliated, which latter has the greatest degree of lustre, and occurs only in the crystallized varieties.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty sharp-edged.

Massive varieties are usually translucent on the edges; the crystallized commonly transparent.

It yields an aurora red streak, with little change in lustre.

Is soft, passing into very soft.

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Scissile.



Sectile.

Uncommonly easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.443, *Gellert*; 5.5886, *Briffon*; 5.592, *Vauquelin*.

*Chemical Characters.*

On charcoal, before the blow-pipe, it melts, blackens, and burns with a blue flame like sulphur, diffusing a white smoke and a feeble garlic smell; and leaves a globule of nearly pure silver.—*Vauquelin*.

*Constituent Parts.*

From the mine, called Catharina Neufang, at Andreasberg.

Mine, called Churprinz Friedrich August, near Freyberg.

Silver,	60	62.
Antimony,	20.3	18.5
Sulphur,	14.7	14.2
Oxygen,	5.	5.3
<i>Klaproth.</i>	100.0	<i>Klaproth.</i> 100.0

*Vauquelin's 1st Analysis.*

2d Analysis.

Silver,	56.6748	54.2713
Antimony,	16.13	16.13
Sulphur,	15.0666	17.75
Oxygen,	12.1286	11.8487
	100	100

*Thenard's*



*Thenard's Analysis.*

## From Johanngeorgenstadt.

Oxide of Silver,	58.4	Silver,	61.
Oxide of Antimony,	23.5	Antimony,	19.
Sulphur,	16.	Sulphur,	11.1
—	—	Sulphuric acid,	7.0
97.9	—	Arsenic,	2.9
		<i>Lampadius,</i>	101

*Geognostic Situation.*

It always occurs in veins, and is usually accompanied with native arsenic, cobalt-glance, also with orpiment, and heavy-spar.

At Joachimsthal, in Bohemia, it is accompanied with silver-glance, brittle silver-glance, copper-pyrites, common iron-pyrites, white cobalt-ore, orpiment, sparry ironstone, brown-spar, calc-spar, heavy-spar and hornstone. In Saxony, it occurs almost always accompanied with native arsenic, silver-glance, lead-glance, calc-spar, brown-spar, lamellar heavy-spar and quartz; frequently also with native-silver, liver-pyrites, copper-pyrites, cobalt-glance, and sparry ironstone, and sometimes with brittle silver-ore, fahl-glance, and fluor-spar. In the Hartz, it occurs on quartz mixed with calc-spar, lead-glance, and native arsenic; sometimes also with calc-spar, quartz, and brown-spar. At Markirchen, in Alface, it was formerly found with quartz, brown-spar, native arsenic, lead-glance, copper-pyrites, and silver-glance. At Guadalcanal,

Guadalcanal,



Guadalcanal, in Spain, with arsenical silver and calc-spar\*.

In the district of Porco, twelve German miles from Potosi, light and dark red silver ore occur with native silver, blende, radiated and common iron-pyrites, in calc-spar and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

Bohemia; Schemnitz, Kremnitz and Konigsberg in Hungary; Himmelfürst and Kurprinz near Freyberg, Marienberg, Annaberg, Schneeberg, and Johanngeorgenstadt in the electorate of Saxony; Altwolfach, Wittichen in Fürstenberg in Swabia; Clausthal and Andreasberg in the Hartz; Markirchen in Alface; Guadalcanal in Spain; and in South America.

*Use.*

Both subspecies are smelted on account of the silver they contain. The dark red is considerably more productive than the light red ore.

*Observations.*

1. The light red silver-ore, as already mentioned, occurs usually with native arsenic, and cobalt-glance, also with orpiment and heavy-spar, but the dark, on the contrary, with lead-glance, white silver-ore, brittle silver-ore, quartz, calc-spar and iron-

\* *Efner*, Mineralogie, 3. b.



iron-pyrites. They are thus, by these geognostic characters, well distinguished from one another.

2. Werner is of opinion that there are several formations of this ore. The dark and light ores he considers as distinct formations; and the red silver-ore, which is accompanied with quartz and hornstone, he believes to be a distinct and peculiar formation.

3. In the Hartz and Hungary, it is principally the dark red silver-ore which occurs.

4. The colour of the streak distinguishes the two subspecies from one another: the dark red affords a cochineal or brick-red coloured streak, but the light red ore, an aurora coloured streak.

5. Red silver-ore, cinnabar, and red copper-ore, have several characters in common: the following, however, sufficiently distinguish them from one another.

Cinnabar has a specific gravity of 7., and is almost always accompanied with native mercury and iron-ochre; whereas the specific gravity of red silver-ore does not exceed 5.8; and its accompanying fossils, as already mentioned, are very different from those of cinnabar.

Red copper-ore has a specific gravity of 3.9, and is usually accompanied with native copper, malachite, and brown iron-ochre,—characters that distinguish it sufficiently from red silver-ore.

6. It



6. It has a slight resemblance to copper-glance and red orpiment. Copper-glance gives a blackish streak; red orpiment a yellow streak, and its specific gravity is only 3.2,—characters that distinguish them at once from red silver-ore.

#### NINTH SPECIES.

White Silver-Ore.

Weiss-Giltigerz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pab. 1. b. f. 58.—Id. Wid. f. 711.—Light Grey Silver-Ore, Kirw. vol. ii. p. 119.—Weiss-Giltigerz, Eßner, 3. b. f. 443.—Id. Emm. 2. b. f. 195.—La Mine blanche riche, Broch. t. 2. p. 150.—Weiss-Giltigerz, Reufs, 4. b. f. 193.*

#### External Characters.

Its colour is very light lead-grey, but when it approaches to silver-glance it inclines somewhat to black.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally it alternates from glimmering to shining, and its lustre is metallic. The varieties that verge on silver-glance have the most lustre; those that pass into plumose antimony the least.

Fracture even, and fine-grained uneven. When fine-grained uneven, it is passing into brittle silver-glance; and when we observe intermixed in it delicate

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licate fibres, it is passing to indurated plumose antimony: Therefore, the fracture of the true white silver-ore is even.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Streak shining, and retains its colour.

Is soft, approaching to very soft.

Slightly sectile.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

*Constituent Parts.*

It is a compound of antimony, sulphur and silver. Klaproth found it to contain a very considerable portion of lead, but the existence of that metal is doubted by Werner. Daubiffon found it to contain, in the hundred parts, 16 parts of silver, and 30 of lead and antimony.

The following are the analyses of Klaproth:

Dark White Silver-Ore from Himmelsfürst near Freyberg.		Light White Silver-Ore from Himmelsfürst.
Lead,	41.	48.06
Silver,	9.25	20.40
Antimony,	21.50	7.88
Iron,	1.75	2.25
Sulphur,	22.0	12.25
Alumina,	1.0	7.0
Silica,	0.75	0.25
	97.26	99.09

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Always in veins, and accompanied with lead-glance, dark red silver-ore, brittle silver-ore, plumose antimony, brown-spar, and calc-spar.

It is found in considerable quantity in the mines of Himmelsfürst and Bescheret Glück near Freyberg, but rarely in other countries.

It is said to have been found in small quantity in the Hartz, and also in Bohemia.

*Observations.*

1. It appears to be an intermediate species, between brittle silver-ore and plumose antimony.
2. By many mineralogists it is confounded with fahl-ore.
3. Compact lead-glance is distinguished from it by its fresh lead-grey colour, and its less specific gravity.
4. It occurs in a peculiar formation, which is termed by Werner the Argentiferous or silverish Lead-glance Formation (Silbereiche Bleizglanz Formation).

TENTH



## TENTH SPECIES.

Black Silver-Ore.

Schwarzgiltigerz.—*Werner*.

Colour iron-black, which sometimes approaches to steel-grey.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and crystallized in three-sided pyramids, which are bevelled on the edges, and acuminated on the angles by three planes.

The crystals are middle-sized and small.

Internally shining, inclining to glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture imperfect and small conchoidal, which sometimes passes into uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Semihard, inclining to soft.

Sectile.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

*Observation.*

By its affinity with fahl-ore or grey copper-ore, it connects together the silver and copper genus.



## FIFTH GENUS.

## COPPER GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Native Copper.

Gediegen Kupfer.—*Werner*.

Cuprum nativum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 274. — Cuivre natif, *Ronde L.* t. 3. p. 305. — Gediegen Kupfer, *Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 62. — *Id.* *Wid.* f. 737. — Cuivre natif, *De Born*, t. 2. p. 303. — Native Copper, *Kirwan*, vol. ii. p. 128. — Gediegen Kupfer, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 459. — *Id.* *Emm.* 2. b. f. 206. — Le Cuivre natif, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 158. — *Id.* *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 518.—529. — Gediegen Kupfer, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 392.

*External Characters.*

Colour copper-red, but is frequently tarnished brownish, blackish, yellowish or silver-white.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in membranes, in plates, in angular pieces, in rolled pieces, in grains, capillary, filiform, mosslike, irregular dendritic, corroded, ramose; and pretty often crystallized,

1. Perfect cube.

2. Cube truncated on its angles, which is the middle crystal between the cube and the octahedron.

3. Cube truncated on its edges, which is the middle crystal between the cube and the rhomboidal or garnet dodecahedron.

4. Rhomboidal or garnet dodecahedron.

5. Perfect



5. Perfect octahedron; sometimes truncated on its edges.
6. Simple acute three-sided pyramid.
7. Simple acute six-sided pyramid.
8. Very low equiangular and equilateral six-sided prism acuminated by six planes, which are set on the lateral planes.
9. Oblique four-sided prism, acuminated by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes.

Crystals seldom middle-sized and small, usually very small and microscopic. Occur seldom single imbedded and superimposed, more commonly aggregated in a variety of external shapes.

The lateral planes of the crystals are sometimes smooth, sometimes drusy, and the simple six-sided pyramids are transversely streaked. They are splendid; the other shapes are glistening.

Internally intermediate between glistening and glimmering, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture hackly.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Streak splendid, with a metallic lustre.

Is intermediate between semihard and soft.

Completely malleable.

Common flexible.

Difficultly frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 7.728, from Hungary, *Gellert*; 7.600 to 7.800, *Kirwan*; 8.5844, from Siberia *Hauy*.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters.*

When copper is allowed to stand for some time in ammonia, it communicates to it a blue colour, which is one of the best chemical characters for discovering this metal.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs usually in veins, and sometimes in beds, and most commonly accompanied with red copper-ore, brown and red iron-ochre, malachite and copper-green. It is sometimes also accompanied with copper-glance, fahl-ore or grey copper-ore, copper-pyrites, copper-black, lead-glance, (at Illova in Upper Hungary); native silver, tinstone, silver-glance, (at Marienberg); cobalt-glance, calc-spar, quartz, heavy-spar, and fluor-spar.

The Tyrolian occurs in chlorite and talc-slate; that found at Friedrichsminde in Norway, in grey hornstone and limestone, with earthy copper-azure, and copper-green; at Gullardsrud Schurf, in same country, in serpentine; in Faroe, with radiated and fibrous zeolite, in amygdaloid; in the mine of Maria-Taferl at Moldowa in the Banat, in syenitic porphyry; at Kamfdorf in Westwald in beds of ironstone; at Herngrund in Hungary in grey-wacke slate; in England, in quartz and granite.

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The Siberian occurs in granular limestone.

*Geographic Situation.*

*Europe.*—Cornwall, Anglesea, Cumberland, &c. in England; Shetland Islands, Scotland; Rudnobanya, Herngrund near Newfohl, and Schmolnitz near Einfiedel in Hungary; Dognaczka, Milowa, Moldawa, Saska, and Peterfch, in the Bannat of Temeswar; Deva, Kapnik, &c. in Transilvania; Schwatz, Gogel, Liniberg, in the Tyrol; Gros Kamfdorf, Freyberg, Annaberg, Marienberg, Johannegeorgenstadt, Glashütte, in the electorate of Saxony; Saalfeld and Blankenburg in Thuringia; Giern, Rudelstadt, Janowitz, Kupferberg and Altenberg in Silesia; Swabia; Hefisia; Deux Ponts; at Reichenbach in the valley of Oberstein in the Palatinate; Lautenthal and Rammelsberg in the Hartz; Salzburg; France; Spain; Montalto in Tuscany; Norberg, Fahlun, Sunnerskog, and Smoland in Sweden; Friedrichsminde, and many other places in Norway; Nolsoe, one of the Faroe Islands; the Bear Islands in the White Sea.

*Asia.*—In the Uralian Mountains, particularly on the east side; in the Altain Mountains; Kasan; Schlangenberg; Mednoi Ostrow one of the Kurile Islands on the eastern coast of Kamtschatka; on the banks of the river Bolschaja in Kamtschatka; Japan and China.

*America.*



*America.*—On the banks of the Ohio in Canada ; Copper Mine river on the confines of the Arctic Ocean ; Brasil ; Chili.

*Use.*

The copper used for economical and other purposes is obtained from the ores of copper afterwards to be described, native copper seldom occurring in any considerable quantity. Combined with zinc it forms the useful compound called Brass, and with tin, Bell-metal or bronze. It is also used in coinage, either pure, or when combined with gold or silver, to which it gives a greater degree of tenacity. Its oxide is employed in colouring glass and porcelain green ; and when combined with acetic acid, it affords the well-known pigment called Verdigris. Great quantities of it are used for sheathing the bottom of ships intended for long voyages into warm climates, to preserve them from the attack of the *teredo navalis* and other destructive vermes ; when covered with tin, for culinary vessels. The ancients employed a compound of Cyprian copper, gold and silver, in unknown proportions, to form the famous Corinthian metal, to which the Greeks attached an extraordinary value.

*Observations.*

1. It is frequently found in great masses dispersed over the surface of the earth, in uncultivated



ted countries; hence Werner conjectures, that it was the first metal worked by man. It is still found in loose masses in the uncultivated and thinly inhabited regions on the banks of the Ohio in Canada, and the Kurile Isles; and Professor Vandyke informs us, that a mass weighing 2600 Portuguese pounds was found in a valley near Cachoeira in the Brazils.

2. When iron-plates are put into a solution of copper vitriol, their surfaces soon become covered with a coating or crust of malleable copper, which is called Copper of Cementation. As copper thus formed is an artificial product, it cannot be included in a system of oryctognosy.

3. Native copper is distinguished from copper-nickel by its malleability and inferior degree of hardness; copper-nickel being semihard, bordering on hard, and brittle.

## SECOND SPECIES.

Copper-glance.

Kupferglas.—Werner.

This species contains two subspecies. 1. Compact Copper-glance. 2. Foliated Copper-glance.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Compact Copper-glance.

Dichtes Kupferglas.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, *Pabst*. 1. b. f. 71.—Compact vitreous Copper-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 144.—Dichtes Kuper Glanzerz, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 476.—Kupferglas, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 223.—Cuivre sulphuré, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 551-555.—Le Cuivre vitrioux compacte, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 162.—Dichtes Kupferglanz, *Reuss*, 3. b. f. 401.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark lead-grey, which passes into blackish-grey; and has often a tempered-steel coloured tarnish.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in membranes, and rarely crystallized, in

1. Low equiangular six-sided prisms, which are either perfect or truncated in the terminal edges.
2. Double six-sided pyramid, truncated on the extremities.
3. Octahedron.
4. Perfect cube, having convex lateral planes, and sometimes truncated on its angles.
5. Three-sided table, truncated on its angles.

The crystals are small and very small, seldom middle-sized, and are in general very rare.

Externally shining.

Internally it is intermediate between shining and



and glistening, and sometimes even passes into glimmering; it is most commonly glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture, small and fine-grained uneven, which passes into small conchoidal, and large and flat conchoidal, and sometimes into even.

Fragments indeterminately angular, more or less sharp-edged.

Retains its colour, and is shining in the streak.

Is soft.

Perfectly sectile.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.888 to 5.338, *Gellert*; 5.452, Cornish, *Kirwan*; 4.129, Hungarian, *Kirwan*; 4.8648, *Haüy*.

#### Constituent Parts.

The Siberian, according to *Klaproth*,

Copper,	78.5
Iron,	2.25
Sulphur,	16.5
Silica,	0.75
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#### SECOND SUBSPECIES.

#### Foliated Copper-glance.

Blättriches Kupferglanz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, *Pabst*. i. b. f. 73.—Foliated vitreous Copper-ore,  
*Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 146.—Blättriges Kupferglanzerz, *Estner*,  
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3. b. f. 477.—Blättriches Kupferglas, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 225.—  
Le Cuivre vitreuse lamelleux, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 164.—Blät-  
triches Kupferglanz, *Reufs.* 3. b. f. 403.

*External Characters.*

Colour is the same as that of the preceding sub-  
species.

Occurs massive and disseminated. Werner has  
never observed it crystallized; but he supposes,  
from its fracture, that it may exist in regular fi-  
gures.

Principal fracture shining; cross-fracture glim-  
mering, with a metallic lustre.

Principal fracture pretty straight foliated, with  
a single cleavage; cross-fracture fine-grained un-  
even.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-ed-  
ged.

Occurs always in coarse and fine granular distinct  
concretions.

In the remaining characters, it agrees with the  
preceding subspecies.

*Chemical Characters of the Species.*

Before the blow-pipe, on charcoal, it melts very  
easily, and yields a globule of copper, covered with  
a blackish-coloured scoria. When melted with bo-  
rax, it communicates to it a green colour; and  
when digested with ammonia, it tinges it blue.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation of the Species.*

It occurs in veins and beds, in primitive and floetz mountains, and is usually accompanied with malachite and red and brown iron-ochre; frequently also with copper-green.

It occurs in primitive limestone at Saska in the Bannat of Temeswar; in talc-slate at Blansko in Moravia; in beds and veins in bituminous marl-slate in Thuringia; in amygdaloid in Deux Ponts.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Poldice, Cookskitchen, Carrarach, Wheal Virgin, Redruth, Dolefath in Cornwall; Atwod and Sunners-Kog in Sweden; Swapawary in Lapland; Kongsberg in Norway; the Bear Islands in the White Sea; Lautenthal in the Hartz; Limberg, Klucken, Piesendorf, Schwarzleogang in Salzburg; Kupferberg, Hasel and Prausnitz, Streckenbach, Dittmansdorf and Rudelstadt in Silesia; Nohfelden in Deux Ponts; Schiltach in Würtemberg; Rheinbreitenbach in the electorate of Cologne; Frankenberg, and Thalliter in Hestia; Saalfeld, Bottendorf, Eisleben and Sangerhausen in Thuringia; Freyberg, Marienberg, Schneeberg, Glashütte, Berggieshübel, Deutch-Neudorf in the electorate of Saxony; Falkenstein near Schwatz, and Ringenwechel in the Tyrol; Deva in Transilvania; Newfohl, Iglo,



Iglo, Schmolnitz and Schwedeln in Hungary; Blansko in Moravia; Graupen, Zinnwald and Catharinenberg in Bohemia.

*Use.*

It affords upwards of sixty pounds of copper in the hundredweight, and hence is worked as an ore of copper.

*Observations.*

1. The tarnished varieties of copper-glance incline, and even pass into variegated copper-ore.
2. It is rather a scarce ore of copper, and although it is found in many different places, it does not occur in very great abundance.
3. It is sometimes confounded with fahl-ore.
4. The Frankenberg, or Hessian corn-ears, are sometimes aggregations of small crystals of copper-glance; sometimes, according to Mr Monch, true petrifications of the *phalaris pulposa*, composed of copper-glance, white copper-ore and fahl-ore. They have sometimes a thin covering of native silver.
5. Copper-glance is sectile, but fahl-ore is brittle,—characters which distinguish these species from one another. Red copper-ore yields a red streak, and has a red colour,—characters which distinguish it from this species. It has been confounded with silver-glance, from which it is distinguished by many characters, and, in particular, by its inferior degree

degree



degree of tenacity; silver-glance cutting into slices with a knife, whereas copper-glance separates into small grains.

### THIRD SPECIES.

#### Variegated Copper-Ore.

#### Buntkupfererz.—*Werner*.

Cuprum lazereum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 278.—Bunt Kupfererz, *Wern. Pab.* 1. b. f. 73.—*Id. Wid.* f. 744.—Cuivre sulphuré violet, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 311.—Purple Copper-Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 142.—Bunt Kupfererz, *Estner*, 3. b. f. 489.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 228.—La Mine de Cuivre panachée ou violette, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 166.—Cuivre pyriteux hepaticque, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 536.—Buntkupfererz, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 410.

#### *External Characters.*

Its fresh colour is intermediate between copper red and pinchbeck-brown; it however soon acquires a tarnish, which is first reddish, then the red passes successively into violet-blue, azure-blue and sky-blue, and lastly into green; yet several of these colours are to be observed on the same mass, so that it has a variegated aspect, and of these colours the blue is usually the predominant, and the green occurs only in spots.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in plates, in membranes, and, it is said, also crystallized in octahedrons.

Internally



Internally shining or glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture small and rather imperfect conchoidal, which sometimes approaches to fine-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular; not particularly sharp-edged.

Neither colour nor lustre are changed in the streak.

Is soft.

Sectile in a slight degree.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, from the Bannat, 4.956, *Kirwan*; from Lorraine, 4.983, *Kirwan*; 4.300, *La Metherie*; 5.467, *Wiedenman*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it is affected nearly in the same manner as copper-glance.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

From Hitterdahl in Norway.

From Rudelstadt in Silesia.

Copper,	69.50	58
Sulphur,	19.0	19
Iron,	7.50	18
Oxygen,	4.0	5
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	100	100

*Klaproth*, b. 2. f. 281.

*Geognostis*



*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs in beds, veins, and disseminated in rocks of different formations. It would appear to occur in greatest quantity in primitive mineral beds. It is usually accompanied with copper-pyrites and copper-glance, but rather more frequently with the first, and sometimes also with malachite, copper-azure, fahl-ore, iron-ochre, and iron-pyrites.

At Rezbanya it occurs with asbestous tremolite, olive-green coloured garnet, in calc-spar; at Dognaczká with pale olive-green and brownish coloured common garnet, small granular blende, copper-pyrites, copper-green, and malachite, in calc-spar or quartz; at Saska with massive calc-spar and fahl-ore; at Oravicza in asbestous tremolite, with calc-spar; at Deva in greyish-white crystallized amethyst; at Rudelstadt with heavy-spar and copper-pyrites; at Friedrichsminde with calc-spar and chlorite-slate; at Aardal with quartz, actynolite, fibrous malachite, copper-pyrites, and copper-green, seldom with native-gold and felspar; at Mofs with iron-shot copper-green and brownish-red garnet; in the mines of Arendal with brown iron-ochre, fibrous malachite, and reddish-brown garnet; at Kongsberg with native silver; in the district of Mansfeld, it occurs in bituminous marl-slate; in Sweden in mica-slate.

*Geographie*



*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall; Friedricksminde, Aardal, Omdal, Mofs, Arendal, Hitterdahl, Guldnaes, and Kongfberg in Norway; Wärmeland, Smoland, Dalecarlia, and West Gothland in Sweden; Petrowskoi Zawod in Finnland; in the Woizer Mines in the mountains of Olnetz in Ruffia; France; Catharinenberg in Bohemia; Gros-kamsdorf, Marienberg, Berggieshübel, Wolkenstein and Freyberg in the electorate of Saxony; Eisleben, Böttendorf, Sangerhausen, Saalfeld and Ilmenau in Thuringia; Schiltach and Bulach in Würtemberg; Thalitter in Heflia; Leogang in Salzburg; Lautenthal in the Hartz; Kupferberg, Rudelstadt, and Altenberg in Silesia; Deva in Transilvania; Dognaczka, Saska, Oravicza, and Moldavia, in the Bannat; Rezbanya in Hungary.

*Use.*

Copper is extracted from it, but it is not so easily reduced as copper-glance. It yields from 50 to 70 *per cent.* of copper.

*Observations.*

1. It is, by its external characters and chemical composition, an intermediate species between copper-glance and copper-pyrites.
2. It occurs equally abundant with copper-glance, but not in such great quantity as copper-pyrites.
3. It



3. It was formerly confounded with copper-glance, copper-pyrites, and red copper-ore; but Werner ascertained it to be a distinct species, and gave it its present name from its tarnish, which is one of the most striking features in its external aspect.

4. Mr Brochant supposes it to be identical with copper-glance, and that therefore the characters which Werner considers as distinguishing it from that species are not sufficiently characteristic.

## FOURTH SPECIES.

## Copper-Pyrites.

Kupferkies.—*Werner*.

*Minera Cupri flava*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 282.—*Mine de Cuivre jaune*, *Rom. d. L.* t. 3. p. 309.—*Kupferkies*, *Wern. Pab.* b. 1. f. 75.—*Id. Wid.* f. 746.—*Copper-Pyrites*, or *Yellow Copper-Ore*, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 140.—*Mine de Cuivre jaune*, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 313.—*Kupferkies*, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 494.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 232.—*Cuivre pyriteux*, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 197.—*La Pyrite cuivreux*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 169.—*Kupferkies*, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 415.

*External Characters.*

On the fresh fracture, its colour is brass-yellow, of different shades: that which contains the greatest quantity of copper has a deep-yellow colour, approaching to gold-yellow; the poorer varieties



rieties approach to greyish brassy-yellow and steel-grey.

It is usually tarnished, either with variegated colours, as pavonine, columbine, and sometimes tempered steel-coloured, or with simple colours, as blue and black.

The tarnished colours occur sometimes on the mineral in the bosom of the earth, sometimes by the exposition of the recent fracture to the action of the air.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and in membranes; also dendritic, reniform, botryoidal, stalactitic, specular, amorphous; and crystallized as follows:

1. Tetrahedron. It is either perfect, or its angles are acuminate by three planes, which are set on the lateral planes; or they are truncated. When the angles on the base are slightly, but those of the summit deeply truncated, there is formed a
2. Six-sided table, in which the terminal planes are set alternately oblique and straight on the lateral planes.
3. Octahedron, either perfect, or truncated on its edges, thus forming the intermediate crystal between the octahedron and garnet dodecahedron.
4. Garnet dodecahedron.
5. Twin crystal, resembling that of the spinelle, which is formed by the union of two segments



ments of deeply truncated tetrahedrons, joined base to base, so that the conjoined truncatures form three re-entering angles, and the lateral planes three salient angles.

The crystals are usually small and very small, and generally superimposed.

Externally intermediate between glistening and shining, often splendent.

Internally shining, which in some varieties passes into glimmering; lustre metallic.

Fracture most commonly coarse and small-grained uneven: the coarse-grained passes on the one hand into imperfect and small conchoidal, and from this into imperfect foliated: the small-grained passes into fine-grained uneven, and into even, and large and flat conchoidal. The lustre varies with the fracture; the foliated has the strongest lustre, and its colour approaches to gold-yellow: the next in intensity of lustre is the conchoidal; and the large conchoidal and even, have the least lustre, being only glimmering.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

It is intermediate between semihard and soft.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.160, *Gellert*; 4.080, *Kirwan*; 4.344, *Briffon*; 4.3154, *Hauy*.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, on charcoal, it decrepitates, emits a greenish-coloured sulphureous smoke, and melts into a black globule, which, by continuing the fire gradually, assumes the metallic lustre of copper. It imparts to borax a green tinge.

*Constituent Parts.*

Copper,	40	41.
Iron,	40	17.1
Sulphur,	20	45.1
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	100	103.2

According to *Sage.*      *Lampadius.*

It sometimes also contains small portions of gold or silver.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is one of the most abundant ores; it occurs in almost every kind of repository, and in all the great classes of rocks. In primitive mountains it is found both in beds and in veins; and the beds are sometimes of great thickness. It occurs even in the oldest metalliferous formations, as with tin; often also with lead-glance and other ores, among which the most common are malachite and tile-ore, feldspar iron pyrites, sparry ironstone, magnetic ironstone and blende. It forms a great bed in gneiss at Graupen in Bohemia, small beds in mica-slate at Gieren and Queerbach, in clay-slate at Seichau, and in primitive trap at Kupferberg in Bohemia. It is found in transition mountains at Rammeisberg



Rammelsberg in the Hartz, and in beds and veins accompanied with variegated copper-ore and copper-glance, in bituminous marl-slate in the district of Mansfeld in Thuringia.

*Geographic Situation.*

At Poldice, and Dolcoath, &c. in Cornwall; Ecton Mine in Staffordshire; in many places in Derbyshire; the island of Anglesea in Wales, where it probably occurs as a lying mass (*liegende stöcke*); Mainland, one of the Shetland islands, and in many other places in England and Scotland. Its continental localities are extremely numerous: of these I shall only mention in general Norway, Sweden, Russia, Hanover, Hesse, electorate of Saxony, Bohemia, Silesia, Austria, Hungary, Spain, Siberia, and Chili in South America.

*Use.*

Nearly one-third of all the copper which is obtained by metallurgic operations, is extracted from this species; it is, however, a poor ore, seldom yielding above 36 pounds, more commonly only 20 pounds of copper in the hundred. Sulphur is frequently obtained from it by sublimation.

*Observations.*

1. From gold, it is distinguished by fracture, it having a conchoidal, uneven or imperfect foliated fracture,



fracture, whereas gold has a hackly fracture; by tenacity, it being brittle, whereas gold is completely malleable.

2. It is distinguished from iron-pyrites by its hardness, it being only intermediate between semi-hard and soft, whereas iron-pyrites gives fire with steel; by colour, iron-pyrites being bronze-yellow, whereas it is brass-yellow; and the crystallizations are also very different from those of iron-pyrites; in particular, it occurs in tetrahedrons, a form never observed in iron-pyrites.

3. It passes into several other species of ore, particularly into white copper-ore, fahl-ore, and variegated copper-ore.

4. The softer varieties of copper-pyrites contain the greatest quantity of copper, and the harder the greatest proportion of iron. Among the softer varieties, those having a tarnished surface are said to contain the greatest quantity of copper.

5. Those varieties that contain the largest proportion of sulphur, are the least affected by exposure to the air.

### FIFTH SPECIES.

#### White Copper-Ore.

Weiß Kupfererz.—*Werner*.

Minera Cupri alba, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 280.—Weiß Kupfererz, *Werner*, *Pabst.* b. 1. f. 83.—*Id.* *Wld.* f. 750.—White Copper-ore, *Kirw.*



*Kirw.* v. ii. p. 152.—Weiss-Kupererz, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 505.—  
*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 236.—Mine de Cuivre blanche arsenicale,  
*Lam.* t. 1. p. 201.—La Mine de Cuivre blanche, *Broch.* t. 2.  
 p. 173.—Weiss Kupererz, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 425.

### *External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between silver-white and bronze yellow, which sometimes inclines slightly to brass-yellow. On the fresh fracture, it soon becomes tarnished with a greyish-yellow colour.

Occurs massive and disseminated\*.

Internally glistening, with a metallic lustre.

Fracture small and fine-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Soft, passing into semihard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.500.—*La Metherie*.

### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it yields a white smoke, which has an arsenical smell, and lastly melts into a greyish-black slag.

### *Constituent*

\* According to Karsten and Ullman, it occurs crystallized in octahedrons.



*Constituent Parts.*

*Henkel*, who gave the first notice respecting this ore, informs us, that it contains 40 parts of copper, and the remainder consists of iron, arsenic, and sulphur.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins and mineral beds in primitive mountains. It is usually accompanied with copper pyrites and copper-glance, feldomer with fahl-ore.

*Geographic Situation.*

In the mine, called Huel Gorland in Cornwall; in the mines Lorenz Gegentrum and Elias near Freyberg in the electorate of Saxony; Rudelstadt, Altenberg, and Kupferberg in Silesia; Frankenberg in Heflia; Christophthal near Freüdenstadt in Wurtemberg; Strazena behind the Creuzberg in Upper Hungary; Catharinenburg in Siberia; and Chili in South America.

*Observations.*

I. It has been frequently confounded with copper-pyrites, copper-glance, grey copper-ore, and arsenical pyrites. It is however easily distinguished from copper-pyrites, copper-glance and grey copper-ore, by its colour, and from arsenical pyrites by its less specific gravity.

2. It



2. It is one of the rarest species of copper-ore.

3. It is an intermediate species between copper-pyrites and fahl-ore or grey copper-ore, into both of which it probably passes.

### SIXTH SPECIES.

#### Grey Copper-Ore, or Fahl-Ore.

Fahlerz.—*Werner*.

Minera Cupri grisea, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 281. — Mine d'Argent grise, et Mine de Cuivre grise, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 315.—Fahlerz, *Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 83.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 751.—Grey Copper-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 146. — Fahlerz, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 509.—*Id.* *Emm.* b. 3. f. 238. — Argent gris, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 133.—Mine d'une couleur fauve, ou le Cuivre gris, ou le Fahlerz, *Broch*, t. 2. p. 175.—Cuivre gris, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 536, 556.—Fahlerz, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 198.

#### External Characters.

Its most common colour is steel-grey, which passes on the one hand into iron-black, (this variety contains the greatest proportion of silver); on the other hand, into a colour which is intermediate between steel-grey and lead-grey, (and this variety contains the greatest proportion of antimony): it sometimes also inclines towards yellow, when it is passing to copper-pyrites; and varieties with this colour contain the greatest proportion of copper.

It occurs rarely with a tempered-steel coloured tarnish.

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Occurs



Occurs massive, disseminated, seldom in membranes, and often also crystallized; its crystallizations are the following:

1. Tetrahedron, or simple three-sided pyramid, which is either

*a.* Perfect.

*b.* Truncated on the edges.

*c.* Bevelled on the edges. When the bevelled edges increase so much as to cause the faces of the tetrahedron to disappear, there is formed a tetrahedron, having each plane divided into three, or there is formed on each of the planes a very obtuse acumination.

*d.* Truncated on the angles. When the summit and the edges of the basis are very deeply truncated, there is formed a three-sided table, having its terminal planes bevelled.

*e.* Each of its angles acuminated by three planes, which are set on the lateral planes; sometimes the edges and the extremities of these acuminations are truncated. When these acuminations increase so much, that the original planes of the tetrahedron disappear, there is formed

2. The garnet dodecahedron.

3. When the truncations on the angles of the tetrahedron meet, the octahedron is formed,—

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a figure, however, which has scarcely been observed in this species.

Crystals small and seldom middle-sized; usually heaped on one another, sometimes also superimposed.

Their surface is shining and splendid.

Internally it is usually glistening; sometimes, however, it passes into shining, and has a metallic lustre.

Fracture coarse and small-grained uneven; sometimes it inclines to imperfect conchoidal, and such varieties have a black colour, the strongest lustre, and contain the greatest proportion of silver, and the least of copper.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty blunt-edged.

Is more or less semihard.

Gives a reddish-brown streak; some varieties do not produce any alteration of colour\*.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.594, *Wiedemann*.

4.8648, *Hauy*.

4.4460 to 4560, *Bournon*.

#### *Chemical*

\* According to Count de Bournon, those varieties that afford a reddish-brown streak, may be presumed to contain a mixture of silver and antimony, generally combined together, in the state of red silver-ore.



*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it first decrepitates, and then melts into a greyish-coloured brittle metallic globule. During fusion it disengages a white smoke: to borax it communicates a yellowish colour inclining to red. Some varieties are difficult of fusion.

*Constituent Parts.*

<i>From Andreasberg.</i>		<i>Piedmont.</i>	
Copper,	16.25		29.3
Sulphur,	10.00		12.7
Antimony,	16.00		36.9
Silver,	2.25		0.7
Iron,	13.75		12.1
Silica,	2.50	Alumina,	1.1
Lead,	34.50	Arsenic,	4.0
Loss,	4.75		3.2
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	100		100
	<i>Klaproth.</i>		<i>Napione.</i>

Mr Chenevix examined specimens of this ore, from Kapnick in Transilvania, Markirch in Alface, Andreasberg in the Hartz, Grossmandorf in Saxony, Freyberg in Saxony, Heflia, and from the Alps of Dauphiny, but not one of them contained a particle of lead or of silver, but they all contained antimony, although in such various proportions as to exhibit the following differences: viz.  $\frac{38}{100}$ ,  $\frac{28}{100}$ ,  $\frac{27}{100}$ ,  $\frac{10}{100}$ , and  $\frac{5}{100}$ . The same excellent chemist



mist examined several specimens of massive fahl-ore, and which he found to contain nothing but sulphur, copper and iron, without any trace of antimony. He also analyzed several tetrahedral crystals of this ore found in Cornwall, and these he found to contain nothing but copper, iron and sulphur, in the following proportions: namely,  $\frac{52}{100}$  of copper,  $\frac{33}{100}$  of iron,  $\frac{14}{100}$  of sulphur. From these analyses, Count de Bournon concludes, that fahl-ore is nothing more than a simple combination of sulphur with copper and iron, and that the other ingredients which are sometimes met with in it, are to be considered as accidental, and introduced into the species by what he terms the heterogeneous attraction of aggregation.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in the newer primitive rocks, as in clay-slate, also in transition and floetz rocks. In primitive rocks it occurs usually in veins, but in transition and floetz rocks most commonly in beds. It is often accompanied with copper-pyrites, lead-glance, manganese, sparry ironstone, heavy-spar, fluor-spar and quartz; more seldom with malachite, copper-azure and other ores of copper.

In the Saxon Erzgebirge it occurs usually with copper-pyrites, sparry ironstone, quartz, calc-spar, heavy-spar and fluor-spar; in the Hartz with copper-pyrites, sparry-ironstone, in grey-wacke and clay-



clay-slate; in Dauphiny with malachite, calc-spar and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

In several mines in Cornwall, and in Ayrshire in Scotland; at Catharinenberg and Skalka near Kuttenberg in Bohemia; in Upper and Lower Hungary; Transilvania; Bannat; Stiria; the Tyrol; Salzburg; at Freyberg, Gerfdorf, Scharfenberg, Kamfdorf, in Saxony; Saalfeld in Thuringia; at Kupferberg, Dittmansdorf, Rudelstadt, Gablau, and Leipe in Silesia; Heffia; Wurttemberg; Deux Poats; at Claufthal, Zellerfeldt, and Andreasberg in the Hartz; West Gallicia; France; Bagony in Navarre in Spain; Postua in Piedmont, Savoy, Bergamo in the Venetian territory, Seravezza in Tuscany, Fondachelli in Sicily, in Italy; Sweden; Norway; Siberia; Chili,

*Use.*

It is usually worked on account of the copper which it contains; sometimes also when it contains silver, as an ore of silver.

*Observations.*

1. Black silver-ore is distinguished from this species, by its darker colour, stronger lustre and conchoidal fracture.

2. It



2. It passes sometimes into copper-pyrites, and sometimes into copper-glance.

3. It is the most compounded of all the ores of copper.

## SEVENTH SPECIES.

## Copper-Black.

Kupferchwärze.—*Werner.*

Ochra Cupri nigra, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 291.—Kupferchwärze, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 88.—*Id. Wid.* f. 755.—Black Copper-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 143.—Kupferchwärze, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 244.—*Id. Estner,* b. 3. f. 525.—Oxide noir de Cuivre, *Lam.* p. 312.—Le Cuivre noir, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 180.—Kupferchwärze, *Reufs,* b. 3. f. 431.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is usually intermediate between bluish and brownish-black, but rather more inclining to brownish-black.

Is friable.

Occurs massive, sometimes disseminated, and sometimes thinly coating other ores of copper.

Is composed of dull dusty particles, which scarcely foil.

Is almost always more or less cohering.

Is heavy.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it emits a sulphureous odour, and melts into a slag, which communicates a green colour to borax.

*Constituent Parts.*

It is said to contain from 40 to 50 parts in the hundred of copper.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs usually with copper-pyrites, malachite, copper-green, and copper-glance; sometimes also with native-copper, red copper-ore, copper-azure, quartz, fluor-spar, heavy-spar, and brown-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found very beautiful at Kupferberg and Rudelstadt in Silesia. It is also found at Rosenau and Schmölnitz in Hungary; at Moldawa, Dog-natska, and Saska in the Bannat; at Falkenstein in the Tyrol; Stiria; in the mine called Lorenzgegentrum near Freyberg, and at Kamsdorf in the electorate of Saxony; Franconia; Swabia; Heflia; Salzburg; France; Sweden; Norway; Siberia.

*Observation.*

It is probably formed by the decomposition of copper-glance and copper-pyrites.

EIGHTH



## EIGHTH SPECIES.

Red Copper-Ore.

Rothkupfererz.—*Werner*.

Rothkupfererz, *Wid.* f. 757.—Florid red Copper-Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 135.—Roth Kupfererz, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 530.—*Id.* *Emm.* b. 2. f. 213.—Mine de Cuivre rouge, ou le Cuivre Oxide rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 181.

This species is, by *Werner*, divided into three subspecies: 1. Compact: 2. Foliated: 3. Capillary.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Compact Red Copper-Ore.

Dichtes Rothkupfererz.—*Werner*.

*Id.* *Werner*, *Pabst.* b. 1. f. 66.—Compact florid, or Cochineal-red Copper-Ore, *Kirwan*, vol. ii. p. 135.—Dichtes Roth Kupfererz, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 530.—*Id.* *Emm.* b. 2. f. 213.—Le Cuivre Oxide rouge compacte, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 181.—Dichtes Rothkupfererz, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 433.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark cochineal-red, faintly inclining to lead-grey.

Occurs massive, in membranes, corroded, amorphous, and also disseminated.

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Internally



Internally glimmering, inclining to glistening, and its lustre is semimetallic.

Fracture even.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Is almost always unseparated.

Is opaque.

Gives a tile-red streak, and loses thereby a little of its lustre.

Is semihard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

#### SECOND SUBSPECIES.

#### Foliated Red Copper-Ore.

Blättriches Rothkupfererz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 66.—Foliated florid-red Copper-Ore,  
*Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 136.—Blättriges Rothkupfererz, *Estner*,  
b. 3. f. 533.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 214.—Le Cuivre Oxide  
rouge lamelleux, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 183.—Blättriches Rothkup-  
fererz, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 436.

#### External Characters.

Colour dark cochineal-red, which sometimes inclines to lead-grey. Its crystals are redder, and pass sometimes into dark carmine-red.

Occurs



Occurs massive, disseminated, in membranes, corroded, amorphous, and crystallized. Its crystallizations are the following:

1. The cube, which is either perfect or truncated, sometimes on its angles, sometimes on its edges.
2. The octahedron, which is either perfect or truncated, sometimes on its angles, and sometimes on its edges. It is sometimes also lengthened or cuneiform.

The crystals are usually small and very small, seldom middle-sized: they occur sometimes aggregated on one another, side by side, and scalar-wise.

The planes are smooth and splendent.

Internally it alternates from shining to glistening, and its lustre is adamantine.

Fracture imperfect foliated, sometimes also coarse and small-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

It is almost always unseparated; sometimes, however, it occurs in coarse, small, and fine granular distinct concretions. The fine granular passes into compact.

The massive varieties are usually opaque, or very faintly translucent on the edges. The crystals are transparent and semitransparent, and sometimes strongly translucent.

It yields a dirty tile-red streak.

Is



Is semihard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity 3.950.—*Wiedemann.*

THIRD SUBSPECIES.

Capillary Red Copper-Ore.

Haarförmiges Kupfererz.—*Werner.*

Kupferblüthe, *Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 68.—Fibrous red Copper-Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 137.—Kupferblüthe, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 538.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 216.—Le Cuivre Oxide rouge capillaire, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 184.—Haarförmiges Rothkupfererz, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 439.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is most commonly carmine-red, which sometimes approaches to cochineal-red.

Occurs in small capillary crystals, also in thin tables, which are sometimes aggregated into amorphous and scopiform flakes.

Is shining, and its lustre is adamantine.

Is translucent; but its internal aspect, and the other external characters, cannot be determined, on account of the smallness of the parts of the mineral.

*Chemical Characters of the whole Species.*

It is easily reduced before the blow-pipe, and  
without



without emitting either smell or smoke. It dissolves in muriatic acid without effervescence, but in nitrous acid with a brisk effervescence. We can thus distinguish it from cinnabar, which does not dissolve, and from red silver-ore, which dissolves with effervescence.

*Constituent Parts.*

*Chenevix* analyzed several Cornish specimens, and found them composed of about

88.5 Copper.

11.5 Oxygen.

Phil. Transf. for 1801.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is found in almost every kind of repository, but most frequently in veins; and it appears to be peculiar to the primitive mountains. It is usually accompanied with native copper, malachite, and brown iron-ochre. It is sometimes also found with copper-green, tile-ore, copper-pyrites, copper-glance, copper-azure, copper-black, and quartz, heavy-spar, and calc-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in several of the mines in Cornwall; in Upper Hungary; Bannat; Saxony; Silesia; Salzburg; Westerwald; Rheinbreidenbach near Cologne; Hartz; Italy; Sweden; Norway; Siberia; Peru; Chili.

*Use.*



*Use.*

As it contains about 90 *per cent.* of copper, it is smelted as an ore of copper.

*Observations.*

1. The name of the *species* is derived from its colour; that of the *subspecies* from the kind of fracture.

2. It is distinguished from copper-glance by its colour; from red silver-ore by its crystallizations, and accompanying minerals; from cinnabar by its colour, weight, and accompanying minerals; from red antimony, by its colour, red antimony having a cherry-red colour.

## NINTH SPECIES.

## Tile-Ore.

Ziegelerz.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wid.* f. 760.—Brick-red Copper-Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 137.  
—Ziegelerz, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 549.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 219.  
—Mine de Cuivre couleur de brique, ou le Ziegelerz, *Broch.*  
t. 2. p. 187.—Ziegelerz, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 443.

It is subdivided into two subspecies: 1. Earthy;  
2. Indurated.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Earthy Tile-Ore.

Erdiches Ziegelerz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst. b. 1. f. 70.*—Earthy Brick-red Copper-Ore,  
*Kirw. vol. ii. p. 137.*—Erdiges Ziegelerz, *Estner, b. 3.*  
*f. 550.*—*Id. Emm. b. 2. f. 219.*—Le Ziegelerz terreuse,  
*Broch. t. 2. p. 187.*—Erdiges Ziegelerz, *Reufs, b. 3. f. 443.*

*External Characters.*

Colour hyacinth-red, sometimes also brownish-red, which passes into a reddish-brown, that borders on yellowish-brown.

Is intermediate between friable and solid.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and incrusting copper-pyrites.

Is composed of dull dusty particles; but of earthy particles, when it is massive.

Soils slightly.

Is almost always coherent; some varieties incline to solid.

Heavy.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Occurs in veins, and is usually accompanied with native-copper and malachite, and sometimes with red copper-ore.

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At Rezbanya it occurs along with earthy copper-green, malachite and calc-spar; in mines in the Bannat, with copper-pyrites, compact and foliated red copper-ore, fahl-ore or grey copper-ore, compact malachite, ochrey ironstone, flaggy iron-shot copper-green and native copper; at Falkenstein in the Tyrol, with flaggy copper-green, malachite, fahl-ore or grey copper-ore; copper-azure, calc-spar and quartz.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Indurated Tile-Ore.

Festes Ziegelerz.—*Werner*.

Its colour is intermediate between hyacinth-red and brownish-red, which passes on the one hand into a kind of lead-grey, and even into dark steel-grey; on the other hand, into a middle colour between blackish-brown and reddish-brown.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally glimmering.

Fracture intermediate between even and large conchoidal, and sometimes passes into small conchoidal.

The reddish variety, which has the weakest lustre, is usually flat conchoidal; the darker variety, which has the strongest lustre, (it is called Pecherz), passes into small conchoidal.

Fragments



Fragments indeterminately angular, more or less sharp-edged.

Streak somewhat shining.

Semihard, passing into soft.

Rather brittle.

Pretty easily frangible.

Slightly heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it becomes black, but is infusible without addition. To borax it communicates a dirty-green colour.

*Constituent Parts.*

Werner considers it to be an intimate combination of red copper-ore and brown iron-ochre. It contains from 10 to 50 *per cent.* of copper.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs in veins, and is usually accompanied with copper-pyrites, fibrous malachite and iron-ochre.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Rudnobanya, Dopschau, &c. in Hungary; Bannat; at Saalfeld and Blankenberg in Thuringia, and Voightland in the electorate of Saxony; Naila in Bareuth; Rheinbreitenbach in the former archbishopric of Cologne; Westerwald; Kupferberg in Silesia; Lauterberg in the

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Hartz; Höllenthal near Werfen in Salzburg; Aradals copper-work in Norway; Siberia; Chili.

*Observations.*

1. The red varieties contain the greatest quantity of copper, and the brown the greatest quantity of iron.

2. It is rather a common ore of copper, and occurs almost always where red copper-ore is found.

3. It passes sometimes, by increase of the quantity of brown iron-ochre, into brown ironstone.

4. Its name is derived from its colour, and that of the subspecies from its state of cohesion.

5. The dark-brown variety of indurated tile-ore, on account of the resemblance of its fracture to pitch, has been denominated *Pitch-ore*, (*Pecherz*), and is, although unnecessarily, described by Eftner as a distinct species of copper-ore.

TENTH SPECIES.

Copper-Azure.

Kupferlazur.—*Werner*.

This species is divided into two subspecies;  
1. Earthy; 2. Indurated.

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## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Earthy Copper-Azure.

Erdiche Kupferlazur.—*Werner*.

Erdiche Kupferlazur, *Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 92. — *Id. Wid.* f. 762. — Earthy Mountain-blue, *Kirwan*. vol. ii. p. 129. — Erdiche Kupferlazur, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 560. — *Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 246. — L'Azur de Cuivre terreux, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 191. — Gemeine Kupferlazur, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 449.

*External Characters.*

Colour smalt-blue.

Is usually friable, seldom massive, often disseminated and thinly coating.

Is composed of dull and fine dusty particles.

Does not soil, or at most very faintly.

Is almost always cohering.

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it becomes black, but does not melt; it dissolves in glass of borax with violent ebullition, and communicates to it a green colour. It dissolves in acids with much effervescence.

*Constituent Parts.*

Copper,	69
Carbonic acid,	29
Water,	2
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	100

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*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in small quantity, and is usually accompanied with malachite and copper-green. In Silesia, it is found incrusting bituminous marl slate; in Thuringia, coating varieties of the old red sandstone; and in Siberia, disseminated in sandstone.

*Geographic Situation.*

Bannat; Transilvania; Tyrol; Thalitter in Hesse; Darmstadt; at Saalfeld, Sangerhausen, Bottendorf, and Eisleben in Thuringia; Leogang, Brexenthal in Salzburg; Hasel, Prausnitz, &c. in Silesia; West Galicia; Norway; Siberia.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Indurated or radiated Copper-Azure.

Feste Kupferlazur.—*Werner.*

Strahlige Kupferlazur, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 89. — *Id. Wid.* f. 764. — Striated Mountain-blue, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 130. — Strahlige Kupferlazur, *Estner,* b. 3. f. 564. — *Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 249. — L'Azur de Cuivre rayonné, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 192. — Strachliche Kupferlazur, *Reufs,* b. 3. f. 453.

*External Characters.*

Its principal colour is azure-blue; it occurs also Berlin blue, and blackish blue, and very seldom inclines to smalt-blue. These colours are of different



ferent degrees of intensity, and they all appear to possess a slight tinge of red.

Occurs seldom massive, disseminated, and as a coating; sometimes in membranes, more frequently botryoidal, small reniform, stalactitic, cellular, but most frequently crystallized.

Its crystallizations are the following:

1. Broad rectangular four-sided prism, pretty acutely acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the lateral edges, and the lateral edges are sometimes truncated.
2. Oblique four-sided prism, with two opposite smaller and two larger lateral planes, which is either perfect or acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes. Sometimes the prism is so broad, that figures resembling four or six sided tables are formed. When the truncations on the lateral edges of the prism become large, an eight-sided prism is formed, in which the acuminating planes are set on the smaller lateral planes. When two of the acuminating planes are small in comparison with the others, the acumination terminates in a line or edge; and if two of these planes entirely disappear, a bevelment is formed, in which the beveling planes are set on the diagonally opposite lateral edges.

3. Werner



3. Werner mentions also a broad rhomboidal crystal, as occurring in this mineral.

The crystals are sometimes singly superimposed, more frequently aggregated on one another, intersecting one another, also in thin drusy vesicles, and are said also to occur aggregated in scopiform, globular, and budlike shapes.

The smaller lateral planes of the rectangular four-sided prism are longitudinally streaked; the broader transversely streaked: the lateral planes of the oblique four-sided prism are longitudinally streaked, but the planes of alteration in the truncating planes are smooth.

The particular external shapes have always a drusy surface.

Externally, the crystallized varieties are shining, but the massive and particular external shapes are dull.

Internally, it is shining and glistening, and its lustre is intermediate between vitreous and resinous.

Fracture narrow, straight, and scopiform radiated, and sometimes imperfect foliated. Said also to occur with small conchoidal fracture.

The fragments of the radiated varieties are wedge-shaped; those of the foliated and conchoidal splintery.

It is usually unseparated. It sometimes, however, shews distinct concretions; the foliated occurs in small and fine granular distinct concretions;



tions ; and the reniform, botryoidal and stalactitic in curved lamellar distinct concretions, which are bent in the direction of the external surface.

The crystals are translucent, passing into semi-transparent, and are sometimes only translucent on the edges.

It retains its colour in the streak, only becomes a little lighter.

Soft.

Rather brittle.

Heavy in a low degree, approaching to not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.6082, *Briffon* ; 3.231, *Wiedemann* ; 3.400, *Bindheim*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Soluble in nitrous acid with effervescence. Before the blow-pipe, it is nearly infusible without addition, but with glass of borax it is easily reduced, and we obtain a globule of pure copper. The borax acquires a beautiful green colour.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Copper, from	66	to	70
Carbonic acid,	18	to	20
Oxygen,	8	to	10
Water,	2	to	2
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	94	to	102

According to *Pelletier*.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

The minerals of this species occur more frequently in floetz than primitive mountains, and in the latter case more in those of a newer formation. Thus, at Catharinenburg in Bohemia, and in the electorate of Triers, it occurs in gneiss; at Kleingabel near Pries in Lower Hungary, in mica-slate, passing to clay-slate; at Zellerfeld in the Hartz in grey-wacke; in the limestone mountains of the Tyrol; in the floetz limestone of Krakau in Lower Saxony, and in the sandstone of the Uralian mountains.

There are two principal formations of this species; the one occurs at Saalfeld and in the Tyrol; and the other in the dutchy of Wurtemberg, and in the principality of Nassau, and in several other places.

At Leadhills, in Scotland, it is accompanied with lead-glance, ochre of manganese, lead-earth, sparry ironstone, calamine, ochrey brown ironstone, iron-pyrites, brown hematite, green lead-ore, white lead-ore and lead-vitriol.

In Hungary, it is accompanied with copper-pyrites, malachite, copper-green, grey copper-ore, and iron-ochre; in the Bannat, which produces very beautiful specimens, it is accompanied with fibrous malachite, earthy tile-ore, compact red copper-ore, iron-ochre, copper-green, and asbestous actynolite; near



near Laak in Upper Carniola, with quartz and malachite: In the district of Kamfdorf, in Saxony, it is accompanied with yellow and brown iron-ochre, iron-shot copper-green, and other ores of copper; at Saalfeld in Thuringia, with straight lamellar heavy-spar, fahl-ore or grey copper-ore, malachite, iron-shot copper-green, tile ore, and iron-ochre; at Kupferberg, in Silesia, with brown-spar and malachite: the Siberian, which rivals that of the Bannat in beauty, is accompanied with copper-green, malachite, tile-ore, green and white-lead ores, brown-ironstone, heavy-spar and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

Besides the preceding localities, the following are mentioned by mineralogists: Wheal Virgin and Carrarch in Cornwall; Moschellandsberg in Deux Ponts; Thalitter in Heffia; Zellerfeld and Blankenberg in the Hartz; Schwartzleogang and Brixenthal, in Salzburg; Miedziana Gora in West Gallicia, where specimens of great beauty are found; Arendahl in Norway; in the government of Olnetz in Ruffia; Chili.

*Use.*

This species is not only used as an ore of copper, but also as a blue colour, (called Mountain-Blue), of which there is a manufactory at Schwatz in the Tyrol.



*Observations.*

1. The Armenian Stone of the Ancients, which was brought from Armenia, is a limestone impregnated with earthy copper azure, and in which copper and iron pyrites are sometimes disseminated.

2. This species is known, in the best English works on mineralogy, under the name *Mountain Blue*, a term which intimates that it has a blue colour, and is found in mountains, or that it has a blue colour, resembling that of distant mountains. I prefer the name *Copper-Azure*, not only because it is more expressive, but also because it is conformable with the nomenclature I have adopted. Copper-azure signifies, that the most striking feature in the external aspect of the mineral is its azure-blue colour, and that from its external characters, and affinities with other minerals, that it belongs to the copper genus.

## ELEVENTH SPECIES.

Malachite.

Malachit.—*Werner*.

This species is divided into two subspecies. 1. Fibrous. 2. Compact.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Fibrous Malachite.

Fafricher Malachit.

*Ærugo nativa crystallifata*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 287.—*Fafrige Malachit*,



chit, *Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 92.—*Id. Wid.* f. 768.—Fibrous Malachite, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 131.—Fafriger Malachit, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 577.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 254.—Cuivre vert soyeux, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 571.—575.—La Malachite fibreuse, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 197.—Fafriger Malachit, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 461.

### *External Characters.*

Its most common colour is perfect emerald green, sometimes inclining to grass-green, and sometimes passing to dark leek-green.

Is seldom massive, sometimes disseminated, most frequently as a coating, and frequently crystallized in short, capillary and acicular crystals, which appear to be prisms\*. When they are very short, they form velvety drusy pellicles; and when longer, they are scopiformly aggregated.

Internally, it is intermediate between glistening and glimmering, and its lustre is pearly or silky.

Fracture extremely delicate, and usually scopiform, fibrous; sometimes it is coarse fibrous. In some varieties, the coarse fibrous borders on, and even passes into narrow radiated.

### Fragments

\* *Estner* adds, that it occurs, 1. In oblique four-sided prisms, which are, *a*, perfect; but sometimes so thin, that they have a tabular appearance. *b*. Bevelled on the extremities, and the bevelling planes set either on the opposite lateral planes, or the obtuse lateral edges; and the bevelling planes are sometimes so large, that they reach to the middle of the crystal.

2. Six sided prisms bevelled on the extremities.

3. Acute three-sided prisms, which have their terminal edges truncated.



Fragments, wedge-shaped and splintery.

It occurs in large and coarse, sometimes longish, granular distinct concretions, which sometimes pass into thick and short wedge-shaped distinct concretions.

The crystals are strongly translucent, but the massive varieties only translucent on the edges.

Is soft, and very soft.

Streak somewhat lighter.

Not particularly brittle, approaching to sectile.

Is not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.5718, *Briffon*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it decrepitates and becomes black, but is infusible without addition. It melts with borax, to which it communicates a dark yellowish-green colour: It effervesces with acids, and forms a blue-coloured solution with ammonia.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Copper,	58.	Oxide of copper,	60
Oxygen,	18.	— of iron,	10
Carbonic acid,	12.5	Carbonic acid,	5
Water,	11.5	Water,	5
	—	Silica,	20
<i>Klaproth.</i>	100		—
		<i>Tromsdorf.</i>	100

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs most frequently in the newer primitive



tive and floetz mountains ; and is very frequently accompanied with copper-azure.

In Hungary, it is found accompanied with copper-pyrites, copper-azure, compact red copper-ore, compact and fibrous brown ironstone, quartz and calc-spar ; in the Bannat, with copper-azure, and tile-ore ; at Lauterberg in the Hartz, with copper-pyrites, compact brown ironstone, and tile-ore ; on the Buchberg, near Landshut, it occurs, although very seldom, with calc-spar in basalt ; in the mine of Ulve in Norway, with magnetic ironstone, copper-pyrites, and fahl-ore : the Siberian fibrous malachite, which is very beautiful, is accompanied with tile-ore, foliated red copper-ore, copper-azure, compact copper-glance, copper-green, brown ironstone, green lead-ore, brown-spar, and amethyst.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

Besides the localities already mentioned, the following may be added. Several mines in Cornwall and Derbyshire, and those near Sandlodge in the Mainland, one of the Shetland islands ; also in Upper Hungary ; at Freyberg, Grofskamf-dorf, Voightsberg and Falkenberg in the electorate of Saxony ; Bareuth ; Nassau ; Bulach in Wurtemberg ; Trarbach in Deux Ponts ; Zellerfeld and Clausthal in the Hartz ; Salzburg ; in the government of Olnetz in Russia ; in the gold mines of Beresowfki in Siberia ; Chili.



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Compact Malachite.

Dichter Malachit.—*Werner*.

*Ærugo nativa fissilis, stalactitica, solida, Wall. t. 2. p. 287.*—*Dichter Malachit, Werner, Pabst b. 1. f. 94. — Id. Wid. f. 770.*—*Compact Malachite, Kirw. vol. ii. p. 132.*—*Dichter Malachit, Eßner, b. 3. f. 586. — Id. Emm. b. 2. f. 256.*—*Cuivre carbonaté vert concretioné, Haüy — La Malachite compacte, Broch. t. 2. p. 199.*—*Dichter Malachit, Reusch, b. 3. f. 467.*

*External Characters.*

Its most common colour is emerald-green, which inclines to verdigris-green, and even in the same specimen is of different degrees of intensity. Its external surface, and that of the distinct concretions, is commonly tarnished greenish-white, (or covered with a very thin rind or crust,) and is more or less marked with stripes of a darker colour.

Occurs sometimes massive, disseminated, and in membranes; most frequently reniform and botryoidal, frequently tuberoso, stalactitic, fruticose and also cellular and amorphous, and crystallized in rectangular four sided prisms, acutely acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes.

Externally rough and dull, and sometimes marked with dendrites.

Internally



Internally it passes, according to the kind of fracture, from shining, through glistening to glimmering; it is even sometimes dull, but it is most commonly glimmering. Its lustre is silky.

Fracture sometimes extremely delicate and scopiform fibrous, which passes into even, and this into flat and small conchoidal, which sometimes passes into small-grained uneven.

The conchoidal varieties are shining and glistening, and appear to pass into copper-green, but the fibrous border on fibrous malachite.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Occurs almost always in thin lamellar distinct concretions, which are bent in the direction of the external surface; also in large, coarse and small granular distinct concretions.

The surface of the concretions is rough and dull, and apparently covered with a thin green film. The intensity of the colour is different in the individual lamellar distinct concretions, and hence this subspecies has usually a striped aspect.

It is opaque, or very faintly translucent on the edges.

Soft, passing into semihard.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

It retains its colour in the streak, only becomes somewhat paler.

It



It is heavy in a low degree, approaching to not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.500, 3.994, *Muschenbröck*; 3.653, *Kirwan*; 3.6412, *Briffon*.

Its chemical characters and constituent parts are nearly the same with the preceding subspecies.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in similar formations with the fibrous malachite. At Herrngrund it occurs usually in grey-wacke; in the Bannat it is accompanied with compact and foliated red copper-ore, earthy tile-ore, copper-azure, copper-black, iron-ochre; in the Tyrol it occurs in compact limestone, and is accompanied with copper-azure.

*Geographic Situation.*

At the Land's End, Carrarch, and other places in Cornwall; Miefs in Bohemia; Stiria; Salzburg; Kamfdorf, &c. in the electorate of Saxony; Kupferberg, Rudelstadt, Konradswaldau, &c. in Silesia; Westerwald; Blankenburg in the Hartz; Dauphiny in France; Arragon in Spain; West Gallicia; Sweden; Norway; in the Uralian Mountains in Siberia, where the crystallized variety, and most beautiful specimens of the other varieties are found; in the land of the Namaquas in Southern Africa; Chili.

*Use.*

Independent of its use as an ore of copper, it is also



also when pure employed as a green pigment. The compact varieties receive a beautiful polish, and present an agreeable colour, and hence are used in jewellery. Its softness, however, renders it less valuable than it would otherwise have been.

*Observations.*

1. Both subspecies usually occur together.
2. The name of the species is derived from its resemblance in colour to the leaves of the Mallow or Poplar; and that of the subspecies from the aspect of the fracture.
3. The minerals of this species are almost always mixed with other ores of copper, as copper-azure, copper-pyrites, red copper-ore, copper-glance, tile-ore, &c.
4. Mr Patrin observed at Petersburg a plate of malachite about 32 inches long, and 17 inches broad, which was valued at 20,000 livres.

TWELFTH SPECIES.

Copper-Green.

Kupfergrün.—*Werner.*

*Ærugo nativa granulata et superficialis, Wall. t. 2. p. 287. & 288.—Kupfergrün, Wern. Pabst. 1. b. f. 96.—Id. Wid. f. 772.*

*—Mountain Green, Kirw. vol. ii. p. 134.—Kupfergrün,*

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*Estner,*



*Estner*, b. 3. f. 595.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 260.—Oxide vert de Cuivre, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 187.—Cuivre carbonaté vert pulvérulent, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 573.—Le vert de Cuivre, ou la Chrysofolle, *Broch*, t. 2. p. 203. — Kupfergrün, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 477.

*External Characters.*

Its principal colour is verdigris-green, of different degrees of intensity, which in some varieties passes into emerald-green, and sometimes, in the varieties that pass into the next species, inclines to leek-green.

Occurs usually massive, disseminated, and coating malachite, and sometimes small reniform and small botryoidal.

Internally shining, passing into glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture small conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, more or less sharp-edged.

It is always unseparated.

It is sometimes more or less translucent, sometimes even semitransparent; sometimes only translucent on the edges.

Is soft and very soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

It is intermediate between heavy and not particularly heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

It blackens before the blow-pipe, but without being



being fused. It communicates a green colour to borax; is soluble in acids, with a very feeble or no effervescence.

*Constituent Parts.*

It has not hitherto been carefully analyzed: by some it is considered to be a compound of oxide of copper, alumina, and calcareous earth; others assert that it is carbonat of copper.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is found in the same geognostic situation as malachite, and is usually accompanied with copper-pyrites, tile-ore, fahl or grey copper ore, and malachite. It is often also mixed with ochre of iron and quartz; in Cornwall it is accompanied with oliven-ore; at the Kupferhügel near Kupferberg in Bohemia, with iron-pyrites, copper-pyrites, magnetic pyrites, arsenical pyrites, ochrey and compact brown ironstone, and iron-shot copper-green; at Catharinenberg with copper-pyrites, variegated copper-ore, black-blende, common iron-glance, compact and ochrey red ironstone, brown-spar, copper-glance, fahl or grey copper ore, and native silver; at Zinnwald with tinstone, wolfram, tungsten, copper and iron pyrites, arsenical pyrites, copper-glance, common lead-glance, fluor-spar, quartz, &c.; at Spitz in Austria, it occurs along with indurated tile-ore: in Upper Hungary with tile-ore, compact malachite, compact red copper-ore, and



and white lead-ore ; at Herrngrund in Lower Hungary with fahl or grey copper ore, malachite and gyps, in grey-wacke ; in the Bannat, where it formerly occurred in great beauty, it was accompanied with copper-azure, malachite, copper-black, foliated-red copper-ore, tile-ore, and copper-pyrites in clay-porphry ; at Falkenstein in the Tyrol, it is found in compact limestone, with fahl or grey copper-ore, and earthy tile-ore ; in Siberia with copper-azure, compact and foliated red copper-ore, native-copper, copper-black, malachite, tile-ore, iron-ochre, and brown-spar in sandstone.

*Geographic Situation.*

Besides the localities already mentioned, the following may be added : Krieglach in Stiria ; Kamfdorf, Altenberg, and Voightberg in the electorate of Saxony ; Neudorf in the principality of Liegnitz ; Kupferberg, Prausnitz in Silesia ; Miedziana Gora in West Gallicia ; Christophthal in Wurtemberg ; Andreasberg in the Hartz ; Aardal in Norway ; Alcoraya in America ; and China.

*Observations.*

1. It is often confounded with malachite, from which, however, it is well distinguished by colour, conchoidal fracture, and transparency ; its scarcely observable effervescence with acids, also distinguishes it from malachite.

2. It



2. It passes sometimes to malachite, and sometimes to iron-shot copper-green.

3. *Cronsted* was not acquainted with true Malachite: what he describes under that name is Copper-Green.

4. It is one of the rarest species of copper-ore.

### THIRTEENTH SPECIES.

Iron-Shot Copper-Green.

Eisenschüffliges Kupfergrün.—*Werner*.

It is divided into two subspecies: 1. Earthy Iron-shot Copper-green: 2. Slaggy Iron-shot Copper-green.

#### FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Earthy Iron-Shot Copper-Green.

Erdiches eisenschüffliches Kupfergrün.—*Werner*.

*Id.* *Werner*, *Pabst.* t. 1. f. 96.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 773.—Earthy Iron-shot Mountain-green, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 151.—Erdiches eisenschüffliches Kupfergrün, *Estner*, b. 3. f. 605.—*Id.* *Emm.* b. 2. f. 262.—Le vert de Cuivre ferrugineux terreux, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 205.—Erdiges eisenschüfflig-Kupfergrün, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 482.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour olive-green, which sometimes passes into pistachio-green.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Dull.

Fracture earthy.

Soils a little.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Opaque.

Retains its colour in the streak, only it becomes somewhat paler.

Very soft, passing into friable,

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Slaggy Iron-Shot Copper-Green.

Schlackiges eisenschuffiges Kupfergrün.--*Werner.*

*Id. Werner, Pabst. b. 1. f. 97.—Id. Wid. f. 775.—Glassy Iron-shot Mountain-green, Kirw. vol. ii. p. 152.—Schlackiges eisenschuffiges Kupfergrün, Estner, b. 3. f. 606.—Id. Emm. b. 2. f. 263.—Le Vert de, Cuivre ferrugineux scoriacé, Broch. t. 2. p. 206.—Schlackiges eisenschuffiges Kupfergrün, Reufs, b. 3. f. 483.*

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour dark-olive and pistachio-green, which passes into dark blackish-green, verging on greenish-black.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally shining and glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture small conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, more or less sharp-edged.

Is opaque.

Becomes paler in the streak.

Soft verging on very soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

*Constituent Parts.*

No exact analysis has been hitherto made of this species. According to Werner, it is an intimate combination of copper-green and ochrey-brown ironstone.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Both subspecies usually occur together, and they frequently pass into each other. They are usually accompanied with copper-green, copper-azure and malachite; frequently also with fahl or grey copper



copper ore, foliated copper-glance, tile-ore, ochrey and compact brown ironstone, compact red copper-ore, native copper, quartz, and straight lamellar heavy-spar.

At Saalfeld, in Thuringia, it occurs along with malachite, copper-azure, copper-green, copper-pyrites, fahl or grey copper ore, yellow and brown cobalt-ochre, cobalt-bloom, cobalt-crust and straight lamellar heavy-spar: In Cornwall, it is usually accompanied with oliven-ore; at Saska in the Bannat, with copper-green, compact and red copper-ore; and in Siberia with tile-ore, brown ironstone, malachite, fahl or grey copper ore, red copper-ore, native copper, green and white lead ores, and native silver.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

Huelcarter in Cornwall; Kupferhugel in Bohemia; Kleingabel, near Pries in Lower Hungary; Ringelweschel in the Tyrol; Kamsdorf and Saalfeld in Thuringia, in the electorate of Saxony; Lauterberg in the Hartz; Bulach and Freudstadt in Wurtemberg; Brixenthal, Leogang, Brunnalpe in Salzburg; Island of Elba; Miedziana Gora in West Galicia; in the government of Olnetz in Russia; in several of the Siberian mines; Chili.

#### *Observations.*

I. Mr Kirwan suspects, from its olive-green colour, that it may contain arsenic acid. Heorgen says,



says, that he convinced himself of the presence of this acid in many varieties, and proposes to consider it as a subspecies of oliven-ore.

## FOURTEENTH SPECIES.

## Copper-Emerald.

Kupfer-Schmaragd.—*Werner*.

*Emeraudine*, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 230.—*Diopase*, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 136.

—*Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 511.—*Kupferschmaragd*, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 472.

*External Characters.*

Colour emerald-green.

Occurs crystallized in six-sided prisms, which are pretty acutely acuminate on both extremities by three planes, which are set, unconformably wise, on the alternate lateral edges.

The lateral planes are smooth.

Externally and internally it is shining, and its lustre is vitreous.

Has a threefold cleavage, and the folia are parallel with the lateral edges of the acumination.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

It is translucent, passing to semitransparent.

Semih rd.

Brittle.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.850, *La Metherie*; 3.300.

*Haüy*.

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Chemical



*Chemical Characters.*

According to Vauquelin, it becomes chestnut-brown before the blow-pipe, communicates to the flame a greenish-yellow colour, resembling that produced by copper, and is infusible without addition. When melted with borax, it gives a globule of copper.

*Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of copper,	25.57
Carbonat of lime,	42.85
Silica,	28.57
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*Vauquelin.*

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found, according to Hermann, in the land of the Kirguise, some hundred wersts from the Russian frontier. According to Pallas, it is found in the mountain arm, called Altin-de-Karassu, which stretches westwards from the Altai. According to Patrin, it is also found on the Chinese frontiers. Inguersfen informs us, that it occurs in a vein, accompanied with malachite.

*Observation.*

The name *Copper-Emerald* intimates that this mineral, in its general, aspect resembles emerald; and in its natural characters and affinities, fossils of the copper genus.

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## FIFTEENTH SPECIES.

## Copper-Mica.

Kupferglimmer.—*Werner*.

Blättriges Olivenerz, *Karsten, Journ. de Phys.* an 10. p. 348.  
 —Arseniate of Copper in hexahedral laminæ, with inclined  
 fides, *Bournon, Phil. Trans.* Part I. 1801. — Blättriches Oli-  
 venerz, *Reufs*, b. 3. f. 504.

*External Characters.*

Colour emerald-green, which in some varieties  
 inclines to verdigris-green.

Occurs massive, disseminated, seldom crystallized  
 in very thin six-sided tables, which are bevelled  
 on the terminal planes.

Externally smooth and splendid.

Internally it is splendid, and its lustre is pearly.

Fracture perfect foliated, with a single cleavage.

Fragments indeterminately angular and tabular.

Occurs in coarse and small granular distinct con-  
 cretions.

The massive varieties are translucent; the cry-  
 stallized transparent.

Soft, scratches gyps slightly, but not calc-spar.

Sectile.

Not particularly brittle.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.5488.

*Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of copper,	39
Arsenic acid,	43
Water,	17

*Vauquelin.* ... —

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*Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It has hitherto occurred only in veins in Cornwall, where it is accompanied with copper-pyrites, copper-glance, variegated copper-ore, copper-black, compact and fibrous malachite, iron-shot copper-green, copper-green, copper-azure, indurated tile-ore, and brown iron-ochre.

*Observations.*

This mineral is known in English works on Mineralogy under the name Foliated Arseniat of Copper. To preserve uniformity in the nomenclature, chemical names, wherever it is possible, should be rejected; therefore, in the present case, I use the term *Copper-mica*, which implies that the mineral in its external aspect resembles mica, and that from its natural alliances it belongs to the copper genus. It may be said that this mineral might, with more propriety, be denominated Micaceous Copper-ore. To this I answer, that, independent of the shortness and distinctness of the term here employed, and its uniformity with the language used throughout this work, it is sanctioned by the practice and authority of the first English mineralogist, who uses Iron-Sand in place of Arenaceous Iron-ore, Martial or Iron-earth in place of Earthy Iron-ore, and Mountain-green in place of Green Copper-ore.

SIXTEENTH



## SIXTEENTH SPECIES.

Lenticular Ore.

Linsenerz.—*Werner*.

Arseniate of Copper, in the form of an obtuse octahedron,  
*Phil. Transf.* Part I. 1801.

*External Characters.*

Colour sky-blue, which sometimes passes into verdigris-green.

Occurs crystallized in small and very small, and very flat double four-sided pyramids.

Externally shining.

Fracture foliated in the direction of the planes.

Is translucent.

Very soft\*.

Rather brittle.

Uncommonly easily frangible.

Specific gravity, 2.8819, *Bournon*.

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in Cornwall.

## SEVENTEENTH SPECIES.

Oliven-Ore.

Olivenerz.—*Werner*.

This species is divided into two subspecies,  
 1. Foliated; 2. Fibrous.

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\* *Count de Bournon* says, that it is harder than calc-spar, but softer than fluor-spar.



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Foliated Oliven-Ore.

Blättriches Olivenerz.—*Werner.*

Colour perfect olive-green, sometimes inclining to oil-green and leek-green, and rarely passing to pistachio-green.

Occurs seldom massive, usually in drusy crusts, and in small crystals which present the following varieties:

1. Very acute rhomboid, either perfect or with truncated angles.
2. Oblique four-sided prism.

The planes of the crystals are smooth, shining and splendent.

Internally it is glistening, passing into shining, and its lustre is adamantine.

Fracture imperfect foliated.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

The massive varieties occur in coarse and small granular distinct concretions.

Translucent, but the crystals are sometimes semitransparent.

It gives a straw-yellow streak.

Is very soft.

Sectile.

Heavy in a low degree.

Specific gravity, 4.2809, *Bournon.*

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Arfenic acid,	30
Oxide of copper,	54
Water,	16
	—
<i>Chenevix.</i>	100

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in Cornwall.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Fibrous Oliven-Ore.

Fafriges Olivenperz.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is olive-green of different degrees of intensity. The darker varieties border on blackish-green, the lighter pass into pistachio-green and liver-brown. The massive varieties pass, on the one side, into liver-brown; on the other side, into greenish-white.

It sometimes presents spotted and striped colour delineations.

Occurs massive, reniform, and crystallized in acicular and capillary crystals. The acicular crystals are in the shape of very oblique four-sided prisms, which are bevelled on both extremities, and the bevelling planes are set on the acuter lateral edges.

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The crystals are small and very small, and externally shining.

Internally the massive varieties are glistening, with an adamantine lustre.

Fracture delicate and scopiform fibrous.

Fragments indeterminately angular, wedge-shaped.

It occurs sometimes in coarse granular, sometimes in curved lamellar, distinct concretions, which traverse the former; and such varieties have a strong resemblance to brown hematite and Cornish tin-ore.

Translucent on the edges.

Soft, verging on semihard. Some varieties, according to Bournon, are so hard as to scratch fluor-spar.

Rather brittle.

Heavy in a low degree.

Specific gravity, 4.2809, *Bournon*.

*Constituent Parts.*

*Crystallized varieties.*

Arsenic acid,	39.7
Oxide of copper,	60.0
	—
<i>Chenevix.</i>	99.7

*Capillary.*

Arsenic acid,	29
Oxide of copper,	51
Water,	18
	—
<i>Chenevix.</i>	98

*Hæmatitiform.*

	29
	50
	21
	—
<i>Chenevix.</i>	100

*Geographic*



*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in Cornwall.

*Observations.*

1. The name of the species is derived from its colour, that of the subspecies from the aspect of the fracture.

2. I use the name *Oliven-Ore*, in place of Olive Copper-ore, to preserve uniformity in the nomenclature.

## SIXTH GENUS.

## IRON GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Native Iron.

Gediegen Eisen.—*Werner.*

Ferrum nativum, *Wall.* t. 2. — Fer natif, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 165. — Gediegen Eisen, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 129. — *Id. Wid.* f. 781. — Native Iron, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 156. — Gediegen Eisen, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 271. — Fer natif, *La Meth.* t. 1. p. 216. — *Id. Haüy,* t. 4. p. 1.—9. — *Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 214. — Gediegen Eisen, *Reufs,* b. 4. f. 9.

*External Characters.*

Colour light steel-grey, which inclines to silver-white, almost like platina. It is usually covered with a brownish crust of iron-ochre.

Has been hitherto found only ramose.

Its surface is smooth and glistening.

Internally it is intermediate between glimmering and glistening, and its lustre is perfect metallic.

Fracture hackly.

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... Fragments



Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.  
 Yields a splendid streak.

It is intermediate between soft and semihard,  
 but more inclining to the first.

Is perfect malleable,

Common flexible.

Difficultly frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to Mr Howard, the native iron found  
 in Siberia, South America, and Senegal, contains a  
 portion of nickel. The American contains 0.10;  
 the Siberian 0.17; Senegambian 0.5 to 0.6.

*Klaproth* has communicated the following ana-  
 lyses of what he terms Meteoric and True Native  
 Iron.

I. Meteoric Iron.

1. Slavonian,	96.5	iron.
	3.5	nickel.
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	100.0	
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2. Siberian,	98.5	iron.
	1.5	nickel.
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	100.0	

2. True Native Iron,

from the mine, called Johannes, near Kamfdorf in Saxony:

Iron,	92.5
Lead,	6.0
Copper,	1.50
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	100.0

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It has been hitherto found only in loose masses on the surface of the earth, and is usually covered with a brownish-coloured rust, and has intermixed an asparagus-green coloured mineral, which is supposed to be of the nature of olivine \*. It is said also to have been found imbedded in brown ironstone, sparry ironstone, and heavy-spar, at Kamfdorf †, with clay and hematite at Eibenstock ‡, and with brown ironstone, and quartz, in a vein in the mountain of Oulle, in the vicinity of Grenoble §; but none of these instances are sufficiently supported by accurate observation.

*Geographic Situation.*

Pallas discovered a mass of native iron about 1680 pounds weight, on the summit of a mountain, on which there was a considerable bed of magnetic ironstone, on the banks of the great river Jenisei in Siberia. The Indians in the district of St Jago del Estro in South America, discovered a mass of native iron, which is calculated to weigh about three hundredweight. This remarkable  
mass

\* This olivine-like mineral, according to *Howard*, affords the following constituent parts:

Silica 54; Magnesia 27; Oxide of iron 17; Oxide of nickel 1.

† Charpentier, *Mineralog. Geographie der Chursächs Lande*, f. 343.

‡ *Werner's Pabst*. b. 1. f. 130.

§ Schreiber, *Journal de Physique*, Juillet 1792.



mass is described in the London Transactions by Don Rubin de Celis. *Barrow* mentions a mass of iron, which he observed on the banks of the Great Fish River in the country of the Caffres, but its true nature is very problematical. There is preserved in the imperial cabinet of minerals at Vienna, a mass of native iron, which weighs seventy-one pounds, which was found in Slavonia, and is said to have fallen from the atmosphere.

*Observations.*

1. It was formerly disputed whether or not it was a natural or artificial product. The magnitude of the masses which have been discovered in America and Siberia, the olivine-like mineral with which they are intermixed, and which has no resemblance to iron-slag\*, and their chemical composition demonstrate, that it is not artificial. It therefore remains to be determined, whether it has been formed by aqueous deposition, volcanic alteration, or if it be the produce of meteors. Its meteoric formation appears, at present, to be somewhat plausible; yet there is still so great a want of accurate information, that no opinion on the subject is of much value.

2. Should the existence of the Kamisdorf, Eibensstock and Oulle native iron be confirmed, we must also admit the formation of native iron by aqueous deposition.

SECOND

\* I do not know if the American iron contains the olivine-like mineral.



## SECOND SPECIES.

## Iron-Pyrites.

Schwefelkies.—*Werner*.

This species is divided into five subspecies, viz.

1. Common Iron Pyrites.
2. Radiated Pyrites.
3. Liver-Pyrites.
4. Cellular Pyrites.
5. Hair-Pyrites.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Common Iron-Pyrites.

Gemeiner Schwefelkies.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pab. b. 1. f. 130.—Id. Wid. f. 794.—Common Sulphur-Pyrites, Kirw. vol. ii. p. 76.—Gemeiner Schwefelkies, Emm. b. 2. f. 289.—Fer sulphurê, Haüy, t. 4. p. 65.-97.—La Pyrite martiale commune, Broch. t. 2. p. 221.—Gemeiner Schwefelkies, Reufs, b. 4. f. 14.*

*External Characters.*

Colour perfect bronze-yellow; seldom tarnished, reddish and brownish.

Occurs most commonly massive, disseminated, and in membranes; frequently also crystallized.

Its crystallizations are as follow:

1. Cube in which the planes are either straight or convex. It is the most common crystallization of this species.
2. Cube having all its angles truncated, and sometimes so deeply, that the crystal is intermediate between the cube and the octahedron.

3. Cube



3. Cube truncated on its edges, in such a manner that each truncation is more inclined towards one face than the other, and each face supports two opposite truncating planes.
4. Cube in which each angle is acuminated by three planes, which are set on the lateral edges. The summits of the acuminations are sometimes truncated.
5. Octahedron, which is either perfect, or more or less deeply truncated on all its angles; sometimes also bevelled on its angles.
6. Common dodecahedron.
7. Dodecahedron in which six opposite and parallel edges are truncated. It is the passage to the cube.
8. Dodecahedron in which six angles are truncated. It forms the passage to the icosaehedron.
9. Icosaehedron. This is very rare.
10. Leuzite crystallization, or the very acute double eight-sided pyramid, in which the lateral planes of the one are set on those of the other, and both extremities are acuminated by four planes, which are set on the alternate lateral edges.

The cube is middle-sized and small. The icosaehedron and dodecahedron only small.

The crystals are seldom single, particularly the cube which is variously aggregated.

The surface of the crystals is sometimes smooth, sometimes streaked, and it alternates from specular splendent to glistening.

Internally,



Internally, it is usually shining and glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture coarse, small, and fine-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

It is usually unseparated; sometimes, however, the massive varieties present fine granular distinct concretions.

It is hard.

Brittle.

Not particularly difficultly frangible.

Heavy.

When rubbed, or struck with steel, it emits a strong sulphureous smell.

Specific gravity,

Dodecahedral pyrites,	48.30,	<i>Hatchett.</i>
Pyrites in smooth-planed cubes,	4.831,	<i>Id.</i>
Pyrites from Freyberg,	4.682,	<i>Gellert.</i>
————— Cornwall,	4.789,	<i>Kirwan.</i>
Cubic pyrites,	4.600,	} <i>Briffon.</i>
<i>Id.</i>	4.7016,	

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it emits a strong sulphureous odour, and burns with a bluish flame. It afterwards changes into a brownish-coloured globule, which is attractable by the magnet, and, by continuance of the heat, passes into a blackish slag, which communicates a dirty-green colour to borax.

#### *Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Dodecahedral Pyrites.		Pyrites in striated Cubes.	
Sulphur,	52.15		52.50
Iron,	47.85		47.50
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Pyrites in smooth Cubes.			
Sulphur,	52.70		
Iron,	47.30		
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	100		

The above analyses were made by *Mr Hatchett*, with his usual consummate skill.

Some varieties, particularly those in striated cubes and dodecahedrons, contain a portion of gold, and hence have been named Auriferous Pyrites; other varieties contain silver.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in almost every species of mineral repository, and there is scarcely a rock in which it is not found. It occurs most commonly in granite.

Its geographic distribution is equally extensive, and therefore it would be superfluous to instance particular localities.

*Use.*

It is never worked as an ore of iron: it is principally valued on account of the sulphur which can be obtained from it by sublimation, and the iron



iron-vitriol, which it affords by exposure to the air, or gentle roasting. It was formerly cut into ornaments, but they are now out of use.

*Observations.*

It is distinguished from pale-yellow native gold by its brittleness, the gold being malleable; from copper-pyrites, by colour, crystallization, fracture, and hardness; from arsenical pyrites, by colour.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Radiated Pyrites.

Strahlkies.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 136.—*Id. Wid.* f. 797.—Striated Pyrites, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 78.—Strahlkies, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 293.—Fer sulphuré radié, *Haüy,* t. 4. p. 89.—La Pyrite rayonnée, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 225.—Strahlkies, *Reuß,* b. 4. f. 25.

*External Characters.*

Colour bronze-yellow, (which is usually paler than in common pyrites), which sometimes inclines to brass-yellow; its surface is tarnished.

Occurs massive, but most commonly reniform, tuberoso, globular, botryoidal, and also crystallized in octahedrons, which are sometimes equilateral and equiangular; sometimes acute and lengthened, and sometimes with deeply truncated angles,



thus forming a crystal which is intermediate between the cube and octahedron.

The crystals are usually small and often very small; externally shining and glistening, which inclines to glimmering.

Fracture narrow, short, straight, almost always scopiform, and sometimes stellular diverging, radiated.

It passes sometimes into fibrous, sometimes into compact.

Fragments wedge-shaped.

It occurs in coarse and large granular distinct concretions, and in each concretion the radii proceed from a point; also in thin and curved lamellar distinct concretions, which are bent in the direction of the external surface, and traverse the granular concretions; and, lastly, in thin columnar distinct concretions.

Hard.

Brittle.

Very easily frangible, and it breaks more easily in the direction of the lamellar than the granular concretions.

When rubbed, or struck with steel, it emits a sulphureous odour.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, from 4.698 to 4.775, *Hatchett*; 4.729, *Wiedemann*.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Sulphur,	53.60	54.34
Iron,	46.40	45.66
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	100	100

*Hatchett.**Hatchett.**Geognostic Situation.*

It is much rarer than common iron-pyrites, occurs principally in small masses, and in veins, which contain lead and silver ores. It is of an intermediate age between common and capillary or hair pyrites.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall, Isle of Sheppey, Derbyshire, &c.; Freyberg, Gerfsdorf, Schneeberg; Annaberg, Johanngeorgenstadt in Saxony; Bohemia; Zellerfeld and Goslar in the Hartz; Arendal in Norway; the Islands of Morn and Seeland in Denmark; Schlangenberg in Siberia.

*Observations.*

1. It decomposes more readily than common pyrites, particularly when it is exposed to a varying temperature in damp places, and then its surface becomes covered with greyish-white capillary iron-vitriol.

“ Mr *Proust* is of opinion, that the pyrites which contain the smallest quantity of sulphur, are

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are those which are most liable to vitriolization ; and, on the contrary, that those which contain the largest proportion, are the least affected by the air or weather. This opinion of the learned Professor, by no means accords with such observations as I have been able to make ; for the cubic, dodecahedral, and other regularly crystallized pyrites, are liable to oxidizement, so as to become what are called hepatic iron-ores, but not to vitriolization ; whilst the radiated pyrites (at least those of this country) are by much the most subject to the latter effect : and therefore, as the result of the preceding analyses show that the crystallized pyrites contain less sulphur than the radiated pyrites, I might be induced to adopt the contrary opinion. But I am inclined to attribute the effect of vitriolization, observed in some of the pyrites, not so much to the proportion as to the state of the sulphur in the compound ; for I much suspect, that a predisposition to vitriolization in these pyrites, is produced by a small portion of oxygen being previously combined with a part, or with the general mass of the sulphur, at the time of the original formation of these substances, so that the state of the sulphur is tending to that of oxide, and thus the accession of a farther addition of oxygen becomes facilitated." *Hatchett, Phil. Transf. 1804.*

THIRD



## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Liver-Pyrites, or Hepatic Pyrites.

Leberkies.—*Werner*.

Pyrites fuscus, *Wall.* b. 2. p. 133.—Pyrite hepaticque, *Rom. d. L.* t. 3. p. 265.—Leberkies, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 139.—*Id. Wid.* f. 800.—Hepatic Pyrites, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 83.—Leberkies, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 298.—Fer sulphuré décomposé, *Hauy,* t. 4. p. 95, 96.—La Pyrite hepaticque, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 228.—Leberkies, *Reufs,* b. 4. f. 29.

*External Characters.*

Colour very pale brassy-yellow, which inclines more or less to steel-grey.

It changes its colour in the fresh fracture, and becomes brown, or acquires a columbine tarnish.

Occurs massive, disseminated, globular, tuberose, reniform, stalactitic, and straight and small cellular. Also crystallized in

1. Six-sided prisms; sometimes the lateral planes converge towards one extremity, and then there is formed a
2. Simple six-sided pyramid.

Internally it is usually glimmering, seldom approaching to glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture even, which sometimes passes into small-grained uneven, sometimes into flat conchoidal.

Fragments



Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Occurs in distinct concretions.

In other characters it agrees with the preceding subspecies.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is nearly of the same age as common pyrites, but it does not occur so frequently. It is found only in veins, and is usually accompanied with red silver-ore, native silver, lead-glance, common pyrites, black and brown blende, sparry-ironstone, iron-ochre, feldomer with cobalt-glance, cobalt-crust, cinnabar and grey antimony ore: the accompanying vein-stones are quartz, heavy-spar, brown-spar, fluor and calc spars.

The stalactitic varieties occur principally in the Neue Morgen Stern at Freyberg, and all the other varieties at Johanngeorgenstadt.

*Geographic Situation.*

Derbyshire; Freyberg, Johanngeorgenstadt in the electorate of Saxony; Wolfstein in the Palatinate; Salzburg; Goslar in the Hartz; Hungary; Transilvania; Bohemia; Iceland; Norway; Sweden; and Siberia.

*Observation.*

It is very subject to decomposition.

FOURTH



## FOURTH SUBSPECIES.

## Hair or Capillary Pyrites.

Haarkies.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst. t. 1. p. 143.*—Capillary Pyrites, *Kirw. vol. ii. p. 79.*—Haarkies, *Emm. b. 2. f. 297.*—Fer sulphuré capillaire, *Haüy, t. 4. p. 89.*—La Pyrite capillaire, *Broch. t. 2. p. 227.*—Haarkies, *Reufs, b. 4. f. 33.*

*External Characters.*

Colour dark bronze-yellow, which sometimes passes into steel-grey.

It occurs in very delicate capillary crystals, which are either promiscuous or scopiform aggregated.

Lustre metallic.

It is brittle.

Slightly flexible.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is the newest of all the subspecies of pyrites, and is also the most rare. It is usually accompanied with fahl-ore, lead-glance, quartz, calc-spar, and fluor-spar. In the Hartz it occurs in drusen with zeolite, cross-stone, and native silver.

*Geographic Situation.*

Johanngeorgenstadt, Annaberg, and Schneeberg  
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in the electorate of Saxony; Joachimsthal in Bohemia; Andreasberg in the Hartz; Leogang, and Brenthal near Mühlbach in Salzburg.

## FIFTH SUBSPECIES.

## Cellular Pyrites.

Zellkies.—*Werner*.

Zellkies, 2. Unterart, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 34.

*External Characters.*

Colour bronze-yellow, which inclines very much to steel-grey, and a little to green.

By exposure it acquires a grey tarnish.

Occurs massive, but most frequently cellular, and of this hexagonal, polygonal, and indeterminate cellular.

The surface of the cells is drusy.

Internally strongly glimmering; seldom, and only when it passes into common pyrites, glistening.

Fracture even and flat conchoidal, seldom passing into fine-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty sharp-edged.

In other characters it agrees with the foregoing subspecies.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in veins at Johanngeorgenstadt in the electorate of Saxony, where it is accompanied with liver-



liver or hepatic pyrites, common pyrites, lead-glance, sparry ironstone, nickel, iron-ochre, brown-spar, heavy-spar, fluor-spar, and quartz.

*Observation.*

It is the least liable to decomposition of all the subspecies of pyrites.

THIRD SPECIES.

Magnetic Pyrites.

Magnetkies.—*Werner.*

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 144.—*Id. Wid.* f. 792.—Magnetic Pyrites, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 79.—Magnetkies, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 286.—La Pyrite magnetique, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 232.—Magnetkies, *Reuss*, b. 4. f. 35.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between bronze-yellow and copper-red, and sometimes inclines to pinchbeck-brown.

On exposure to the air it gradually loses its lustre, and acquires a brownish tarnish.

Occurs only massive and disseminated.

Internally shining, glistening, and seldom borders on splendid. Its lustre is metallic.

Fracture fine and coarse-grained uneven, which sometimes passes into imperfect conchoidal.

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Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

It is unseparated.

It passes from hard to semihard.

Is brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.518,—*Hatchett*.

It is attracted by the magnet.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

According to *Hatchett* it contains in the hundred parts,

Sulphur,	36.50
Iron,	63.50
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	100

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it emits a feeble sulphurous smell, and melts easily into a greyish-black globule, attractable by the magnet, and which, when heated with borax, colours it black.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It is a mineral of the oldest formation, and has been hitherto found only in primitive mountains. It occurs only in beds\*, and is accompanied with common

\* It is mentioned by the Hon. Robert Greville, in Mr Hatchett's Memoir on this species, that there is a vein of it some yards



common iron-pyrites, copper-pyrites, arsenical pyrites, lead-glance, brown and black blende, magnetic ironstone, garnet, hornblende and actynolite.

At Kupferhugel near Kupferberg in Bohemia, there is a bed of magnetic pyrites, which lies between gneifs and primitive greenstone, at Orpes in the same country it lies between gneifs and primitive limestone; and at Newstädtl in mica slate.

*Geographic Situation.*

Besides the localities already mentioned, the following may be mentioned: Moel Elion in Caernarvonshire in Wales; Breitenbrunn, Geyer, Marienberg, Ottendorf, and Messersdorf in Saxony; Queerbach, Reichenstein, Schreiberau, Eule, Wofshau and Kupferberg in Silesia; Bodenmais in Bavaria; Reinkaar and Gehlalpe in the Muhrwinke, Schwarzenbach and Mühlbachthal in Salzburg; Illebeck and Kongberg in Norway; Siberia.

*Use.*

It is used for the same purposes as common pyrites.

*Observations.*

yards in depth and breadth, near the base of the mountain called Moel Elion in Caernarvonshire. I suspect strongly that in this instance, as in all others hitherto discovered, the ore occurs in a *bed*, not in a vein.



*Observations.*

1. It is intermediate between iron-pyrites and magnetic ironstone.

2. It was formerly conjectured that the iron in it was less oxidized than that in iron-pyrites, and in this way its magnetic property was accounted for. Mr Hatchett has shewn, however, that iron when combined naturally or artificially with 36.50 or 37 of sulphur, is not only still capable of receiving the magnetic fluid, but is also rendered capable of retaining it, so as to become in every respect a permanent magnet; and the same he thinks may, in a great measure, be inferred respecting iron which has been artificially combined with 45.50 *per cent.* of sulphur.

3. Mr Hatchett has also shewn that the magnetic pyrites agrees in chemical properties with the artificial sulphuret of iron or pyrites.

## FOURTH SPECIES.

Magnetic Ironstone.

Magneteisenstein.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into two subspecies:  
1. Common Magnetic Ironstone: 2. Ironsand.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Common Magnetic Ironstone.

Gemeiner Magneteisenstein.—*Werner*.

Ferrum mineralifatum crystallifatum, et Ferrum mineralifatum, minera ferrum trahente et polos mundi ostendente, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 234.—235. — Æthiops martial natif, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 176. — Magnetischer Eisenstein, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 144. — *Id. Wid.* f. 787. — Common magnetic Ironstone, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 158. — Gemeiner magnetischer Eisenstein, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 278. — Fer oxidulé, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 10.—38. — Le Fer magnetique commun, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 235. — Gemeiner Magneteisenstein, *Reufs.* b. 4. f. 38.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is iron-black, and in some varieties it is variously tarnished.

Besides massive and disseminated, it occurs also crystallized.

Its crystallizations are the following:

1. Cube, sometimes perfect, sometimes more or less deeply truncated on its angles.
2. Octahedron, sometimes perfect, sometimes truncated on its edges, and sometimes lengthened, and then it forms an oblique four-sided prism, bevelled on both extremities, and the bevelling planes are set on the lateral edges.
3. Garnet dodecahedron.
4. Rectangular



4. Rectangular four-sided prism, acuminated by four planes, which are set on the lateral edges, resembling that of the hyacinth.

The two last-mentioned crystals usually occur in druses.

The planes of the garnet dodecahedron are streaked in the direction of the larger diagonal of the rhomb; the planes of the four-sided prism are transversely streaked, and those of the octahedron are smooth.

The crystals are usually imbedded, aggregated on one another, and are small and middle-sized.

Externally shining.

Internally it is intermediate between shining and glistening, which sometimes, on the one hand, passes into splendent, and on the other into weakly glimmering. Lustre metallic.

Fracture small and coarse-grained uneven, which sometimes approaches to even, sometimes to imperfect and small conchoidal. Occurs also imperfect straight foliated, which has the strongest lustre, as the even has the weakest.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

It is sometimes unseparated, sometimes in small and fine, seldom in coarse granular distinct concretions. The concretions are sometimes so loose, that they can be separated by the finger.

Its colour is not altered in the streak.

It



It is intermediate between semihard and hard, and some varieties pass into hard.

Is brittle.

The crystals are very difficultly frangible; the granular on the contrary more or less easily frangible.

Is heavy, inclining to uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity from 4.200 to 4.939.

It is attracted by the magnet, and it also attracts iron-filings.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it becomes brown, and communicates to glass of borax a dark-green-colour.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

It is conjectured to be nearly a pure oxide of iron, and is said to afford from 80 to 90 *per cent.* of metallic iron.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs most frequently in primitive mountains, and principally in gneiss, mica-slate, chlorite slate and primitive limestone; also in serpentine, but seldom and in small quantities, as at Hohenstein and Zöblitz in Saxony; and in the floetz trap formation, as in greenstone at Taberg near Jönköping,

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ping, in hornblende rock, in Smoland, and in basalt at the Plasterkeule near Marksfuhl, not far from Eifenach. It occurs in beds, and sometimes in mountain masses (Stück Gebirge). It is accompanied with common garnet, common hornblende, granular limestone, amianth, asbest, actynolite, fluor-spar, iron-pyrites, magnetic pyrites, arsenical pyrites, blende, tin-stone (at Brietenbrunn), copper-azure and malachite (Berggieshübel), lead-glance (Geier), coccolite, fahlite, augite, seldom with felspar, quartz and sparry-ironstone (Norway).

*Geographic Situation.*

In serpentine in the island of Unst, one of the Shetlands; at Orpes, Kremfger, Hohenstein in Bohemia; Hungary; Dognatska in the Bannat; Tyrol; Salzburg; Berggieshübel, Breitenbrunn, Ehrenfriedersdorf, Frauenberg, Marienberg, Altenberg, Dorfschemnitz, Sayda, and Wolkenstein in the electorate of Saxony; in the Saxon part of the dutchy of Henneberg; Mefferdorf in Upper Lusatia; Queerbach, Schreiberau, Reichenstein, Schmiedeberg, Kupferberg, Gieren, &c. in Silesia; Rehberg in the Hartz; Gothard in Switzerland; Piedmont; Puy in France; Monte Somma, &c. islands of Elba and Corfica in Italy; Arendal, Langoe, &c. in Norway; Dannemora, Fahlun, the Taberg;



Taberg \* ; Hogberg in Gagnäs, Suhlberg in Westermannland, Tornæo, and Jelliware in Lapland, in Sweden ; Nertschinsk, and many places in the Uralians in Siberia ; the mountain Puchamanche in Chili ; Siam and the Philippine islands in the East Indies.

*Use.*

When pure, it affords excellent bar-iron, but indifferent cast-iron ; and as it is easily fusible, it requires but little flux. When it happens to have intermixed copper or iron pyrites, it affords a red-hot iron. Careful roasting of ore, thus mixed, diminishes the bad effects of the sulphur, which is evidently the cause of the deterioration of the iron. In Sweden, particularly at Roslager, the ore is quite pure, and affords excellent bar-iron, which is imported into Great Britain, for the purpose of steelmaking.

\* The hill of Taberg, which very probably belongs to the newest floetz-trap formation, is said to be almost entirely composed of magnetic ironstone. Dr Steffens informs us, that the loose masses alone, which are found at the basis of the hill, have afforded materials for extensive iron-works for 150 years.



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Iron-Sand.

Eisensand.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 147.—*Id. Wid.* f. 790.—Magnetic Sand, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 161.—Eisensand, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 284.—Le Fer magnetique fablonneux, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 241.—Sandiger Magneteisenstein, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 48.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is very dark iron-black.

Occurs in small and very small, sometimes angular, and sometimes roundish, grains; also in octahedral crystals.

The grains have a feeble glimmering, and rough surface.

Internally, it is intermediate between shining and splendent; and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture perfect conchoidal; and very rarely imperfect foliated.

Fragments indeterminately angular, and sharp-edged.

Is semihard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.600, *Kirwan*.

It is strongly attracted by the magnet.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters and Composition.*

Same as the preceding subspecies.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs imbedded in basalt and wacke, and loose in the beds of rivers.

At Herzogswalde, and on the Heulenberg and the great Winterberg near Hohenstein in Saxony, it is found imbedded in basalt; said also to occur in porphyry-slate in the Dick and Klotzberge at Millefchau in Bohemia; at Trzibnitz and Podsedlitz, also in Bohemia, it is found along with rolled pieces of basalt, and pyrope, sapphire, and hyacinth.

*Geographic Situation.*

In many of the hills belonging to the newest floetz-trap formation in Bohemia; in the bed of the river Elbe near Schandau in Saxony; in the Tyrol; county of Glatz; Swedish Pomerania; Norway; France; Piedmont, the neighbourhood of Puzzuolo, Solfatara, and the island of Ischia in Italy; island of Milo in the Archipelago; Lake Baikal: St Domingo; Cayenne; Guadaloupe; Virginia; and Greenland.

*Use.*

It is, although rarely, smelted as an ore of iron. In the Tyrol, near Naples, and in Virginia, it is smelted



smelted in considerable quantity, and, owing to its purity, affords most excellent bar-iron.

*Observations on the Species.*

1. Werner was the first who observed that this species of ironstone is not magnetic when at a depth in the earth, but that it acquires this property after exposure to the influence of the atmosphere.

2. It is distinguished from iron-glance, with which it is often confounded, by the colour of its streak, which is black, whereas that of iron-glance is cherry-red; by being powerfully magnetic, whereas iron-glance is scarcely affected by the magnet; and the crystallizations of magnetic ironstone are different from those of iron-glance.

FIFTH SPECIES.

Iron-Glance.

Eisenglanz.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into two subspecies,

1. Common iron-glance. 2. Iron-mica.

FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Common Iron-glance.

Gemeiner Eisenglanz.—*Werner.*

Minera



Minera Ferri grisea, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 239.—Minera Ferri cœrulef-  
cens, *Ibid.* p. 241.—Mine de Fer grise ou speculaire, *Rom.*  
*de Lile*, t. 3. p. 186.—Fer speculaire, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 265.  
—Gemeiner Eifenglanz, *Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 147.—  
*Id. Wid.* f. 802.—Specular Iron-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 162.  
—Gemeiner Eifenglanz, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 301.—Fer specu-  
laire, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 220. to 225.—Fer oligiste, *Haüy*, t. 4.  
p. 38,–56.—Le Fer speculaire commun, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 242.  
—Gemeiner Eifenglanz, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 61.

#### *External Characters.*

Its most common colour is dark steel-grey, but which sometimes (in those varieties that approach to red ironstone) falls into brownish red: It seldom (and almost only in the crystallized varieties) passes into iron-black. It occurs very frequently tarnished on the rents and external surface. The tarnish is either that of tempered-steel, or is pavonine or iridescent.

Occurs most commonly massive, and disseminated, and very frequently crystallized.

The following are its crystallizations:

1. Flat double three-sided pyramid, in which the lateral planes of the one are set on the lateral edges of the other. It is the fundamental crystal of this species.
2. Double three-sided pyramid, in which the angles on the common base are truncated, and the truncating planes obliquely set on the lateral edges.
3. Sometimes the truncations on the angles of  
the



the base become so large that they nearly touch each other, and then a *cube* is formed, in which the remains of the pyramidal planes become truncations on its edges.

4. When the summits of the double three-sided pyramid are deeply truncated, there is formed a *six-sided table*, in which the terminal planes are set alternately oblique and straight on the lateral planes; and the lateral planes are sometimes straight, and sometimes spherical convex.

5. The lens, which is the double three-sided pyramid, having its summits and lateral edges rounded.

6. Sometimes the terminal planes of the table are replaced by a bevelment, in which case a double six-sided pyramid, the extremities of which are very deeply truncated, is formed. Sometimes the alternate lateral edges are truncated; sometimes also the angles on the common base.

7. When the figure 4. becomes thicker, there is formed a low equiangular six-sided prism, in which the terminal edges and angles are slightly truncated.

The planes of the crystals are sometimes smooth, sometimes streaked; in the cube always diagonally streaked.

Externally, it alternates from splendent to glistening,



ing, but is most commonly splendid: Its lustre is metallic.

Internally, most commonly glistening, but sometimes passes into shining and splendid; its lustre is metallic.

Its fracture is sometimes compact, sometimes foliated; the compact is coarse, small and fine grained uneven, and seldom passes into imperfect and small conchoidal; the foliated has a fourfold rectangular cleavage, and the folia are triply streaked. The conchoidal and foliated varieties have the strongest, the uneven the least lustre.

Fragments octahedral or pyramidal; sometimes also indeterminately angular, and rather blunt-edged.

It is usually unseparated\*, yet sometimes it occurs in large, coarse, and small granular distinct concretions, also in imperfect wedge-shaped columnar, and more frequently in thick, and sometimes straight, sometimes curved, lamellar distinct concretions. The surface of the concretions is sometimes smooth, sometimes transversely streaked, and is shining, which inclines to glistening.

It yields a cherry-red streak.

Is

\* The terms *compact* and *unseparated* are by some considered as synonymous, which, however, is not the case. *Compact* refers to fracture surface; *unseparated* to the mass itself: so that a mineral may be compact, and also in distinct concretions.



Is hard.

Brittle.

Usually rather difficultly frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.158, *Gellert*; 4.6770 to 5.0116, *Briffon*; 4.793 to 5.2180, *Kirwan*.

*Physical Character.*

When pulverized, it is magnetic in a slight degree, but it does not, like magnetic ironstone, attract filings of iron.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, without addition, it is infusible; melted with borax, it gives a dirty yellow-coloured scoria.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to *Mr Kirwan*, it contains from 60 to 80 *per cent.* of iron, and from 20 to 30 of oxygen. A more complete analysis is still wanting.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in beds and veins in primitive and transition mountains, but has never been discovered in floetz mountains. It is usually accompanied with magnetic ironstone, compact red ironstone, iron-pyrites and quartz; sometimes it occurs with arsenical pyrites, copper-pyrites, sparry ironstone, lead-



lead-glance, tin-stone, brown-spar, heavy-spar, calc-spar, fluor-spar, quartz, and hornstone.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in very considerable quantity in Sweden, as at Norberg, Bitsberg, Wärmeland, &c.; also pretty abundantly in Norway, as at Nordfield, Bergen, Bierke, Ulefoss and Langoen; it is found in the greatest quantity in the island of Elba, where it has been worked upwards of three thousand years; in the Auspaner mountains near Presnitz, and Catharinenberg in Bohemia; at Altenberg, Berggieshübel, Freyberg, Schneeberg, Henneberg in Thuringia, in the electorate of Saxony; Kupferberg, Queerbach, Oberschmiedeberg in Silesia; Geisbach in Rauris, Windau in the valley of Brixen, &c. in Salzburg; Gothard in Switzerland; Framont in Lothringen, Valois, &c. in France; Rosenau in Hungary; government of Olnetz in Russia; Beresowskoi in the Uralian mountains in Siberia; Chili.

*Use.*

When it occurs in quantity, it is smelted as an ore of iron. It affords an excellent malleable iron, which is, however, harder than that obtained from magnetic ironstone. It affords also good cast iron, but which is not so much valued as that obtained from other ores of iron.



*Observations.*

1. It passes, on the one hand, into common magnetic ironstone; and on the other, into red ironstone.

2. It is easily distinguished from magnetic ironstone by its streak; magnetic ironstone yielding a black, whilst iron-glance affords a cherry red streak.

3. It should be divided into two kinds, *compact* and *foliated*.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Iron Mica.

Eisenglimmer.—*Werner*.

*Mica ferrea*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 242.—*Mine de Fer micacée grise*, *Rom. d. L.* t. 3. p. 205.—*Eisenglimmer*, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 152.—*Id. Wid.* f. 805.—*Micaceous Iron-ore*, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 184.—*Mine de Fer micacée grise*, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 241.—*Eisenglimmer*, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 306.—*Fer oligiste ecailleux*, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 45.—*Le Fer micace*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 247.—*Schuppiger Eisenglimmer*, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 71.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is iron-black, of different degrees of intensity: thin plates or folia, when held between the eye and the light, appear blood-red.

Occurs



Occurs most commonly massive and disseminated; also crystallized in small thin six-sided tables, in which the terminal planes are set alternately oblique and straight on the lateral planes.

These tables sometimes intersect each other so as to form cells.

The surface of the crystals is smooth and splendid.

Internally, it is splendid, which in some varieties passes into shining, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture perfect and curved foliated, with a single cleavage.

Fragments sometimes indeterminately angular, sometimes tabular.

The massive occurs in large, coarse, small and fine granular distinct concretions.

Slightly translucent on the edges; translucent in thin plates.

Its streak is cherry-red.

Is semihard, approaching to soft when it passes to iron froth.

Is brittle.

Uncommonly easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.500 to 5.070, *Kirwan*.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs always in primitive mountains, and more in those of a newer or middle age than in the older rocks. It occurs in beds and veins, and is usually accompanied with red and brown iron-stone,



stone, and iron-pyrites, sometimes also with copper-pyrites, sparry ironstone, calc-spar, fluor-spar, quartz, hornstone, indurated clay and lithomarge, and very seldom cinnabar?

*Geographic Situation.*

Near Dunkeld in Perthshire, and Fitfulhead in Mainland, the largest of the Shetland islands; Dartmoor in Devonshire; Nordfield, Bergen, Bierke, Langoen, and Ulefoss in Norway; Sweden; government of Olnetz in Russia; Ehrenberg near Waldheim, Dorfschemnitz, Johanngeorgenstadt, Altenberg, Suhl in Thuringia, Teichwolframsdorf in Voighland in Saxony; Osterrode in the Hartz; Silesia; Farmanfreit in that part of the Fichtelgebirge which belongs to Bareuth; Schwarzenfeld in the Upper Palatinate; Oberhals in Bohemia; Salzburg; Dauphiny; Piedmont and island of Elba; Hungary; Chili.

*Use.*

It melts better than common iron-glance, but requires a greater addition of limestone. The iron which it affords is sometimes cold-short, but is well fitted for cast ware.

*Observations.*

1. It passes into red iron-froth.

2. It



2. It affords from 70 to 80 *per cent.* of iron.

3. Iron-glance occurs usually with quartz; whereas magnetic ironstone is principally accompanied with limestone.

## SIXTH SPECIES.

## Red Ironstone.

Rotheisenstein.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into four subspecies:

1. Red Iron-froth.
2. Ochrey Red Ironstone.
3. Compact Red Ironstone.
4. Red Hematite.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Red Iron-froth.

Rother Eisenrahm.—*Werner.*

*Hæmatites micaceus*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 248.—Rother Eisenrahm, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 153.—*Id. Wid.* f. 807.—Red scaly Iron-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 172.—Rother Eisenrahm, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 308.—Fer oxide rouge luisant, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 106.—Le Eisenrahm rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 249.—Rother Eisenrahm, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 76.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between cherry-red  
and



and brownish-red, and sometimes passes into steel-grey.

Occurs most commonly friable; in some varieties it approaches to coherent.

Occurs sometimes massive, sometimes coating, and disseminated, and is composed of scaly particles, which are glimmering, bordering on glistering, and have a semimetallic lustre.

It soils strongly.

Feels greasy.

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Is infusible before the blow-pipe without addition, but it communicates to borax an olive and asparagus green colour.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Iron,	66.
Oxygen,	28.50
Silica,	4.25
Alumina,	1.25

100      *Henry.*

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs usually in veins, and principally in primitive mountains, sometimes also in transition mountains, and probably also in floetz mountains. It is usually accompanied with compact and ochrey red ironstone, red hematite, iron-mica, sometimes also sparry-ironstone, and brown-spar?

*Geographic*



*Geographic Situation.*

Ulverstone, and several other places on the borders of Lancashire, Luxillian in Cornwall; the mine called Oerve-Aase in Norway; Iberg and Blankenberg in the Hartz; Schmalkalden in Hesia; Schneeberg, Ehrenfriedersdorf, Eibenstock, Berggießhübel, Freyberg, Sahl in the dutchy of Henneberg in Saxony; in the county of Nassau; Landeck, Kupferberg, Jaurnick in Silesia; Rathhausberg in Gastein, Thurmberg in Salzburg; Schemnitz in Hungary; Chili.

*Use.*

At Sahl in the dutchy of Henneberg, where it occurs in very considerable quantity, it is melted, and yields good iron.

*Observation.*

The literal translation of the German word *Rahm* is *cream*; I prefer, however, the word *froth*, as more expressive of the aspect of the mineral.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Ochrey-red Ironstone, or Red Ochre.

Ockricher Rotheisenstein.—*Werner*.

Ochra Ferri rubra, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 259.—Rotheisenokker, *Wid.* f. 813.—Red Ochre, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 171.—Rothe Eisenokker,



okker, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 317.—Fer oxidé rouge grossier, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 106, 107.—L'Ocre de Fer rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 256.—Ochriger Rotheisenstein, *Reufs.* b. 4. f. 83.

*External Characters.*

Colour light blood-red, which inclines to brownish-red.

Is usually friable, but in some varieties it approaches and even passes into solid, and occurs as a coating on the other ores of iron; also disseminated, and sometimes massive.

It consists of dull dusty particles, which are very faintly glimmering.

It soils more or less strongly.

It feels more meagre than greasy.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.952, *Wiedemann.*

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in veins, and is almost always accompanied with compact red ironstone and red hematite, and sometimes sparry ironstone, but it is seldom quite pure, being usually mixed with other species of iron-ore.

Its geographic situation is nearly the same as that of the other species of red ironstone. It occurs particularly abundant in the Irrgang near Platte in Bohemia.

*Use.*



*Use.*

It melts the most easily of all the ores of iron, and affords excellent malleable iron.

## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Compact Red Ironstone.

Dichter Rotheisenstein.—*Werner.*

Hæmatites ruber solidus, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 246.—Dichter Rotheisenstein, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 154.—*Id. Wid.* f. 807.—Hématite compacte rouge, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 267.—Compact red Ironstone, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 170.—Dichter Rotheisenstein, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 310.—La Mine de Fer rouge compacte, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 251.—Dichter Rotheisenstein, *Reufs.* b. 4. f. 79.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between dark steel-grey and brownish-red; sometimes, however, inclining more to the one, sometimes more to the other.

Occurs most commonly massive, sometimes also disseminated, specular, with impressions, in pyramidal supposititious crystals, and seldom crystallized in cubes, which are either perfect, or truncated on all their angles, or very deeply on the two diagonally opposite angles.



The crystals are middle-sized, small, and sometimes very intimately grown together.

The surface of the true crystals is smooth; that of the supposititious crystals is rough.

Externally, the true crystals are glistening; the specular external shape splendid: the supposititious crystals dull; lustre metallic.

Internally, it is commonly only glimmering; but the flaty borders on glistening; lustre semimetallic.

Fracture usually even, from which, although but seldom, it passes into coarse-grained uneven and into large conchoidal; it occurs also, but rarely, flaty.

Fragments indeterminately angular, more or less sharp-edged.

It yields a blood-red streak.

It is commonly intermediate between hard and semihard; it sometimes, however, passes from hard into semihard, and nearly into soft.

Not particularly brittle.

More or less easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.423, *Kirwan*; Cubic from Siberia, 3.760, *Kirwan*; from Lancashire, 3.573<sup>1</sup>, *Briffon*; 3.863, *Wiedemann*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It becomes darker before the blow-pipe, but is infusible either alone or with glass of borax; to which however it communicates an olive-green colour.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of iron,	65.4
Silica,	20.7
Alumina,	9.3
Oxide of manganese,	2.7

*Lampadius.**Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in beds and veins, and usually with red hematite and ochrey red ironstone. This, and also its occurrence with quartz, hornstone, red jasper, and sometimes with red iron-flint, may be considered as empirical characters of it.

*Geographic Situation.*

It occurs in considerable quantity in Lancashire; in the mine called Oevre-Aase in Norway; at Leerbach, Elbingerode, Andreasberg in the Hartz; Konigsberg near Giessen in Heflia; remarkably fine at Schellerhau near Altenberg, Schneeberg, Johanngeorgenstadt, also at Schwarzburg, Eibenstein, Sosa, Suhl, Saalfeld and Reichmansdorf in Thuringia, Voightberg in Voightland, in Saxony; Rudelstadt, Jauernick, Reinerz, Hermannswaldau, Kalendorf in Silesia; Platten, Sudeiheide, Kremfger, Hammerberg near Schmiedeberg, Glieden, Oberhals, where the crystallizations already described are found, Schmiedeberg, Hadorf, Kleintal in Bohemia; Schreckenbergl, Alpe Linde, Schöfferritz, Windingsberg near Werfen in Salzburg;



burg; ironworks of Kolywan, those of Catharin-  
enberg, &c. in Siberia.

*Use.*

As it affords good cast-iron, and pretty malle-  
able, although somewhat soft bar-iron, it is often  
smelted at ironworks.

*Observations.*

1. It passes, on the one side, into iron-glance; on  
the other, into clay ironstone, and sometimes also  
into common jasper.

2. *Count de Bournon* describes, in the Philoso-  
phical Transactions of the Royal Society of Lon-  
don for 1803, a Cubic Iron-Ore as a new species,  
which, however, appears to agree in colour, cry-  
stallization, lustre, fracture, colour of its streak and  
specific gravity, with the cubic variety of compact  
red ironstone: hence I suspect that it is the same.

FOURTH SUBSPECIES.

Red Hematite.

Rother Glaskopf.—*Werner.*

Hæmatites ruber, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 247.—Rother Glaskopf, *Wern.*  
*Pabst.* b. 1. f. 156. — *Id. Wid.* f. 811. — Hématite rouge,  
*De Born.* t. 2. p. 288. — Red Hæmatites, *Kirw.* vol. ii.  
p. 168.—Rother Glaskopf, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 313. — L'Héma-  
tite rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 254. — Fer oxidé hématite, *Hauy,*  
t. 4. p. 105. 109. 111, 112.—Fafriger Rotheisenstein, *Reuss,*  
b. 4. f. 85.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Its colour is usually intermediate between brownish-red and dark steel-grey. Some varieties incline to blood-red, others to steel-grey, and others to bluish.

Occurs most frequently massive and reniform; also botryoidal, stalactitic and globular.

The external surface is commonly rough and glimmering, seldom smooth and shining.

Internally, it is usually glistening, which sometimes passes into glimmering, and its lustre is semi-metallic.

Fracture always straight, delicate or coarse, and parallel, or stellular, and scopiform diverging fibrous.

Fragments commonly cuneiform; seldom, as in the coarse fibrous, splintery.

It occurs almost always in large, coarse, small or fine angulo-granular distinct concretions. In every concretion the fibres of the fibrous fracture diverge from one point, and when they reach the surface, become spherically curved, and thus form the globular external shape. These concretions are usually accompanied by curved lamellar distinct concretions, which are bent in the direction of the external surface, and which intersect them. It seldom occurs in cuneiform columnar concretions. The surface of the concretions is  
either



either smooth or streaked; its colour inclines to iron-black, and its lustre is shining and metallic.

Streak always blood-red.

Is hard, passing into semihard.

Brittle.

Not particularly easily frangible.

Heavy, inclining to uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.740, *Gellert*; 5.005, *Kirwan*; 4.8983, *Briffon*; 4.840, *Wiedemann*.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

It affords, in the smelting furnace, about sixty pounds in the hundred, and is the richest of the subspecies of red ironstone. Its constituent parts have not been accurately ascertained; besides iron, it is said to contain alumina, silica and manganese. It is to be regretted that chemists have hitherto paid so little attention to the analysis of iron-ores.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in every situation where the compact subspecies is found, and like it in veins, beds, and lying masses (*liegende Stöcke*) that approach in magnitude to mountain masses, principally in primitive mountains, but also in transition and floetz mountains.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It is found in very considerable quantity in  
Saxony,



Saxony, from Berggieshübel to Voightland; in Bohemia, but not so abundantly as in Saxony; Bareuth; Wolfstein in the Palatinate; Silesia; Lauterberg, Walkenried, Andreasberg, Wernigerode in the Hartz; Salzburg; Siberia.

*Use.*

It affords excellent malleable and cast iron; and when ground, it is also used for polishing tin, silver, and gold vessels, and for colouring iron brown.

*Observations.*

The word *Hematite* is derived from the Greek *αιμα*, *sanguis*, which was given to it from the frequent red colour of the substances included under this name.

*Observations on the Species in general.*

1. Respecting its geographic situation, it is to be observed, that it occurs in great quantity in the electorate of Saxony, less abundantly in the east side of the Hartz, and Bohemia; not so abundantly in the Fichtelgebirge, and scarcely at all in Norway, Sweden, Poland, Hungary, and Russia. In England it occurs particularly abundant in Lancashire, where Werner suspects it to lie in floetz mountains.

2. As a test of the goodness of the iron obtained from this species of ore, it may be mentioned, that plate-iron and wire are prepared from it.

3. It



3. It is one of the most common species of iron-stone.

### SEVENTH SPECIES.

#### Brown Ironstone.

Braun Eifenstein.—*Werner*.

This species is divided into four subspecies:  
1. Brown Iron-froth. 2. Ochrey brown Ironstone. 3. Compact Brown Ironstone. 4. Brown Hematite.

#### FIRST SUBSPECIES.

#### Brown Iron-froth.

Brauner Eifenrahm.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst. b. 1. f. 159.—Id. Wid. f. 814.—*Brown scaly Iron-Ore, *Kirw. vol. ii. p. 166.—*Brauner Eifenrahm, *Emm. b. 2. f. 318.—*Le Eifenrahm brun, *Broch, t. 2. p. 258.—*Brauner Eifenrahm, *Reufs, b. 4. f. 90.*

#### External Characters.

Its colour is intermediate between steel-grey and clove-brown, sometimes inclining more to the one, sometimes more to the other.

It is intermediate between friable and solid; some varieties are completely friable.

Occurs



Occurs massive, coating, spumous, sometimes also fruticose, and irregular dendritic.

It is composed of scaly particles, which are intermediate between shining and glistening, and which have a metallic lustre.

The fracture surface of the massive varieties is glimmering, with a semimetallic lustre.

It soils strongly.

It is more or less cohering, sometimes verging on solid.

Feels greasy.

Is sometimes light, sometimes swimming.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It blackens before the blow-pipe, but does not melt, and gives to glass of borax a yellowish-green colour.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

It has never been analyzed.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs almost always lining drusy cavities in brown hematite. These cavities occur more frequently in hematite which is found in veins, than in that which is found in beds.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It is found near Sandlodge in the Mainland, one of the Shetland Islands; Schmalkalden in

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Hessia;



Hessia; Clausthal in the Hartz; Bredgangs Mine in Norway; Schmottseifen in Silesia; Grofskamfdorf, and Voightberg in Saxony; Nebra and Naila in Bareuth; Lautereck in the Palatinate; Rathhaufberg in Salzburg; Carinthia; Carniola; Stiria; Chili.

*Observations.*

1. At Kamfdorf, it is known under the names Eifennann and Eifenblüthe.

2. The whole species contains a considerable portion of manganese in its composition, and this subspecies a greater proportion than the others.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Ochrey Brown-Ironstone.

Ockricher Brauneisenstein.—*Werner.*

Ochra Ferri flava? *Wall.* t. 2. p. 258.—Ochra Ferri fusca, *Ibid.* p. 344.—Braune Eifenokker, *Wid.* f. 819.—Brown Iron Ochre, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 167.—Braune Eifenokker, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 327.—L'Ocre de Fer brune, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 263.—Ockriger Brauneisenstein, *Reufs,* b. 3. f. 96.

*External Characters.*

Colour very light yellowish-brown, which in some varieties inclines to ochre-yellow, in others to clove-brown.

Occurs



Occurs massive and disseminated.

Is intermediate between solid and friable.

Is composed of dull, seldom very faintly glimmering, coarse earthy particles.

Soils strongly.

It is more or less cohering.

Intermediate between brittle and sectile.

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It burns black, which distinguishes it from yellow earth, which burns red; it communicates to glass of borax an olive-green colour.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

For the geognostic situation, see the observations on the species in general.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Kongsberg and Arendal in Norway; Grofskamisdorf in Saxony; Modrzan, Brieszan, Woznitz, Orpes and Kupferberg in Bohemia; Upper Palatinate; Rott in Bavaria; Hüttenberg in Carinthia; Salzburg.

THIRD



## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Compact Brown Ironstone.

Dichter Brauneisenstein.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 160. — *Id. Wid.* f. 815. — Compact brown Ironstone, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 165. — Dichter Brauneisenstein, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 321. — La Mine de Fer brune compacte, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 259. — Dichter Brauneisenstein, *Reufs.* b. 4. f. 93.

*External Characters.*

Colour clove-brown of different degrees of intensity.

Occurs most commonly massive and disseminated, frequently also cylindrical, small reniform, parallel circo-cellular, with pyramidal impressions, and very rarely in supposititious crystals, of which the following are known :

1. Small cube.
2. Rhomb ; and is said also in
3. Lenses.

It occurs frequently also in the following extraneous external shapes, viz. corallite, madreporite, fungite and screwstone.

Internally, usually semimetallic glimmering.

Fracture most commonly even, sometimes also large and flat conchoidal ; sometimes fine-grained uneven and fine earthy.

Fragments



Fragments indeterminately angular, more or less blunt-edged.

Streak yellowish-brown, passing into ochre-yellow.

Is semihard, sometimes inclining to soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.5027 the cubic, } *Briffon.*

3.4771

3.551, from Bayreuth, } *Kirwan.*

3.753, from the Tyrol, }

3.073, *Wiedemann.*

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe its colour darkens, and it becomes magnetic: to glass of borax it communicates an olive-green colour.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in the same geognostic situation as the following subspecies. It is always accompanied with ochrey and fibrous brown ironstone.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It is found near Sandlodge in Mainland, the largest of the Shetland islands; Lauterberg, and Blankenburg in the Hartz; Schmalkalden in Heflia; Saye and Altenkirchen in Westerwald; Schwarzenberg,



Schwarzenberg, Schneeberg, Scheibenberg, Grofskamfdorf, Voightfberg in Voightland, Sahlberg, Konitz and Suhl in Thuringia, in Saxony; Kupferberg, Aufpaner mountains near Prefsnitz, Wifterfchan near Töplitz, Stiahlan near Rakowa in Bohemia; gold mine near Schreiberau, Muchaftein near Schönau and Gorifseifen in Silefia; Upper Palatinate; Lower Palatinate; Dutchy of Deux Ponts; Naila in Bayreuth; Suabia; Tyrol; Salzburg; Stiria; Vellach, Hüttenberg and Eifenbach in Carinthia; Hungary; Transilvania; France; in the diftricts of Catharinenberg, of Orenburg and Kolywan? in Siberia; New York in America.

## FOURTH SUBSPECIES.

## Brown Hematite.

Brauner Glafskopf.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabft. b. 1. f. 161.—*Id. Wid.* f. 817.—Brown Hematite, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 163.—Brauner Glafkopf, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 323.—Fer oxidé hématite brun, *Hauy.* t. 4. p. 105.—L'Hematite brune, *Broch.* t. 2, p. 261.—Fafriger Braun-eifenstein, *Reufs,* b. 4. f. 98.

*External Characters.*

The furface of the fresh fracture is clove-brown, which in fome varieties paffes into fteel-grey; in others, into blackifh-brown, and brownifh-black; in



in others, into light yellowish brown and ochre yellow. The external surface is tarnished velvet black and bluish-black; sometimes also steel-grey, pinchbeck-brown, pavonine and iridescent.

It occurs seldom massive, more frequently stalactitic, coralloidal, reniform, botryoidal, tuberose; sometimes also cylindrical, fruticose, dendritic, large and small cellular, in supposititious six-sided pyramids, and in true crystals, but which are so minute, that their figure cannot be ascertained.

The external surface of the particular external shapes is sometimes smooth, sometimes granulated, but seldom rough or drusy.

Externally, usually splendent.

Internally, it is only glistening, which sometimes, however, passes into glimmering, sometimes even into splendent: Its lustre is intermediate between silky, pearly and resinous.

Fracture long and delicate, or short and coarse, and either straight or curved, seldom parallel, and almost always stellular and scopiform diverging fibrous. The long fibrous is sometimes extremely delicate fibrous, and even passes into small conchoidal; the short fibrous passes into narrow radiated. The conchoidal varieties have the strongest lustre, the delicate fibrous the darkest colour\*.

#### Fragments

\* The following agreements of colour and fracture are deserving of attention:

1. Clove-brown, is long and delicate fibrous.

2. The



Fragments sometimes splintery; sometimes wedge-shaped; seldom indeterminately angular.

The long and delicate fibrous occurs in curved lamellar and longish granular distinct concretions; the lamellar concretions intersect the granular: it occurs also in cuneiform columnar distinct concretions.

The concretions are not so distinct as those in red hematite.

It is commonly opaque; the brownish black is weakly translucent on the edges.

Streak ochre yellow.

Is semihard.

Brittle.

Very easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.789, *Gellert*; 3.951, *Kirwan*; 4.029, *Wiedemann*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It becomes black before the blow-pipe, and dissolves with some ebullition in glass of borax, to which it communicates an olive-green colour.

#### *Constituent*

2. The varieties that incline to blue, are short and coarse fibrous.
3. Black, is extremely delicate fibrous, verging on conchoidal.
4. Blackish brown, is radiated.



*Constituent Parts.*

The constituent parts of this subspecies have not hitherto been accurately ascertained: they appear to be iron, manganese, and oxygen.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

These are contained in the following observations

## ON THE SPECIES IN GENERAL.

A. *Chemical Properties, &c.*

1. This species of ironstone melts easily, and affords usually from 40 to 60 *per cent.* of iron. The cast-iron which it affords is indifferent, and the vessels made of it are not so fine as those manufactured from the cast-iron of red ironstone, and other ores of iron. The wrought iron obtained from it is very malleable, and at the same time hard; hence it is advantageously used in cases where softer iron would not answer. It also affords excellent steel, which is conjectured to be owing to the manganese it contains.
2. When it is intermixed with quartz, it affords a cold-short iron; but if with copper-pyrites, a red-short iron. It would appear, however, to require a greater quantity of sulphur to produce red-short iron from this species than



- from most of the other ores of iron, and this is conjectured to be owing to the manganese which it contains.
3. It melts usually without a flux; and when one is necessary, clay-slate is that which is generally used.
  4. It is supposed to contain a portion of calcareous earth, which is indeed rendered very probable from its geognostic situation and accompanying minerals.
  5. It also contains manganese, which appears to be in least quantity in brown hematite, and in largest quantity in brown iron-froth.
  6. The brown hematite affords the greatest quantity of iron of any of the subspecies.

#### B. *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in primitive, transition, and floetz mountains, but more frequently in the two latter; and when in primitive mountains, in those only which are of newer formation. Its repositories are veins, beds, lying masses (*liegende Stöcke*), and mountain masses (*Stück Gebirge*.) When it occurs in veins and lying masses, the compact and ochrey subspecies form the principal mass. The brown hematite occurs often in cavities in these veins or beds, but it does not fill them up, it only lines their walls, and is again covered by brown iron-froth; so that here ochrey and compact  
brown



brown ironstone are the oldest, and iron-froth the newest formation. It is usually accompanied with black ironstone, sparry ironstone, calc-spar, brown-spar and heavy-spar, and more seldom with quartz.

It passes, on the one side, into clay ironstone; on the other, into red ironstone, and frequently also into sparry ironstone. Werner observes, that it appears to bear the same relation to sparry ironstone that red ironstone does to iron-glance.

### C. *Geographic Situation.*

It occurs in Voightland; at Schneeberg, Scheibenberg and Raschau in the Erzgebirge; also at Kamsdorf, where it (principally the ochrey subspecies) occurs in floetz rocks, in beds, which are sometimes so thick that they nearly form lying masses. A part of this deposition passes into Schwarzburg, as far as Pönitz, and even reaches to Henneberg, where there are very extensive ironworks. Further, it is found in very considerable quantity all around the Fichtelgebirge, and there are ironworks for smelting this ore on the Saxon and Bohemian sides, and in that part of it which belongs to Bayreuth. It is found in beds in the Upper Palatinate, and in Franconia. It is less abundant in the Hartz, where at Iberg near Grün, the ochrey brown ironstone occurs in *Putzenwerke* in limestone. Very considerable mines of it occur in Nassau, Hessia, and Westerwald; and it also

so



so occurs in the Tyrol, Carinthia, Stiria, Upper Italy, and in the southern provinces of France.

It is remarked by *Werner*, that this very abundant species scarcely occurs in Norway, Sweden, or Russia; in very small quantity in England, and there only in veins in Cornwall. To this we may add the small portion found in the Shetland islands.

### EIGHTH SPECIES.

Sparry Ironstone.

Spatheisenstein.—*Werner*.

*Minera Ferri alba*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 251.—*Mine de Fer spathique*, *Rom. de Lisle*, t. 3. p. 281.—*Spathiger Eisenstein*, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 164.—*Id. Wid.* f. 820.—*Calcareous or Sparry Iron-Ore*, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 190.—*Fer spathique*, or *Mine de fer blanche*, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 290.—*Fer spathique*, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 263.—*Chaux carbonatée ferrifere avec Manganese*, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 117, 118.—*La Mine de Fer spathique*, or *le Fer spathique*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 264.—*Spatheisenstein*, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 107.

### *External Characters.*

Colour light yellowish-grey, which passes through pea-yellow and cream-yellow into yellowish-brown and clove-brown, and further into blackish-brown and brownish-black. It occurs  
very



very seldom intermediate between yellowish-brown and greenish-grey.

On exposure to the action of the air, or to heat, the colours change into brown and black. It occurs very seldom with a columbine or pavonine tarnish.

Occurs massive, disseminated, with pyramidal impressions, in plates, and crystallized.

The crystallizations are the following:

1. The rhomb, which is either perfect, or truncated on the two diagonally opposite obtuse angles, and the planes are either straight, or curved; and when curved, either convex or concave.
2. The lens, and this either spherical or saddle shaped.
3. The octahedron, in which the planes are either straight or convex, and sometimes truncated on the angles.
4. Garnet dodecahedron, which is formed by an aggregation of rhombs.

The crystals are seldom large, commonly middle sized and small, sometimes even very small.

The surface of the octahedron is smooth, specular, and splendid; that of the other crystallizations is rough, or drusy and glistening.

Internally it varies from splendid to glistening and glimmering, and its lustre is pearly.

Fracture more or less perfect foliated, sometimes straight, often curved foliated. Cleavage is threefold, and the folia intersect each other obliquely.

The



The imperfect foliated fracture is sometimes conjoined with the splintery, and this occurs principally in the greenish-grey variety.

Fragments very oblique rhombs, like those of calc-spar.

Commonly translucent on the edges, also translucent; but the black varieties are opaque.

Occurs in granular distinct concretions, which are of all degrees of magnitude, from large to fine.

Streak yellowish-brown.

Is semihard, (harder than calc-spar), which in the darker varieties inclines to soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.784, *Gellert*; 3.640–3.810, *Kirwan*; 3.672, *Briffon*; 3.300 to 3.600, the decomposed.—*Kirwan*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it becomes black. By exposure to heat the crystallized varieties lose from 0.35 to 0.40 in weight. It dissolves with ebullition in glass of borax, to which it communicates a dirty green colour. It always effervesces more or less with acids.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

From Stiria.		From Sweden.	
Oxide of iron,	38		22
Oxide of manganese,	24		28
Lime,	19		26
Carbonic acid,	10		17
Water,	9		6
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<i>Bergman.</i>	100	<i>Bergman.</i>	99

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in primitive and floetz mountains.

In primitive mountains it occurs in veins, frequently accompanying lead, silver and copper ores. Thus at Prizbram it occurs along with native silver, white silver-ore, lead-glance, brown blende, green lead-ore, and iron-pyrites. At Freyberg it occurs in veins of different formations, accompanied with copper-pyrites, iron-pyrites, lead-glance, arsenic pyrites, and black blende.

In floetz mountains it occurs in beds, where it is usually accompanied with brown ironstone, brown spar, and calc-spar, as at Eisenerz in Stiria, and Schmalkalden in Heflia, where there is a bed from 25 to 30 fathoms thick.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in small quantities in different places of England, Scotland, and Ireland; Saxony, Bohemia, Bayreuth, Upper Palatinate, Silesia, Koburg,



burg, Savoy, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Greenland, and Siberia : but it is only in the following countries where it is found in such quantity as to be employed as an ore of iron : In the Fichtelgebirge ; at Schmalkalden in Heflia it occurs (the black variety) in great quantity, where it has been mined and smelted for many centuries ; in the Hartz, as at Clausthal, Iberg, Blankenburg, and Stollberg, it occurs more sparingly ; in Westphalia the light coloured is mined in great quantity ; Eifenerz and Schladinrig in Stiria ; Hüttenberg in Carinthia ; Schwatz in the Tyrol ; Jauberling in Carniola ; many places in Salzburg ; in Hungary as at Schemnitz, Schmolnitz, Dopshau, and Siowinka, it occurs in small quantity ; in Piedmont ; France ; at Somorostro, in the province of Biscay in Spain, there is a whole hill composed of this species of ironstone, which has been worked for several thousand years. It is there accompanied with red ironstone, which renders the smelting very advantageous.

*Use.*

It affords an iron which is excellently suited for steel making. The black variety is said to afford the best kind of iron.

*Observations.*

- I. It is nearly allied to brown ironstone, and brown-



brown-spar, and there is a transition from calc-spar through brown-spar, sparry ironstone to brown ironstone.

2. Cast-iron obtained from this species, or from brown ironstone, presents a whitish colour and radiated fracture; whereas that obtained from red ironstone, and several other ores of iron, has a dark-grey colour, and a granular fracture. Further, the cast-iron obtained from this species can be converted into steel, but a great portion of that obtained from red ironstone, &c. passes to the state of malleable iron, long before the mass in the furnace has become steel. The steel obtained from this ore is said to contain a small portion of manganese, which is supposed to be the cause of its durability in the fire, and what renders it less liable to become soft and irony.

### NINTH SPECIES.

Black Ironstone.

Schwarzeisenstein.—*Werner*.

This species is divided into two subspecies:

1. Compact Black Ironstone: 2. Black Hematite.



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Compact Black Ironstone.

Dichter Schwarzeisenstein.—*Werner*.

Dichter Schwarzeisenstein, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 103.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between bluish-black and dark steel grey, but more inclining to the first.

Occurs massive, tuberoso, small reniform, botryoidal, fruticose, and claviform.

The external shapes have a rough glimmering, or faintly glistening surface.

Internally, it is glimmering, passing into glistening, and its lustre is semimetallic.

Fracture usually conchoidal, but sometimes passes into fine and small-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular; more or less sharp-edged.

It sometimes presents thin and concentric curved lamellar distinct concretions, which are bent in the direction of the external surface.

The streak is shining, but its colour remains unchanged.

Is semihard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.076, *Wiedemann*.

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## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Black Hematite.

Schwarzer Glaskopf.—*Werner.*Fafriger Schwarzeisenstein, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 105.*External Characters.*

Its colour inclines more to steel-grey than the preceding subspecies.

Occurs massive and reniform.

Internally it is glimmering, often even glistening, and its lustre is semimetallic.

Fracture extremely delicate fibrous, which passes into even; the fibrous is either curved or straight, and scopiform, or stellular diverging.

Fragments cuneiform.

Occurs in large and coarse granular distinct concretions.

Streak shining.

In other characters agrees with the preceding subspecies.

*Chemical Characters.*

When melted before the blow-pipe with borax, it yields a violet-blue coloured glass.

*Constituent Parts.*

Its composition is not known. It is supposed to contain



contain manganese in a larger proportion than brown ironstone, also alumina and calcareous earth.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in primitive and floetz mountains, and is usually accompanied with brown ironstone, sparry ironstone and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

Blumenthal, Geier, Scheibenberg, Johanngeorgenstadt, and in the level called the Drei Brüder, near Raschau in Saxony; Naila in the principality of Bayreuth; Schindelloh in the Upper Palatinate; Broterode and Sahlberg near Schmalkalden in Heflia; the Hollertzug in the dutchy of Sayn-Altenkirchen; Blankenburg in the Hartz.

*Use.*

It is very easily fusible, and yields a good iron; but it has the inconvenience of acting very powerfully on the sides of the furnace.

*Observations.*

1. It was for a long time confounded with the Compact Grey Manganese Ore, to which it bears a considerable resemblance. It was first accurately described and ascertained to be a distinct species by Werner.

2. It



2. It is a rare mineral, and the Black Hematite has been hitherto found only at Schmalkalden.

3. It appears to pass into Brown Iron-froth.

## TENTH SPECIES.

## Clay Ironstone.

Thoneisenstein.—*Werner*.

This species comprehends seven subspecies. 1. Reddle; 2. Columnar Clay Ironstone; 2. Lenticular Clay Ironstone; 4. Jaspery Clay Ironstone; 5. Common Clay Ironstone; 6. Iron Kidney, or Kidney-shaped Iron-ore; 7. Pea Ore, or Pea-shaped Iron-ore.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Reddle.

Roethel.—*Werner*.

Ochra Ferri rubra, cretacea solida, rubrica, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 260. — Rother Eisenokker, *Wid.* f. 813. — Argile martiale rouge, Sanguine ou Crayon rouge, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 230. — Röthel, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 350. — Argile ocreuse graphique, *Hauy* t. 4. p. 445, 446. — Le Crayon rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 271. — Röthel, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 124.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour light brownish-red, which passes into cherry-red.

Occurs only massive.

Principal fracture glimmering, cross fracture dull.

Principal fracture fine flaty, cross fracture earthy. Fragments sometimes tabular, sometimes splintery.

Streak lighter and more shining than that of the fracture surface.

It soils strongly, and writes.

Is sectile.

Easily frangible.

Adheres strongly to the tongue.

Feels meagre.

Heavy, passing into not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.931, *Blumenbach.* 3.1391, *Briffon.*

*Chemical Characters.*

Exposed to a red heat it decrepitates and becomes black; at the temperature of  $159^{\circ}$  it melts into a greenish-grey spumous enamel.

*Geognostic Situations.*

It occurs principally and most commonly in newer clay-slate; at Saalfeld it forms a whole bed,



bed, and in other places it is found in large masses imbedded in the clay-slate. In Silesia it is said to occur in compact limestone.

*Geographic Situation.*

Kamfdorf, Blankenburg, Konitz and Saalfeld in Thuringia, and Upper Lusatia in Saxony; Thallitter in Hesse; Hasel, Prausnitz, Conradswaldau in Silesia; Filzmoos, Untersberg, Hohlvegen in Salzburg; Jelschanska in Siberia.

*Use.*

It is principally used for drawing. The coarser varieties are used by the carpenter, the finer by the painter. It is either used in its natural state, or it is pounded, washed, and mixed with gum, and cast into moulds. The crayons thus formed, when intended for coarse drawings, are mixed with but a small portion of gum; but those which are to be used for small and delicate drawings, with a much greater proportion, in order to give them sufficient hardness.

*Observations.*

1. It is usually called *Red Chalk*.
2. It is never smelted as an ore of iron.

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## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Columnar Clay Ironstone.

Stänglicher Thoneisenstein.—*Werner*.

*Id.* *Wern.* Pabst. b. 1. f. 167.—Var. of Gemeiner Thoneisenstein, *Wid.* f. 825.—Columnar or Scapiform Iron-Ore, *Kirav.* vol. ii. p. 176.—Fer oxydé rouge bacillaire, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 107.—Le Fer argilleux scapiforme, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 273.—Stänglicher Thoneisenstein, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 115.

*External Characters.*

Colour brownish-red, which sometimes passes into cherry-red.

Occurs massive and in angular pieces.

Internally dull.

Fracture fine earthy.

Occurs almost always in columnar distinct concretions, which are straight or curved, and thick or thin; usually parallel; and sometimes, although rarer, scapiform diverging. Sometimes also jointed.

The surface of the concretions is rough and dull.

Streak blood-red.

Is soft.

Brittle.

Uncommonly easily frangible.

Adheres a little to the tongue.

Id



In single pieces, it gives a ringing sound?  
Not particularly heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

Becomes black before the blow-pipe, bubbles up with borax, and it communicates to it an olive green and blackish colour.

*Constituent Parts.*

It has not hitherto been carefully analyzed. According to Sage, it affords but 17 *per cent.* of iron.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is a rare mineral, and is probably in some cases a pseudo-volcanic product; for it is found along with earthy-slag, porcelain-jasper, and burnt-clay, in the neighbourhood of pseudo-volcanoes. It is also found in other countries where there are no volcanoes, as in the island of Arran in the frith of Clyde.

Besides the island of Arran, already mentioned, it is also found at Hofchnitz and Delau in the Saatzter circle, Straska and Schwintschitz in the circle of Leutmeritz in Bohemia; Amberg in the Upper Palatinate; Dutweiler in Saarbrücken.



## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Lenticular Clay Ironstone.

Linsenförmiger Thoneisenstein.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 167.—*Id. Wid.* f. 826.—Acinose Iron-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 177.—Körniger Thoneisenstein, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 342.—Le Fer argileux grenu ou lenticulaire, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 274.—Körniger Thoneisenstein, *Reufs.* b. 4. f. 120.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is brownish-red, which passes on one side into steel-grey, on the other into reddish-brown, yellowish-brown, and blackish-brown.

Occurs massive.

Internally, it is always strongly semimetallic glimmering, which passes into glistening.

On account of the smallness of the concretions, it is difficult to ascertain the kind of fracture, yet it appears to be sometimes fine earthy, and sometimes (particularly the red varieties) flaty.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

It occurs sometimes in small, fine and round granular, but more frequently in lenticular and flattish distinct concretions.

The red yields a light red-coloured streak; the yellowish



yellowish a light yellowish-brown streak; and the black a greyish black streak.

Is soft; some varieties pass into very soft; others into semihard.

Secile. Some varieties incline to brittle.

Very easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.673? *Kirwan.*

*Constituent Parts* \*.

From Radnitz.

Oxide of iron,	64.
Alumina,	23.
Silica,	7.5
Water,	5.

*Lampadius.* 99.5

*Geognostic Situation.*

The red and brown varieties appear to occur in different geognostic situations.

The red variety, which is usually in lenticular distinct concretions, occurs, according to the observations of Werner, in mountain masses or lying masses, in transition mountains. The brown variety, which has usually round granular distinct concretions, occurs in beds between the variegated sandstone and the shelly (*Muschel*) limestone; thus occupying

\* The red Bohemian ore affords 60 per cent. of iron; the brown from 30 to 36 per cent.



occupying the place of the second floetz-gyps formation. The black variety appears to occur in the same geognostic situation as the brown.

*Geographic Situation.*

The red occurs particularly abundant in Bohemia; the brown is found in Franconia, Bavaria, Salzburg, and extends into Switzerland, France, and even to the Netherlands. The black has been hitherto found only in the canton of Bern.

*Use.*

The red variety melts excellently, and affords a malleable iron nearly as good as that obtained from the best kinds of red ironstone. It also affords excellent cast-iron.

The brown variety melts excellently, and affords both good cast and malleable iron.

The black variety, which is said to afford 90 *per cent.* of iron, melts badly and affords an indifferent iron.

*Observations.*

1. The black variety appears to be the link which connects brown ironstone with magnetic ironstone. It is also magnetic.

2. The brown and red varieties appear to be intermediate between red and brown ironstone, and to form, as it were, the links that connect them.

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## FOURTH SUBSPECIES.

## Jaspersy Clay Ironstone.

Jaspifartiger Thoneisenstein.—*Werner*.

Jaspifartiger Thoneisenstein, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 126.

*External Characters.*

Colour brownish-red.

Occurs massive.

Internally feeble glimmering.

Fracture flat conchoidal, which sometimes passes into even.

Fragments rhomboidal, and sometimes cubical and trapezoidal.

In the streak it becomes somewhat lighter.

It is soft, passing into semihard.

Brittle.

Pretty easily frangible.

Heavy.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found in the country between Vienna and Hungary, in a large bed, which probably belongs to the floetz mountains.

*Observations.*

1. The hardness and shape of the fragments distinguish it from the other subspecies of ironstone.

2. It



2. It is termed *jaspersy*, by reason of its resemblance in external aspect to jasper.

FIFTH SUBSPECIES.

Common Clay Ironstone.

Gemeiner Thoneisenstein.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst. b. 1. f. 165.—Id. Wid. f. 823.—*Common argillaceous Iron-Ore, *Kirw. vol. ii. p. 173.—*Gemeiner Thoneisenstein, *Emm. b. 2. f. 337. —*Le Fer argileux commun, *Broch. t. 2. p. 276.—*Gemeiner Thoneisenstein, *Reufs, b. 4. f. 127.*

*External Characters.*

Colour light yellowish-grey, which inclines to light ash-grey, which passes on the one side into bluish-grey, on the other into yellowish, reddish and clove-brown, and into brownish-red.

The lightest coloured varieties change their colour on exposure to the air; they become first yellowish, then brownish, dark-brown, and lastly black. Some varieties (from Poland) change, on exposure, to bluish-grey and pearl-grey. This change of colour is not confined to the surface, but extends to the centre of the mass.

Occurs massive, and frequently in extraneous shapes,



shapes, as in that of bivalves, multivalves, with vegetable impressions, &c.

Internally dull.

Fracture usually earthy; sometimes however it is flat conchoidal and even; and other varieties show a tendency to the flaty fracture.

Fragments indeterminately angular and blunt-edged.

Soft, and often very soft, and sometimes inclines to semihard.

Rather brittle.

More or less easily frangible.

Adheres a little to the tongue.

Feels meagre.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.936, from Cathma at Raschau, *Kirwan*; 3.471, county of Roscommon in Ireland, and 3.205 to 3.357, Carron in Scotland. *Dr Rotheram*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It becomes black before the blow-pipe, and gives with glass of borax, after a little ebullition, a dark red or blackish-green glass.

#### *Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Two varieties from Brandau in Bohemia, afforded to *Lampadius*,

Oxide of iron,	35	39
Alumina,	39	40
Silica,	11	5
Magnesia,	2	6
Sulphur,	3	1
Water,	10	9
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	100	100

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in beds in floetz mountains.

At Wehrau in Upper Lusatia, it occurs along with limestone, in a very new formation, which lies over alluvial land; in the Farøe islands it is found in the newest floetz trap formation; in many parts of Scotland and England, in immense quantity in the independent coal formation; and in Upper Silesia and Poland, in a particular limestone formation, whose age has not as yet been ascertained, but which is certainly older than any of those we have already mentioned.

*Geographic Situation.*

In vast quantity in different parts of Scotland and England, and always in the independent coal formation? the Farøe islands; Westphalia; Saxony, only at Wehrau; Silesia; Bohemia; Franconia;



nia ; Upper Palatinate ; Salzburg ; Poland ; Russia ; Siberia.

*Use.*

It is smelted as an ore of iron, and affords from 30 to 40 *per cent.* of good iron.

*Observations.*

1. It sometimes passes into compact brown ironstone, particularly that found in Poland.

2. It bears considerable resemblance to compact limestone and indurated clay, but is distinguished from them by its greater specific gravity and complete opacity.

3. The change of colour observed to take place in some varieties, appears to depend on the presence of a quantity of manganese.

SIXTH SUBSPECIES.

Reniform Iron-Ore, or Iron Kidney.

Eisenniere.—*Werner.*

*Etites*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 614. — *Pierre d'Aigle*, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 300. — *Eisenniere*, *Wern. Pabst.* b. 1. f. 167. — *Var. of Bohnerz*, *Wid.* f. 827. — *Nodular Ironstone*, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 178. — *Fer limoneux spheroidal*, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 283. — *Eisenniere*, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 344. — *Pierre d'Aigle*, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 245. — *Fer Oxyde rubigineux geodique*, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 107, &c. — *La Fer reniforme*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 278. — *Eisenniere*, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 132.

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*External*



*External Characters.*

Its colour is yellowish-brown, but it shews various degrees of intensity even in the same specimen; externally it is darker, approaching to blackish brown: internally the colour is very light, and sometimes it includes an ochre-yellow kernel.

It occurs in roundish masses, from the size of a walnut to that of a man's head, which usually lie in clay.

Fracture, towards the interior, fine earthy; towards the exterior, even; in the dark yellowish-brown varieties, nearly conchoidal; that of the ochre-yellow, even.

The external layers are semimetallic glimmering, but towards the centre it is dull.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Occurs in concentric lamellar distinct concretions, which inclose a nodule, which is often loose.

The surface of the concretions is rough and glimmering.

External layers are soft, sometimes inclining to semihard; the internal very soft, sometimes inclining to friable.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Adheres to the tongue.

Heavy, bordering on not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.574, *Wiedemann*.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs imbedded in iron-shot clay in floetz rocks of the newest formation, and also in loam and clay beds that lie over black coal.

*Geographic Situation.*

Is found in different places in the counties of Mid-Lothian and East-Lothian; at Colebrookdale in England; Norway; Denmark; at Wehrau, in Upper Lausitz; Bohemia; Upper Palatinate; Oppeln, Beuthen, Tarnowitz, in Silesia; Mountains of Cracau in Poland; Transylvania; France; Siberia.

*Use.*

It is one of the best kinds of ironstone, yields an excellent iron, and is smelted in many places.

## SEVENTH SUBSPECIES.

## Pea-Ore, or Pisiform Ironstone.

Bohnerz.—*Werner.*

*Minera Ferri subaquosa globosa*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 257.—*Mine de Fer en grains*, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 300.—*Bohnerz*, *Werner*, *Pabst.* b. 1. f. 168.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 827.—*Pisiform or granular Ironstone*, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 178.—*Bohnerz*, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 347.—*Fer oxydé rubigineux globuliforme*, *Hauy*, t. 4. 111.—*Le Fer pisiforme*, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 280.—*Kuglicher Thoneisenstein*, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 135.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Internally its colour is yellowish brown, of different degrees of intensity, which sometimes passes into blackish brown. Externally it is reddish, yellowish, and liver brown, and sometimes yellowish grey, which are however accidental, as they depend on the kind of clay in which it is imbedded.

Occurs in small, round and spherical grains.

Internally it passes from dull to glistening, in such a manner that the centre of the grain is dull, and the lustre increases in strength towards the surface; lustre resinous.

Fracture fine earthy in the centre of the grain, but towards the surface even.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Occurs in thin concentric lamellar distinct concretions, in which the surface is usually smooth and glistening.

Streak yellowish brown.

Is soft.

Not very brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy in a middling degree.

Specific gravity, 5.207, *Möllinghof*.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

From Penné, in the district  
of Gaillac, according to  
*Vauquelin.*

Iron,	30
Oxygen,	18
Alumina,	31
Silica,	15
Water,	6
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	100

From Creusot on  
Mount Cenis.

Iron,	30
Alumina,	20
Lime,	50
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	100

From Mardorf, according to *Möllinghof.*

Iron,	45
Oxygen,	15
Alumina,	13
Silica,	12
Water,	15
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	100

*Geognostic Situation.*

*Werner* is of opinion, that it occurs in the second floetz-limestone formation, and also in clay-beds. Its repository is deserving of attention: It appears to fill hollows in the limestone, and the individual grains are connected together by calcifer, so that the whole mass appears as if composed of distinct concretions. *Buffon* named this kind of repository *Mine en Sac*; and *Werner* *Putzenwerke*. It occurs also in flat beds immediately under the soil. According to the observations of  
Mr



Mr Mine-Counsellor Friesleben, it occurs in an extensive bed of clay, which lies on the compact Jura limestone.

*Geographic Situation.*

At Eichstadt in Franconia, it occurs in *Putzenwerke*; Mardorf near Homburg in Hesse; Nardern, Duttlingen, Heerbrechtlingen in Swabia; Basle, Cantera, Aarau near Bern, &c. in Switzerland; Salzburg; Alsace, Burgundy, Languedoc, &c. in France; Dalmatia.

*Use.*

It yields from 30 to 40 *per cent.* of iron; and at Aarau it supplies very considerable ironworks. In Dalmatia, it is said to be used by the inhabitants in place of shot.

ELEVENTH SPECIES.

Bog Iron-Ore.

Rafeneisenstein.—*Werner.*

This species is subdivided into three subspecies.  
1. Morass-Ore. 2. Swamp-Ore. 3. Meadow-Ore.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Morafs-Ore.

Morasterz.—*Werner*.

*Id.* *Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 168.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 830.—Morassy  
Iron-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 183.—Morasterz, *Emm.* b. 2.  
f. 352.—Fer oxydé rubigineux massif, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 138.  
—La Mine des Marais, ou le Morasterz, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 283.  
Morasterz, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 138.

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish-brown.

It is sometimes friable, sometimes nearly coherent.

The coherent varieties occur massive, corroded, in grains, and sometimes tuberose. The friable is composed of dull dusty particles.

The coherent varieties are externally and internally dull.

Fracture earthy.

Soils pretty strongly.

Feels meagre, but fine.

Light, and extending to not particularly heavy.

SECOND



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Swamp-Ore.

Sumpferz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst. b. 1. f. 168.—Id. Wid. f. 831.—Swampy Iron Ore, Kirw. vol. ii. p. 183.—Sumpferz, Emm. b. 2. f. 353.—La Mine des Lieux bourbeux, ou le Sumpferz, Broch. t. 2. p. 283.—Sumpferz, Reufs, b. 4. f. 140.*

*External Characters.*

Colour dark yellowish-brown, sometimes passing into dark yellowish-grey.

Occurs corroded and vesicular, also amorphous.

Internally it is commonly dull, but the darker varieties are glimmering, and sometimes even glistening.

Fracture earthy, sometimes passing into fine grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, and blunt-edged.

Streak yellowish-brown.

Is very soft.

Sectile.

Easily frangible.

Not



Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.944, from Sprottau,—*Kirwan*.

## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Meadow-Ore.

Wiefenerz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern.* Pabst. b. 1. f. 168.—*Id. Wid.* f. 832.—Meadow Iron-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 182.—Wiefenerz, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 354.—La Mine des Prairies, ou le Wiefenerz, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 284.—Wiefenerz, *Reufs.* b. 4. f. 142.

*External Characters.*

On the fresh fracture it is blackish-brown, which sometimes passes into brownish-black. Externally it has different colours, according to the earth in which it is found.

Occurs massive, in roundish grains, perforated, tuberose, and amorphous.

Internally it is from shining to glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture usually imperfect and small conchoidal, from which it sometimes passes into small-grained uneven; the uneven sometimes inclines to earthy.

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Fragments



Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Gives a light yellowish-grey streak.

Is soft.

Rather brittle.

Very easily frangible.

Heavy, bordering on not particularly heavy.

*Constituent Parts of the Species.*

It affords usually about 30 *per cent.* of iron, seldom rises so high as 36 *per cent.* Along with the iron there is phosphoric acid, alumina, silica, and a little vegetable extractive matter.

*Geognostic Situation.*

This species belongs to the newest formation. According to *Werner* it is formed in the following manner: The water which flows into marshy places is impregnated with a vegetable acid, formed from decaying vegetables, which enables it to dissolve the iron in the rocks over which it flows, or over which it stands. This water having reached the lower points of the country, or being poured into hollows, becomes stagnant, by degrees evaporates; and the dissolved iron being accumulated in quantity by fresh additions of water, there follows successive depositions, which at first are yellowish, earthy, and of little consistence, and this is *Morass-ore*; but in course of time they become harder, their colour passes to brown, and thus  
Swamp-



Swamp-ore is formed. After the water has completely evaporated, and the swamp is dried up, the swamp-ore becomes much harder, and at length passes into Meadow-ore, which is already covered with foil and grass.

From the preceding observations, it is evident that there is a complete transition of the different subspecies of bog iron-ore into each other, and that masses may be found in which we can observe the different degrees of induration. It is also evident that of these subspecies the meadow-ore is the oldest, and marsh-ore the newest.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It is found in various places in the Highlands of Scotland, in the Hebrides, and Orkney and Shetland islands. In Saxony it occurs at Torgau, in Upper and Lower Lusatia, in a part of the Mark Brandenburg, in Mecklenburg, Pomerania; and in the electorate of Hanover. It also extends through Prussia, Poland, Courland, Liefland, into Russia and the southern parts of Sweden, particularly in Smoland, where it is found in very considerable quantity. It is also found in small quantity in the northern parts of Westphalia, in Silesia, in the island of Seeland in the Baltic, in the Upper Palatinate, and Hungary.

It occurs in general more abundantly in the northern than in the western and southern European countries.

*Use.*



*Use.*

The three subspecies of ore appear different in working. The morass-ore is the most easily fusible, and also affords the best iron. The meadow-ore is more difficultly fusible. When melted with other ores of iron, red and brown ironstone are to be preferred. Of these the ochrey subspecies smelt the most advantageously; but where these cannot be obtained, and we are obliged to use the compact and hematitical subspecies, we must be careful that they be previously well roasted. Even in the first melting, bog-ore affords excellent iron for the finest kinds of cast ware. It is however not so tenacious as that obtained from some other ores, owing to the phosphoric acid it contains. The malleable iron prepared from this ore has always a tendency to be cold-short, and can scarcely be used for plate iron, and never for ironwire. It is however well fitted for nails, because it takes a good point and welds well. The usual flux is limestone.

## TWELFTH SPECIES.

Blue Iron-Earth.

Blaue Eisenerde.—*Werner.*

Cœruleum berlinense naturale, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 260. — Ocre martiale bleue, Bleu de Prusse natif, *Rom. d. L.* t. 3. p. 295. — Prussiate de Fer natif, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 275. — Blaue Eisenerde,



fenerde, *Werner*, Pabst. b. 1. f. 169 — *Id. Wid.* f. 835.—Blue martial Earth, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 185.—Blaue Eifenerde, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 359.—Pruffiate de Fer natif, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 247.—Fer azure, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 119.—122.—Le Fer terreux bleu, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 288.—Blau Eifenerde, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 146.

#### *External Characters.*

In its original repository it is said to be white, but afterwards becomes indigo-blue of different degrees of intensity, which sometimes passes into smalt-blue.

Is usually friable, sometimes loose, and sometimes cohering.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and thinly coating.

Particles are dull and dusty.

Soils slightly.

Feels fine and meagre.

Light, passing into not particularly heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it immediately loses its blue colour, and becomes reddish-brown, and, lastly, melts into a brownish-black coloured slag, which is attracted by the magnet.

It communicates to glass of borax a brown colour, which at length becomes dark yellow; dissolves rapidly in acids.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

According to *Hauy*, it is composed of iron, and



a small portion of phosphoric acid and alumina: *Vauquelin*, on the contrary, finds it to be composed of oxide of iron, alumina, lime, but without a trace of phosphoric acid. Probably the fossil analyzed by *Vauquelin* was not true Blue iron-earth.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in nests in clay-beds, also disseminated in bog iron-ore, or incrusting turf and peat.

*Geographic Situation.*

On the surface of peat-mosses in several of the Shetland islands; Iceland; Helfingor on the Island of Seeland; Schonen in Sweden; Russia; Maschen in Hanover; Steinbach, Oberlichtenau, and Weiffig in Upper Lusatia; Silesia; Swabia; Upper Palatinate; Bavaria; Carniola; on the borders of the lake Baikal in Siberia.

THIRTEENTH SPECIES.

Green Iron-Earth.

Grüne Eifenerde.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into two subspecies:  
 1. Friable Green Iron-earth. 2. Coherent Green Iron-earth.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Friable Green Iron-Earth.

Zerreibliche grüne Eifenerde.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

- Colour fiskein-green.
- Occurs massive and disseminated.
- Particles dull and dusty.
- Fracture fine earthy, which passes into even.
- Fragments indeterminately angular.
- Occurs more or less cohering.
- Is soft, and very soft.
- Not very brittle.
- Feels fine, but meagre.
- Easily frangible.
- Is intermediate between not particularly heavy and heavy.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Coherent Green Iron-Earth.

Feste grüne Eifenerde.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

- Colour same as that of the preceding subspecies, only a little darker.

Occurs



Occurs massive and corroded.

Internally dull.

Fracture fine earthy, sometimes passing into even, sometimes into splintery.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Soft, passing into very soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Not particularly heavy, inclining to heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it becomes first red, then brown, but is infusible without addition: colours of glass of borax yellowish-green.

*Constituent Parts.*

Has not been regularly analyzed, but is said to consist of iron united to phosphoric acid.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

The friable is found at Schneeberg, the coherent at Braünnsdorf, and both in veins. It is said by Flurl also to occur in the Upper Palatinate.

It is a rare mineral.

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## FOURTEENTH SPECIES.

Cube-Ore.

Wurfelerz.—*Werner*.Wurfelerz, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 153.*External Characters.*

Colour olive-green, of different degrees of intensity.

Occurs massive, and crystallized in small and very small cubes.

The planes of the crystals are smooth and splendid.

Internally it is glistening, and its lustre is intermediate between pearly and adamantine.

Fracture imperfect foliated; has probably a threefold cleavage, parallel with the lateral planes.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Occurs in small granular, which sometimes approach large granular distinct concretions.

Is translucent.

Streak straw-yellow.

Is soft, inclining to very soft.

Brittle, and

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.000, *Bournon*.



*Constituent Parts.*

<i>Vauquelin.</i>		<i>Chenevix.</i>	
Iron,	48	Arfenic acid,	31.0
Arfenic acid,	18	Oxide of iron,	45.5
Water of cryftallization,	32	— of copper,	9.
Carbonat of lime,	2 to 3	Silica,	4.
	<hr/>	Water,	10.5
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*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found in veins accompanied with iron-shot quartz, and copper-glance.

Has been hitherto found only at Carrarach in Cornwall.

## SEVENTH GENUS.

## LEAD GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Lead-Glance.

Bleiglanz.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into two subspecies:  
 1. Common Lead-glance. 2. Compact Lead-glance.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Common Lead-Glance.

Gemeiner Bleiglanz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern.* Pabst. b. 1. f. 97.—*Id. Wid.* f. 841.—Common Galena, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 216.—Gemeiner Bleiglanz, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 369.—Plomb sulphuré, Galene, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 289.-292.—Plomb sulphuré, *Haüy*, t. 3. f. 456.—La Galene commune, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 295.—Gemeiner Bleiglanz, *Reuss*, b. 4. f. 174.

*External Characters.*

Colour fresh lead-grey, of different degrees of intensity; in some varieties it inclines to blackish lead-grey. The fresh lead-grey varieties contain the greatest proportion of silver. On the surface, it sometimes shows a tempered steel or iridescent tarnish.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in membranes, in angular pieces, and in grains; also reticulated, specular, corroded, and amorphous; seldom fused-like and cylindrical; frequently crystallized,

1. Perfect cube, in which the planes are either straight or spherical convex.

2. Cube having its angles more or less deeply truncated.

3. Cube having its edges and angles truncated at the same time, but of these the latter the most deeply. Sometimes the edges of the truncations are also truncated.

4. Octahedron,



4. Octahedron, either perfect, (which is rather rare), or truncated on all its angles.
5. Octahedron, having all its angles and edges truncated at the same time. Sometimes the edges are bevelled, and sometimes the edges formed by the meeting of the bevelling planes with one another are truncated.
6. Rectangular four-sided prism acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the lateral edges.
7. Six-sided prism, acuminate by four planes, of which two are set on the opposite lateral edges, and two on the opposite lateral planes.
8. Three-sided table, in which the terminal planes are bevelled, and the angles of the bevelment also bevelled. It is formed by the flattened octahedron.

The crystals are usually middle-sized, small, and very small; seldom large. Are most commonly superimposed, seldom imbedded and in druses.

The planes of the crystals are sometimes smooth, sometimes drusy, and sometimes rough.

Externally it alternates from specular splendent to weak glimmering, according as its surface is smooth, drusy or rough.

Internally it alternates from specular splendent to glitening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture more or less perfect foliated; commonly plain, sometimes also floriform foliated, which



which sometimes passes into narrow or broad, and stellular diverging radiated. Cleavage threefold and rectangular\*.

Fragments cubic.

The massive varieties occur in granular distinct concretions, of all degrees of magnitude, from large to very fine granular. The latter often passes into compact, consequently into the following subspecies. It occurs also in straight, thin and thick lamellar distinct concretions, which are very much grown together, and whose cross fracture has a radiated aspect. Sometimes, although very rarely, it presents columnar distinct concretions.

Streak rather more shining than that of the surface of the fracture.

Is soft.

Perfect sectile.

Externally easily frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 7.220, *Muschenbröck*; 7.290, *Gellert*. The crystallized, 7.5873, *Briffon*. The radiated, 5.500, *Lametherie*; 6.565 to 7.786, *Watson*. From the Hartz, 7.448, *Kirwan*. From Kautenbach, 6.140, *Vauquelin*. From Kirschwalder, 6.820, *Vauquelin*. From Kampfsteiner, 7.100, *Vauquelin*. From Ecklesberg, from 7.300 to 7.600, *Vauquelin*.

#### Chemical

\* The radiated variety usually contains a portion of antimony: It is the *plomb sulfuré strié*, or *antimonifere*,—*Havy*.



*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it flies into pieces, then melts and emits a sulphureous odour. It is in general easily fusible, and easily reducible on coal before the blow-pipe. When it is alternately heated and cooled, it at length disappears entirely; and if it be argentiferous, a grain of silver remains behind.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to *Vauquelin*, lead-glance contains the following ingredients:

	From Kirschwald in Deux Ponts.	Kampf- stein.	Ecklef- berg.	Kanten- bach.
Lead,	54	69	68.69	64
Sulphur,	8	16	16.18	18
Calcareous earth and filica,	} 38	15	16.13	18
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				Durham.
Lead,	83.	77	Lead,	85.13
Sulphur,	16.41	20	Sulphur,	13.02
Silver,	0.08	1	Iron,	0.50
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<i>Westrumb.</i>		<i>Kirwan.</i> 98		98.65 *

The proportion of lead, as appears from the above results of different analyses, varies from 54 to 83 *per cent.* The proportion of silver also varies considerably, and it appears to have an effect on the external aspect of the varieties; for it has been observed, that those which contain much silver

\* For the analysis of the lead-glance of Durham, I am indebted to my friend Dr Thomson.



ver have not so fresh a colour as others which are poorer; that the octahedral contain more silver than the cubical, and that the floriformly foliated contain little or none. It sometimes also contains a small portion of iron, and sometimes also of gold. The radiated varieties are said to contain antimony.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins and beds, in primitive, transition and floetz mountains. It occurs in many different formations, and of these Werner has given a highly interesting description in his classical work on *Veins*.

It occurs almost always with blende and calamine, with which it appears to have a strong geognostic affinity. It is frequently also accompanied with silver-ores, and sometimes with copper-ores.

At Lead-hills, in Lanarkshire, it occurs in veins that traverse transition rocks, and is accompanied with friable manganese-ochre, lead-earth, sparry-ironstone, calamine, ochrey brown ironstone, brown hematite, iron-pyrites, copper-azure, green lead-ore, white lead-ore, lead-vitriol, quartz, lamellar heavy-spar, calc-spar, brown-spar, and mountain-rock. The same formation extends into the upper part of Dumfrieshire, where it forms the mines of Wanlockhead.

At Mies, in Bohemia, it occurs in veins that traverse clay-slate, and it is accompanied with white,  
black,



black, and green lead-ores, blende, copper-pyrites, malachite, iron-pyrites, quartz, and heavy-spar; at Prizbram, also in Bohemia, where it occurs in veins that traverse clay-slate, it is accompanied with black and green lead-ores, blende, white silver-ore, native-silver, sparry-ironstone, grey and white antimony ores, iron-pyrites, heavy-spar, calc-spar, and quartz. At Bleyberg, in Carinthia, it is accompanied with white, yellow and black lead-ores, calamine, yellow and brown blende, rock-cork and gyps. At Offenbanya, in Transylvania, it is found along with fahl or grey copper ore, grey antimony, iron-pyrites and brown-blende, in a bed in granular limestone; at Nagyag, with red antimony-ore and amethyst, in clay-porphry. At Gablau in Silesia it occurs with quartz crystals and calc-spar, in porphyry; at Upper Schmeideberg and Kloster Liebenthal, disseminated in primitive limestone; at Weisfritz, with yellow and brown blende, calc-spar and quartz; at Altenberg, with iron-pyrites, copper-pyrites, arsenic pyrites, copper-glance, calc-spar and quartz; at Queerbach, with black-blende, cobalt glance, magnetic ironstone, iron-pyrites, copper-pyrites, arsenic pyrites, garnet and calc-spar. At Rammelsberg, in the Hartz, it is found disseminated in transition-slate; at Clausthal, it occurs in veins that traverse grey-wacke, and is accompanied with black and brown blende, iron-pyrites, sparry-ironstone, copper-pyrites, white lead-ore, light red silver-ore, brittle silver-glance,



glance, fahl or grey copper ore ; in the vein, called Samfon, at Andreasberg, where it occurs also in tranfition rocks, it is accompanied with copper-pyrites, iron-pyrites, native arfenic, red filver-ore, arfenical filver, native filver, filver-glance, filver-black, fahl or grey copper ore, native antimony, cobalt-glance, copper-nickel, blende, orpiment, capillary pyrites, calc-fpar, zeolite, crofs-ftone, and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

Derbyfhire, county of Durham, Flintfhire, Denbighfhire, Cornwall, &c. in England ; Lanarkfhire, Dumfriesfhire, Ayrfhire, Argylefhire (Strontian), Fifeshire, East-Lothian, Mid-Lothian, Orkney Iflands, ifland of Ifla one of the Hebrides, &c. in Scotland ; at Konigsberg, &c. in Norway ; in Westermannland, Schonen, Upland and Lapland in Sweden ; ifland of Bornholm in Denmark ; Zellerfeld, Claufthal, Goflar, Lautenthal, Andreasberg in the Hartz ; Freyberg, Gerfdorf, Johannegeorgenftadt, Schneeberg, &c. in Saxony ; Tarnowitz, where it occurs in beds, Merzberg, Reichenftein, Krummhübel, &c. in Silefia ; Olkufch in Weft Gallicia ; Catharineburg, Nielaßberg, Graupen, Zinnvald, &c. in Bohemia ; Upper Palatinate ; Furftenberg in Swabia ; Deux Ponts ; Bavaria ; Stiria ; Tyrol ; Salzburg ; Carinthia ; Upper Auftria ; Hungary ; Transylvania ; Bannat ; France ; Italy ; Spain ; Nertschinsk, Catharinenberg, and Schlangenberg in Siberia ; the



Spanish part of Chili in South America; and in Greenland in North America.

*Use.*

It is most frequently worked as an ore of lead, and very frequently also as an ore of silver. It is the most abundant, and almost the only ore of lead which is worked. It is also used in the smelting of silver-ores, and for glazing pottery.

*Observations.*

1. The name *Lead-glance*, which I use in preference to the more common but less significant one *Galena*, is derived from the lustre, which forms so striking a feature in the external aspect of this mineral.

2. Lead-glance, which occurs in beds, contains less silver than that found in veins. Indeed, silver appears in general to be more abundant in veins than beds: thus, argentiferous pyrites which is found in veins, contains a greater quantity of silver than that found in beds.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Compact Lead-Glance.

Bleischweif.—*Werner*.

Plumbum Plumbago, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 305.—Bleischweif, *Werner*,  
*Pabst.* b. 1. f. 114.—*Id. Wid.* f. 845.—Galene compacte, *De*  
*Born.* t. 2. p. 355.—Compact Galena, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 218.  
 —Bleischweif,



—Bleischweif, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 377.—Plomb sulphuré compacte, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 461.—La Galena compacte, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 301.—Bleischweif, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 188.

*External Characters.*

Colour fresh lead-grey, and a very little lighter than that of the preceding subspecies; sometimes it inclines to black, but only in such varieties as are passing into blue lead-ore.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and specular\*.

The specular variety is externally smooth, shining and splendid.

Internally it is only strongly glimmering, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture even, which in some varieties passes into flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Is always unseparated.

Streak shining, almost splendid.

Not so easily frangible as the preceding subspecies; but agrees with it in the remaining characters.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs in veins, and is usually accompanied with common lead-gance. It is worthy of remark, that when the two subspecies occur together, the compact always forms the sides of the vein, and this probably owing to its having been in a less  
perfect

\* The specular varieties are the *slikenfides* of Derbyshire.



perfect state of solution. It is also accompanied with black-blende, common iron-pyrites, copper-pyrites, quartz, and heavy-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

Leadhills in Lanarkshire; Derbyshire; Sahlberg in Westermannland; Lautenthal, Zellerfeld, Clausthal, Andreasberg and Goslar in the Hartz; Freyberg and Gerisdorf in the electorate of Saxony; Raufchenberg in Upper Bavaria; Weiding in the Upper Palatinate; Leogang in Salzburg; Servoz in the valley of Chamouni in Switzerland; Siberia.

SECOND SPECIES.

Blue Lead-Ore.

Blaubleyerz.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 115.—*Id. Wid.* f. 847.—Blue Lead-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 220.—Blau Bleierde, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 380.—La Mine de Plomb bleue, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 303.—Blaubleierz, *Reufs.* b. 1. f. 209.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between dark indigo blue and lead-grey.

Occurs massive, and crystallized in perfect six-sided prisms, which are usually small, low, sometimes



times bulging, and whose surface is rough and dull.

Internally, it is feebly glimmering, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture even; sometimes it approaches small and flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Streak shining and metallic.

Is soft, inclining to very soft.

Secile.

Easily frangible.

Heavy, bordering on uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.461, *Gellert*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Melts easily before the blow-pipe, burns with a weak blue flame, emits a strong sulphureous vapour, and is reduced to pure lead.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

It is conjectured to be a compound of lead, oxide of lead, and sulphur, and is supposed by Werner to be intermediate between lead-glance, and black lead-ore. Klaproth discovered in it phosphoric acid.

#### *Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Occurs in veins, accompanied with black lead-ore, brown lead-ore, white lead-ore, malachite, radiated copper-azure, quartz, fluor-spar, and heavy-spar.

It



It is a rare fossil, and has been hitherto found only at Zschoppau in Saxony: it is said also to have been found at Schemnitz in Hungary, and Brittany in France.

### THIRD SPECIES.

#### Brown Lead-Ore.

Braun Bleierz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst. b. 1. f. 115.*—*Id. Wid. f. 848.*—Brown Lead-ore, *Kirw. vol. ii. p. 222.*—Braun Bleierz, *Emm. b. 1. f. 383.*—La Mine de Plomb brune, *Broch. t. 2. p. 305.*—Braun Bleierz, *Reufs, b. 1. f. 212.*

#### *External Characters.*

Colour hair-brown, of different degrees of intensity, sometimes so pale that it inclines to grey, and sometimes it passes into clove-brown.

Occurs massive, and crystallized in six-sided prisms.

The surface of the crystals is blackish and rough. Internally, it is glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture small and fine-grained uneven, and sometimes passes into small splintery.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

The crystallized varieties show a tendency to thin columnar distinct concretions, whose surface is smooth and shining.

Feebly



Feebly tranfluent.

Soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Eafily frangible.

Is intermediate between heavy and uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 6.974, *Wiedemann*; 6.600 from Huelgoët, according to *Klaproth*; 6.909 from Huelgoët, *Haüy*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It melts pretty eafily before the blow-pipe without being reduced, and during cooling fhoots into acicular cryftals. It does not effervefce with acids.

#### *Conftituent Parts.*

From Huelgoët in Brittany,

Oxide of lead, 78.58

Phofphoric acid, 19.73

Muriatic acid, 1.65

*Klaproth.*

#### *Geognoflic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found at Miefs in Bohemia; near Schemnitz in Hungary; Saska in the Bannat; Zfchoppau in Saxony; Huelgoët in Lower Brittany.

At Meifs in Bohemia, it is ufually accompanied with lead-glance, white, black and green lead-ores, copper-pyrites, malachite, blende, iron-pyrites, quartz and heavy-fpar; at Zfchoppau with white and black



black lead-ores, iron-ochre, quartz and heavy-spar ;  
at Huelgoët with lead-glance. In all these places  
it occurs in veins.

#### FOURTH SPECIES.

Black Lead-Ore.

Schwarz Bleyerz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 116.—*Id. Wid.* f. 850.—Black Lead-  
Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 221.—Schwarz Bleyerz, *Emm.* t. 2.  
f. 385.—La Mine de Plomb noire, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 307.—  
Schwarz Bleyerz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 241.

#### External Characters.

Colour greyish-black of different degrees of in-  
tensity.

Occurs massive, disseminated and crystallized  
in six-sided prisms.

The surface of the crystals is sometimes drusy,  
sometimes smooth, and sometimes longitudinally  
streaked.

Externally usually splendent, also shining.

Internally it is only shining, sometimes passing  
into glistening, and its lustre is adamantine.

Fracture small-grained uneven, which sometimes  
passes into imperfect conchoidal and splintery.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Translucent on the edges.

Streak greyish-white.

Rather



Rather brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

### *Constituent Parts.*

According to *Lampadius*, it contains

Lead,	72	75.
Carbonic acid,	18	18.
Oxygen,	7	3.5
Carbon,	2	1.5
	Water,	2.
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	99	100

### *Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs in veins, and is almost always accompanied with white lead-ore and lead-glance, and usually in the upper part of veins, and in new lead-glance formations. It usually encrusts lead-glance, and is covered by white lead-ore, and sometimes by green lead-ore. This, in the opinion of Werner, shows an oryctognostic affinity of these ores with one another.

### *Geographic Situation.*

Leadhills in Scotland; Mies and Prizbram in Bohemia; Freyberg and Zschopau in Saxony; Schwarzleogang in Salzburg; Poullaoven in Lower Brittany in France; Schlangenberg in Siberia.

### *Observations.*

1. It passes into lead-glance and white lead-ore.

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2. Haüy is of opinion that it is a phosphat of lead, and Werner suspected that it was a compound of lead, carbonic and sulphuric acids.

## FIFTH SPECIES.

White Lead-Ore.

Weis-Bleierz.—*Werner*.

<sup>1</sup>Minera Plumbi alba spathosa, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 307. — Mine de Plomb blanche, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 380. — Weis Bleierz, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 118.—*Id. Wid.* f. 852.—Plomb spathique blanc, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 368. — White Lead-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 203.—Weis Bleierz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 388. — Plomb blanc, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 305. — Plomb carbonaté, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 475.—La Mine de Plomb blanche, ou le Plomb blanc, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 309.—Weisbleierz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 245.

*External Characters.*

Colour snow-white, greyish-white and yellowish-white; from this it passes into yellowish-grey, cream-yellow, and lastly into clove-brown. It is dark ash-grey when it borders on black lead-ore.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and in membranes; but most commonly crystallized,

1. Equiangular six-sided prism, rather obtusely acuminate by six planes, which are set on the lateral planes. The extremities are sometimes truncated.

2. Short six-sided prism, obtusely acuminate  
on



on both extremities by four planes, of which the two largest are set on the two lateral planes, and the other two on two opposite lateral edges. It usually terminates in a line.

3. Four-sided prism, acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes: the summits and the edges of acuminations are often truncated.
4. Very oblique four-sided prism, bevelled on both extremities, the bevelling planes set on the acute lateral edges.
5. Double six-sided pyramid, either perfect, or truncated on the common base.
6. Four-sided table bevelled on the terminal planes; sometimes two or three crystals intersect one another, and form twin or triple crystals.
7. Six-sided table.
8. Long acicular and capillary crystals, which are columnar aggregated, and intersect one another, thus resembling columnar heavy-spar.

The crystals are usually small and very small; seldom middle-sized.

Externally, it is specular splendent; seldom glistening.

Internally, it alternates from highly splendent to glistening, and its lustre is adamantine, sometimes inclining to semimetallic, sometimes to resinous.

Fracture commonly small conchoidal; but it  
sometimes



sometimes passes into fine-grained uneven, and even into fine splintery.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

It alternates from translucent to transparent; and is duplicating.

Is soft.

Brittle.

Very easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 6.480, from Leadhills, according to *Klaproth*; 7.2357, *Chevenix*; 6.0717-6.5586, *Hauy*.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it flies into pieces, becomes first red, then yellow, and lastly melts into a globule of metallic lead. It makes a strong effervescence with acids, and is almost entirely dissolved. Its surface blackens when exposed to the vapour of sulphuret of ammonia; a character which distinguishes it from heavy-spar.

*Constituent Parts.*

From Zellerfeld.		From Ildekansthal.	
Lead,	81.2	80.25	Lead, 74.0 77.50
Carbonic acid,	16.0	16.0	Carbonic acid, 15.0 15.0
Oxide of iron,	0.3	0.18	Oxide of iron, 0.25 1.25
Alumina,		0.75	Alumina, 1.0
Lime,	0.9	0.50	Lime, 1.0
	—	—	Silica, 0.25 0.50
			Water, 4.0

According to *Westrumb.* According to *Bindheim.*  
From



From Siberia.		From Leadhills.	
Lead,	67	Lead,	77
Carbonic acid,	24	Carbonic acid,	16
Oxygen,	6	Oxygen,	5
Water,	13	Water,	2
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	<i>Macquart.</i>		<i>Klaproth.</i>

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is almost always accompanied with lead-glance, and occurs in the same kind of repository. It is also very often accompanied with green and black lead-ores, lead-earth, ochrey-brown iron-stone, common iron-pyrites, copper-pyrites, malachite, copper-azure, brown-blende, and compact grey manganese-ore. Its most frequent vein-stones are quartz, heavy-spar, calc-spar, and fluor-spar.

At Leadhills, it occurs in veins that traverse transition-rocks, and is accompanied with lead-glance, lead-earth, lead-vitriol, green lead-ore, sparry-ironstone, iron-pyrites, brown-hematite, calamine, and copper-azure; and the vein-stones are quartz, lamellar heavy-spar, calc-spar, brown-spar, and rock-cork.

At Mies in Bohemia it occurs in quartz veins that traverse clay-flate, and is accompanied with black, green, and brown lead ores, lead-earth, copper-pyrites, malachite, copper-azure, blende, iron-pyrites, and columnar heavy-spar; at Prizbram also in veins that traverse clay-flate, which are composed



composed of sparry ironstone, calc-spar, heavy-spar and quartz, accompanied with lead-glance, black and green lead-ores, blende, sparry-ironstone, white antimony-ore, iron-pyrites, native silver, and white silver-ore.

At Bleyberg in Carinthia it is accompanied with lead-glance, yellow and black lead-ores, calamine, yellow and brown blende, calc-spar, gyps, and rock-cork.

*Geographic Situation.*

Derbyshire, Somersetshire, Wales in England; Leadhills, Wanlockhead in Scotland; Ireland; Freyberg, Zschopau, Johanngeorgenstadt, Annaberg in Saxony; Prizbram, Mies and Bleistadt in Bohemia; Tarnowitz and Janowitz in Silesia; Nassau; Langehecke in the bishopric of Triers; Eichelberg in the Upper Palatinate; in the floetz mountains of Cracau in West Gallicia; Huelgoet and Poullavuen in Brittany, La Croix in Lothringen, St Sauveur in Languedoc, and Geroldseck in Alface in France; Bleyberg in Carinthia; Freiburg in the Brisgau; Blutner, Tauern in Rauris in Salzburg; Saska and Dognatska in the Bannat; near Schemnitz in Hungary; in the Crimea; Nertschinskoi, Frolowskoi, &c. in Siberia; Chili in South America.

*Observation.*

Next to lead-glance it is the most common ore of lead, but it does not occur so abundantly, nor ever



ever in such quantity as to be an object of consequence to the metallurgist.

## SIXTH SPECIES.

## Green Lead Ore.

Grün Bleierz.—*Werner*.

*Minera Plumbi viridis*, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 308. — Grün Bleyerz, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 123.—*Id. Wid.* f. 857.—Phosphorated Lead-ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 207.—Oxide de Plomb spathique verte, Phosphate de Plomb, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 377. — Grün Bleyerz, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 394.—Plomb phosphaté, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 490.—La Mine de Plomb verte, ou le Plomb verte, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 314.—Grünbleierz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 216.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is grass-green, which passes on the one side through pistachio-green, olive-green and fishkin-green, into sulphur-yellow; on the other side, through asparagus green into greenish-white. Some varieties approach to leek-green. The olive and pistachio-green colours are the most common.

Occurs seldom massive, sometimes reniform and botryoidal; but most commonly crystallized,

1. Six-sided prism, having sometimes its lateral and terminal edges truncated. When the truncations on the terminal edges increase, a six planed acumination is formed, in which  
the



the acuminating planes are set on the lateral planes.

2. When the lateral edges of the prism converge towards their extremities, an acute double six-sided pyramid is formed.

The prisms are usually low, sometimes bulging, and hollow at their extremities.

Sometimes it occurs in velvety druses.

The crystals are small and very small, seldom middle-sized, and are often scalarwise aggregated.

Externally it is smooth and shining, internally glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture small-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Is always translucent.

Soft (scratches white lead-ore).

Rather brittle.

Very easily frangible; and

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 6.560, from Wanlockhead, *Klaproth*; 6.270, Zschoppau, *Klaproth*; 6.9411, from the Breisgaw, according to *Haüy*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it does not fly into pieces; it becomes white, and melts very easily into a greyish globule, but without being reduced, even with charcoal. It dissolves in acids without effervescence.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*According to *Klaproth*,

	Zschoppau.	Hoffgrund.	Wanlockhead.
Oxide of lead,	78.4	77.10	80
Phosphoric acid,	18.37	19.	18
Muriatic acid,	1.7	1.54	1.62
Oxide of iron,	0.10	0.10	a trace.

From *Erlbach*.

Oxide of lead,	79	Lead,	45.18
Phosphoric acid,	18	Phosphoric acid,	18.17
Oxide of iron,	1	Oxygen,	4.05
Water,	2	Silica,	32

*Fourcroy.**Vauquelin.**Observations.*

1. Green lead-ore, when it has a very pale greenish-white colour, is apt to be confounded with the preceding species, but we can always distinguish them by the following characters: 1. The fracture in this species is fine-grained uneven, but in white lead-ore is more or less perfect conchoidal. 2. Its lustre is resinous, but that of white lead-ore is adamantine. 3. It is harder than white lead-ore. 4. It possesses greater specific gravity than white lead-ore. 5. Its crystals are often scalar-wise aggregated, which is never the case with white lead-ore: And 6. Its prisms are generally shorter than those of white lead-ore.



2. Mr Klaproth having discovered phosphat of lead, or green lead-ore of a greyish-white colour, proposes it as an objection to the naming of minerals from their colours. It must be remembered, however, that the name does not imply the constant occurrence of a green colour; it only intimates, that the green colour is the most striking feature in the external aspect of the mineral, and that it occurs more frequently than any other colour.

## SEVENTH SPECIES.

Red Lead-Ore.

Roth Bleierz.—*Werner*.

Minera Plumbi rubra, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 309. — *Roths Bleierz, Werner*, *Pabst.* 1. b. f. 127. — *Id. Wid.* f. 861. — Red Lead Spar, *Kirw.* t. 2. p. 214. — Oxide de Plomb spathique rouge, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 376. — *Roths Bleyerz, Emm.* b. 2. f. 399. — Oxide rouge de Blomb, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 287. — Plomb chromaté, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 476. — La Mine de Plomb rouge, ou le Plomb rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 318. — Rothbleierz, *Reufs*, b. 4. f. 228.

*External Characters.*

Colour hyacinth-red; sometimes inclines to aurora or morning red.

Occurs very rarely massive and disseminated, seldom in membranes, most commonly crystallized in broad



broad, rather oblique four-sided prisms, whose terminal planes are set on obliquely, so that the crystal has the aspect of a lengthened rhomb, which appears to be very acute angled\*.

The crystals are middle-sized.

The surface of the crystals is usually smooth, sometimes longitudinally streaked.

Externally and internally it is splendid, and its lustre is intermediate between adamantine and resinous.

Fracture foliated, and the folia are probably parallel with the lateral planes of the prism.

Fragments indeterminately angular, rather blunt-edged.

It is translucent, passing into transparent, even sometimes inclining to transparent.

Streak lemon-yellow, nearly passing to brownish-yellow.

Is very soft.

Is intermediate between very brittle and sectile.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.750, *Bindheim*; 6.0269, *Brisson*.

*Chemical*

\* *Hauy* mentions the following crystallizations of red lead-ore: 1. Rectangular four-sided prism, acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes.

2. Same figure with its lateral edges truncated.



*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it melts into a blackish scoria. With borax it is partly reduced. It does not effervesce with acids.

*Constituent Parts.*

Siberian red lead-ore, according to

*Vauquelin* and *Thenard* :

Lead,	57.10	Oxide of lead,	64
Oxygen,	6.86	Chromic acid,	36
Chromic acid,	36.04		
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*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in veins in gneiss and mica slate, where it is accompanied with lead-glance, green lead-ore, iron-pyrites, brown ironstone, native gold, and quartz. It is found in the mine of Berezof, near Catharinenberg in Siberia; Annaberg in Austria; and Trapettes in Upper Faucigny in Savoy.

*Use.*

On account of its beautiful aurora-red colour, its durability in the air, and its mixing easily with oil, it is used as a pigment.



## EIGHTH SPECIES.

## Yellow Lead-Ore.

Gelbes Bleierz.—*Werner*.

Gelbes Bleierz, *Werner*, *Pabst*. 1. b. f. 127.—*Id. Wid.* 864.—  
Oxide de Plomb spathique jaune, *De Born*. t. 2. p. 379.—  
Yellow Lead-Spar, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 212.; *Hatchett*.—Gelbes  
Bleierz, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 403.—Plomb molybdaté, *Haüy*, t. 3.  
p. 498.—La Mine de Plomb jaune, ou le Plomb jaune,  
*Broch.* t. 2. p. 322.—Gelb Bleierz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 236.

*External Characters.*

Its most frequent colour is wax-yellow; from which it passes, on the one side, into lemon-yellow and orange-yellow; on the other side, into yellowish-brown and yellowish-grey: sometimes of a colour which is intermediate between yellowish-white and greyish-white.

Occurs very seldom massive; principally crystallized,

1. In rectangular four-sided tables, which are either perfect, or bevelled on the terminal planes. When the perfect table increases in thickness, it passes into the
2. Cube, which has sometimes straight, sometimes convex planes.
3. Octahedron, which is sometimes truncated on



on its extremities, sometimes on its lateral edges, and sometimes on both at once.

4. Equiangular eight-sided table, bevelled on the terminal planes, and the bevelling planes set on the lateral planes. This passes into the
5. Double eight-sided pyramid.

The tables are usually broad and thin, and alternate from small to very small, but are seldom middle-sized. They are sometimes grown together, and frequently intersect one another, and thus form the cellular external shape.

Externally shining and smooth.

Internally it is glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture small-grained uneven, and passes into the imperfect and small conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty sharp-edged.

Is translucent.

Soft.

Intermediate between brittle and sectile.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.092.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It decrepitates before the blow-pipe, and then melts into a dark greyish-coloured mass, in which globules of lead-ore are dispersed. With borax it forms a brownish-yellow globule; but when in small proportion, and heated by the interior flame, it



it occasionally produces a glass, which is greenish-blue, and sometimes deep blue.

*Constituent Parts.*

*Klaproth* was the first who made us acquainted with the chemical composition of this ore; but we are indebted to our celebrated countryman *Hatchett* for the most complete and accurate analysis of it. It has been also analyzed by *Macquart*, under the immediate inspection of *Vauquelin*.

*Klaproth's Analysis.*

Oxide of lead, 64.42  
Oxide of molybdena, 34.25

*Hatchett's Analysis.*

Oxide of lead, 58.40  
Molybdic acid, 38.0  
Oxide of iron, 2.08  
Silica, 0.28

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*Macquart's Analysis.*

Lead, 58.75  
Molybdena, 28.0  
Oxygen, 4.76  
Carbonat of lime, 4.50  
Silica, 4

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*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs on compact limestone which is much traversed by veins of calc-spar, and is accompanied with molybdena, and yellow lead-earth; sometimes also with lead-glance, white, black and green lead-ore, calamine, blende, calc-spar, fluor-spar, &c.

*Geographic*



*Geographic Situation.*

Bleiberg near Villach in Carinthia; said also to have been found at Saska in the Bannat; Anna-berg in Austria; Rezbanya in Hungary; Freudenstein near Freyberg in the electorate of Saxony; Janowitz in Silesia; and Burgundy in France.

## NINTH SPECIES.

## Lead Vitriol or Vitriol of Lead.

Blei Vitriol.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wid.* f. 870.—Native Vitriol of Lead, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 211.  
 —Natürlicher Bleyvitriol, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 413. & b. 3. f. 366.  
 —Sulphate de Plomb, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 211.—Le Vitriol de Plomb natif, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 325.—Plomb sulphaté, *Haüy,* t. 3. p. 503.—Bleivitriol, *Reufs,* b. 4. f. 264.

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish-grey and greyish-white, which sometimes passes into smoke and ash grey; the lighter varieties incline very much to white.

Occurs only crystallized. The following are the crystallizations hitherto observed:

1. Octahedron.
2. Lengthened octahedron.
3. Octahedron, in which two opposite planes are



are larger than the others, so that it terminates in a line.

4. Octahedron, in which the common base is truncated.
5. Octahedron, in which the angles on the common base are bevelled, and the bevelling planes set on the lateral edges; sometimes the edges of the bevelling are truncated.

Externally it is shining, and its lustre is adamantine, which sometimes inclines to resinous.

Internally it is splendid, and its lustre adamantine.

Fracture compact.

Is more or less transparent, often semitransparent.

Intermediate between soft and very soft.

Rather brittle.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 6.300, from Anglesea.—*Klaproth.*

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It is easily reduced, when exposed to the flame of the blow-pipe. Is insoluble in nitrous acid.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

From Anglesea.		Wanlockhead.
Oxide of lead,	71	70.50
Sulphuric acid,	24.8	25.75
Water of crystallization,	2	2.25
Oxide of iron,	1	

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*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in lead-glance veins at Wanlockhead, and in brown ironstone at Paris Mount in the island of Anglesea. Proust found it in lead-glance veins in Andalusia in Spain.

## TENTH SPECIES.

Lead-Earth.

Bleierde.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into two subspecies. 1. Coherent. 2. Friable.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Coherent Lead-Earth.

Verhärtete Bleierde.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wid.* f. 868.—Le Plomb terreux endurci, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 329.  
—Verhärtete gelbe und graue Bleyerde, *Reufs.* b. 4. f. 270.  
& 272.

*External Characters.*

Its most frequent colour is yellowish-grey, from which it passes, on the one side, into straw-yellow, greenish-grey, and very rarely into skin-green  
and



and apple-green; on the other side, into yellowish-brown. It occurs also smoke-grey, bluish-grey, and light-brownish red. The straw-yellow sometimes passes into sulphur-yellow.

It seldom presents ring-shaped colour delineations.

Occurs massive.

Internally it is glimmering, passing into glistening; and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture small and fine-grained uneven, which sometimes passes into fine splintery and earthy; sometimes into even and flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

It seldom shews imperfect concentric lamellar distinct concretions.

Is usually opaque, or extremely faintly translucent on the edges.

Yields a brown-coloured streak.

Soft, passing into very soft, even into friable, particularly the yellowish-grey, and yellow varieties.

Not very brittle, inclining to sectile.

Easily frangible.

Heavy, inclining to uncommonly heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It is very easily reduced before the blow-pipe; effervesces with acids, and becomes black with sulphuret of ammonia.

#### *Constituent*

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*Constituent Parts.*

Has not been hitherto analyzed: It is supposed to be an intimate combination of white lead-ore, alumina, and lime.

*Geognostic Situation.*

The yellow-coloured varieties occur in a bed in primitive limestone, accompanied with lead-glance and other ores of lead, in the Bannat; the grey-coloured varieties occur sometimes in veins, sometimes in beds, and either in transition or floetz rocks, and are usually accompanied with lead-glance, white lead-ore, iron-ochre, iron-pyrites, malachite, and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

The yellow varieties are found in Derbyshire; Andreasberg and Zellerfeld in the Hartz; La Croix in France; Saska in the Bannat; Nertschinsk in Siberia. The greyish-coloured varieties occur in lead-glance veins at Wanlockhead and Leadhills in Scotland; Zellerfeld in the Hartz; Johanngeorgenstadt in the electorate of Saxony; Tarnowitz in Silesia; the Eichelberg, near Innzell, in the Upper Palatinate; Chentzin in *ci-devant* Poland; Blutner, Tauern in Rauris in Salzburg; Nertschinskoi in Siberia.

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## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Friable Lead-Earth.

*Zerreibliche Bleierde.—Werner.*

Le Plomb terreux friable, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 328.—Zerreibliche gelbe Bleierde, und zerreibliche grüne Bleierde, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 268, 269. 271, 272.

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish-grey and straw-yellow, which sometimes approaches to sulphur-yellow and lemon-yellow.

Occurs friable; sometimes massive and disseminated, and as a coating.

It is composed of dull dusty particles, which are more or less cohering, and soil a little.

Is meagre and rough to the feel.

Heavy.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs on the surface or in the hollows of other minerals, and is usually accompanied with lead-glance and other ores of lead.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Wanlockhead and Leadhills in Scotland; Zellerfeld in the Hartz; Zschopau, and near Freyberg in the electorate of Saxony; in



in the mountains of Kracau in *ci-devant* Poland ; La Croix in Lothringen in France ; Beresowskoi and Nertschinskoi in Siberia.

*Observations.*

1. It is to be observed passing into solid lead-earth.

2. It is probably sometimes formed by the decomposition of lead-glance, as it occurs very often as a crust on it.

3. *Native Lead* is mentioned by several mineralogists, but its existence is still highly problematical.

EIGHTH GENUS.

TIN GENUS.

FIRST SPECIES.

Tin-Pyrites.

Zinnkies.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wid.* f. 875.—Tin Pyrites, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 200.—Zinnkies, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 418.—Etaine sulphuré, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 279.—*Id. Haüy,* t. 4. p. 154.—La Pyrite d'Etain, ou l'Etain pyriteux, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 332.—Zinnkies, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 286.

*External Characters.*

Colour intermediate between steel-grey and brass-yellow, but usually more inclined to the first.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally



Internally it is glistening, sometimes shining, and seldom passes into splendid, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture sometimes small and coarse grained uneven; sometimes, but rarely, inclining to small and imperfect conchoidal, and imperfect foliated.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Is semihard, passing into soft.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.350, *Klaproth*; 4.785, *La Metherie*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it gives a sulphureous odour, and melts easily, without being reduced, into a black scoria.

It communicates a yellow or green colour to borax.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Tin,	34
Copper,	36
Iron,	3
Sulphur,	25
Earthy matter,	2
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<i>Klaproth.</i>	100

#### *Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It has been hitherto found only at Wheal-rock and St Agnes in Cornwall, where it occurs in a vein about nine feet wide, accompanied with copper-pyrites and brown-blende.

*Observation.*

It was formerly confounded with Magnetic Pyrites.

## SECOND SPECIES.

## Tin-Stone.

Zinnstein.—*Werner.*

Stannum Arsenico et Ferro mineralifatum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 319. et seq.—Zinnstein, *Werner*, *Pabst.* 1. b. f. 171.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 880.—Common Tin-stone, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 197.—Etain vitreux, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 238.—Zinnkeis, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 420.—Oxide d'Etain, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 274.—Etain oxidé, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 137.—La Pierre d'Etain, ou la Mine d'Etain commune, *Broch*, t. 2. p. 334.—Zinnstein, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 288.

*External Characters.*

Its most common colour is blackish-brown; from which it passes, on the one side, into brownish-black and velvet-black; on the other side, into hair-brown and reddish-brown, from which it passes further into yellowish-green, yellowish-white, and greenish-white.

Occurs



Occurs massive, disseminated, in rolled pieces, in grains as sand; but most frequently crystallized, and the crystals are in general very indistinct:

1. Rectangular four-sided prism, rather flatly acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes; sometimes the lateral edges, sometimes the edges of the acuminations, and the angles, are more or less deeply truncated.
2. Double four-sided pyramid (octahedron), in which the lateral planes of the one are set on the lateral planes of the other. This figure is very rarely complete, being usually more or less deeply truncated on the common base, and sometimes the edge of the common base is bevelled, and the edge of the bevelment truncated. The angles on the common base are sometimes also truncated.
3. Long rectangular four-sided prism, acuminate on both extremities by eight planes, of which two and two always meet together, under very obtuse angles, and are set on a lateral plane, and again flatly acuminate by four planes, which are set on the obtuse edges of the first acuminations. The edges of the second acuminations are sometimes truncated.
4. Rectangular four-sided prism, acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral edges. Sometimes the lateral edges of the prism are truncated, sometimes also the edges of the acuminations;



acumination ; and in some varieties the edges of the prism and acumination are first bevelled and then truncated.

5. Twin crystals, composed of two crystals obliquely incorporated with each other by one of their summits, in such a manner as to form on the one side a re-entering angle. This angle is large and small ; sometimes it is so small that it appears only like a line, and thus is formed a kind of thick six-sided tabular crystal. The twin crystal is the most common figure of tinstone, and it is usually formed by the octahedron with truncated base.

The surface of the crystals is usually smooth, seldom more or less strongly streaked, and it is commonly splendent.

Internally it is only shining and glistening, and its lustre is intermediate between resinous and adamantine, but more inclining to the latter.

Fracture coarse and small-grained uneven, inclining to imperfect conchoidal ; seldom imperfect foliated, and extremely seldom perfect foliated, and then it is highly splendent.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty blunt-edged.

The massive varieties occur commonly in coarse, small and fine granular distinct concretions.

It alternates from semitransparent to opaque ; the darker coloured varieties are opaque, the lighter

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er translucent and semitransparent, often even inclining to transparent; the intermediate varieties are only translucent and translucent on the edges.

Yields a greyish-white streak.

Is hard.

Easily frangible.

Brittle.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 6.300 to 6.989, *Gellert*; 6.750, *Brunnich*; 6.880, *Leyffer*; 6.9009, the black, 6.9348, the red, *Briffon*; 5.845 to 6.970, *Klaproth*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it decrepitates, becomes paler, and where it rests on the charcoal is reduced. When roasted, it is converted into a grey oxide. Acids dissolve the iron it contains, but only a very minute portion of the tin.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

	From Alternon.	Schlackenwald.	Ehrenfriedersdorf.
Tin,	77.50	75.0	68
Iron,	0.25	0.50	9
Oxygen,	21.50	24.50	16
Silica,	0.75		7
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	100	100	100
	<i>Klaproth.</i>	<i>Klaproth.</i>	<i>Lampadius.</i>

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs only in primitive rocks, as granite, gneiss,



gneifs, mica-flate and clay-flate, and is the oldest of all the metals. It occurs either disseminated in the rock, or in *Stöckwerks*, beds, or veins. It is usually accompanied with quartz, mica, lithomarge, steatite, wolfram, tungsten, arsenic pyrites, copper-pyrites, iron-pyrites, molybdena, black and brown blende; less frequently with fluor-spar, topaz, appatite, felspar, schorl, magnetic ironstone, copper-glance, lead-glance, and white lead-ore. It is found also in great quantity in alluvial land. The greater part of the English, much of the Spanish, and the greater proportion of that in India, occurs in that situation.

*Geographic Situation.*

Tin is not found in many countries, but where it does occur, it is in very considerable quantity. In the most northern countries it is entirely wanting. In *Europe* there are only three tin districts. The first is in the Erzgebirge, on the Saxon and Bohemia sides, and extends as far as the Riesengebirge and Fichtelgebirge. The second district is in Cornwall. The third is that of Galicia on the borders of Portugal.

In *Asia* it is found, in vast quantity, in the peninsula of Malacca, Siam, and in the island of Banka.

In *America* it is said to occur near Cochimbo, and in Chili.

*Use.*



*Use.*

It is worked as an ore of tin, and from it all the tin of commerce is obtained.

*Observations.*

1. Its name is derived from the great quantity of tin which it affords, and its unmetallic-like aspect.

2. It is distinguished from Wolfram by its inferior hardness, as it does not give fire with steel; and by the streak, which in tinstone is greyish-white, but in wolfram reddish-brown: from Blende by its inferior hardness and uneven fracture.

## THIRD SPECIES.

Cornish Tin-Ore, or Wood-Tin.

Kornisch Zinnerz.—*Werner.*

Mine d'Étain mamelonnée, ou en Stalactites, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 428. — Kornisch Zinnerz, *Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 183.—*Id. Wid.* f. 877. — Wood Tin-Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 198.—Étain limoneux, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 248.—Kornisch Zinnerz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 427. — Mine d'Étain ferrugineuse, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 281.—Étain oxidé concretionné, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 147.—La Mine d'Étain grenue, ou l'Étain grenu, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 340.—Holzzinnerz, *Reufs*, p. 4. f. 300.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Its most common colour is hair-brown, of different degrees of intensity, which passes into wood-brown, and nearly into yellowish-grey, sometimes into reddish-brown. In single pieces it is sometimes striped.

Occurs usually in rolled pieces; sometimes we can observe its original shape, which appears to be small reniform; and with impressions.

The reniform is black on the surface, and bears a considerable resemblance to hematite.

Externally glistening.

Internally it is glistening and glimmering, and its lustre is resinous, inclining to adamantine.

Its fracture is delicate, straight, scopiform and stellular diverging fibrous.

Fragments wedge-shaped and splintery.

It occurs usually in large and coarse granular distinct concretions, which are intersected by curved and thin lamellar concretions, and the colour delineation is in the direction of the latter.

The streak is shining and yellowish-brown.

Is opaque.

Hard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.800, *Brunnich*; 6.450, *Klaproth*.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it becomes brownish-black, but is infusible or irreducible, either alone or with borax. In a charcoal crucible, *Klaproth* obtained 0.6333 of tin. It is little affected by acids.

*Constituent Parts.*

*Klaproth* found it to contain in the hundred parts, 63 parts of tin, with iron and arsenic.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Has been hitherto found only in Cornwall, and there in alluvial land, accompanied with tinstone.

*Observations.*

It bears a strong resemblance to Brown Hematite; from which, however, it is distinguished by its hair-brown colour, its rolled pieces, greater hardness, and higher specific gravity\*.

## NINTH

\* Several mineralogists have described *Native Tin*, but its actual existence is far from having been rendered probable.



## NINTH GENUS.

BISMUTH GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

Native Bismuth.

Gediegen Wismuth.—*Werner*.

Wismuthum nativum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 205. — Gediegen Wismuth, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 183.—*Id. Wid.* f. 887. — Native Bismuth, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 264. — Bismuth natif, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 214.—Gediegen Wismuth, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 434.—Bismuth natif, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 331.—*Id. Haüy,* t. 4. p. 184.—*Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 343. — Gediegen Wismuth, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 310.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is silver-white, which inclines to red; on the fresh fracture it acquires a pavonine tarnish, particularly those varieties that contain cobalt.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in leaves whose surface is plumosely streaked; reticulated; and crystallized, in

1. Small, and very small four-sided tables.
2. Very small and indistinct cubes.

3. Three-sided pyramids, with truncated angles. Internally it is splendid, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture perfect foliated, and to appearance with

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with a twofold cleavage, which however appears to be obliquely intersected by a third.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Occurs in small and fine granular, and very seldom in coarse granular distinct concretions.

Is soft.

Sectile, passing into malleable.

Rather difficultly frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 9.0202, *Briffon*; 9.570, *Kirwan*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It melts even by the flame of a candle; before the blow-pipe it melts very quickly to a silver-white globule, which, by continuance of the heat, is volatilized, and deposits a white covering on the charcoal. It dissolves with effervescence in nitrous acid; but if we add water to the solution, it is precipitated in the form of a white powder.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins in primitive mountains, and it is said also disseminated in wacke. It is usually accompanied with ores of cobalt, particularly white cobalt-ore, and grey cobalt-ore; also copper-nickel, iron-pyrites, and brown-blende; sometimes also native silver, and very seldom lead-glance; the vein-stones are quartz, hornstone, calc-spar, brown-spar, and heavy-spar.



*Geographic Situation.*

It occurs more frequently in the electorate of Saxony at Johannegeorgenstadt and Schneeberg, than in any place in Europe; it is found also in considerable quantity at Joachimsthal in Bohemia; and in less abundance in the Black Forest (Schwarzwald) in Swabia. It has been also observed at Zalathna in Transilvania; Temeswar in the Bannat; at Biber in Hanau; St Saviour and in the mines of Brittany in France; Dalecarlia and Nerike in Sweden.

It is said also to have been found in England.

*Use.*

It enters as an ingredient into the composition of types, pewter, is used as folder, in the construction of mirrors, and for the refining of gold and silver; its oxide is used as a white pigment, as an essential ingredient in a kind of salve, which is used for giving a black colour to the hair, and as an ingredient in sympathetic ink.

*Observations.*

It is distinguished from Bismuth-Glance by its colour and regular external figures; the reticulated varieties from reticulated Native Silver, by their colour and inferior malleability.

SECOND



## SECOND SPECIES.

## Bismuth-Glance.

Wismuth-Glanz.—*Werner.*

Galena Wismuthi, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 206.—Minera Wismuthi cinerea-verficolor-martialis, *Id.* p. 207. and 208.—Wismuth-Glanz, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. p. 187.—*Id. Wid.* f. 890.—Sulphurated Bismuth, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 266.—Bismuth sulphuré, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 217.—Wismuth-Glanz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 438, —Bismuth sulphuré, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 333.—*Id. Haüy,* t. 4. p. 190.—La Galena de Bismuth, ou le Bismuth sulphuré, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 346.—Wismuth-Glanz, *Reufs,* b. 4. f. 314.

*External Characters.*

Colour light lead-grey; lighter than that of antimony.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and in acicular and capillary crystals.

Internally the foliated fracture is splendid; the radiated fracture only shining.

Fracture perfect foliated, single cleavage; sometimes also narrow and promiscuous radiated.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

The foliated varieties sometimes shew large and coarse granular distinct concretions.

It soils.

Is soft and very soft.

Brittle inclining to sectile.

Easily



Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 6.4672, *Briffon*; 6.131, *Kirwan*.

*Chemical Characters.*

Melts even by the flame of a candle. Before the blow-pipe it melts very easily, with a blue flame, and disengagement of a sulphureous odour. If the heat be continued, it is almost entirely volatilized, without being reduced to the metallic state.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to the analysis of *Sage*,

Bismuth,	60
Sulphur,	40
Iron,	a trace.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs always in veins, and is usually accompanied with native bismuth, sparry ironstone, arsenic pyrites, copper-pyrites, tinstone, quartz, and fluor-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

Joachimsthal, Schlackenwald in Bohemia; Johannegeorgenstadt, Schwarzenberg, and Altenberg in the electorate of Saxony; Bastnäs near Riddarhytta in Sweden; Deutschpilsen in Hungary.

*Observation.*



*Observation.*

It is distinguished from Grey Antimony-ore by its lighter lead-grey colour, and its greater specific gravity.

## THIRD SPECIES.

Bismuth-Ochre.

Wismuthocker.—*Werner.*

Ochra Wismuthi, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 209.—Wismuthocker, *Wern. Pabst.* i. b. f. 188.—*Id. Wid.* f. 891.—Bismuth-Ochre, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 265.—Ocre de Bismuth, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 194.—Wismuth-Ocker, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 440.—Oxide de Bismuth, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 332.—Bismuth oxidé, *Hauy,* t. 4. p. 194, 195.—L'Ocre de Bismuth, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 348.—Wismuth-Ochre, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 318.

*External Characters.*

Colour straw-yellow, which sometimes passes into light yellowish-grey and ash-grey; sometimes even verges on apple-green.

Occurs sometimes massive, sometimes disseminated.

It is glimmering and glistening when its fracture is fine and small-grained uneven; shining when it is foliated; and dull when it is earthy. Its lustre is adamantine.

Fracture



Fracture fine and small grained uneven, which passes on the one side into foliated, on the other into earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, rather blunt-edged.

Is opaque.

Soft, and very soft verging on friable.

Not very brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.3711, *Briffon*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, on charcoal, it is easily reduced, but is also volatilized if the heat be continued. It dissolves with effervescence in acids.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of bismuth,	86.3
Oxide of iron,	5.2
Carbonic acid,	4.1
Water,	3.4

*Lampadius.* 99.0

#### *Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs along with native bismuth, and is also accompanied with quartz and brown-spar.

It is found at Schneeberg and Johanngeorgenstadt in Saxony, and Joachimsthal in Bohemia, but is a very rare mineral.

*Observation.*



*Observation.*

It has been often confounded with Green Iron-earth, from which it is well distinguished not only by its external aspect, but by its accompanying minerals.

## TENTH GENUS.

## ZINC GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

Blende.

Blende.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into three subspecies:  
1. Yellow-Blende: 2. Brown Blende: 3. Black Blende.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Yellow Blende.

Gelbe Blende.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 188.—*Id. Wid.* 898.—Yellow Blende,  
*Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 238.—Gelbe Blende, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 443.—  
La Blende jaune, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 350.—Gelbe Blende, *Reufs,*  
4. b. f. 326.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour dark wax-yellow, and sulphur-yellow; which passes, on the one side, into asparagus-green, oil-green, and olive-green; on the other, into hyacinth-red, aurora-red, brownish-red, even into reddish and yellowish brown. All these colours incline more or less to green.

Occurs usually massive, and disseminated; also crystallized in rectangular four-sided prisms, which are truncated on the lateral edges, and acuminated by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes.

The crystals are middle-sized and small, but usually very much grown together, which renders it difficult to determine their figure.

The crystals have a smooth surface.

Externally and internally it is shining and splendid, and its lustre is adamantine.

Fracture more or less perfect and straight foliated, with a sixfold cleavage; shews also a conchoidal cross fracture.

Fragments dodecahedral, but on account of the distinct concretions can seldom be obtained perfect, and are therefore most commonly indeterminately angular, and pretty sharp-edged.

Occurs in large and coarse, but seldom in small granular distinct concretions.

Is usually only translucent, but the lighter coloured



loured varieties are semitransparent inclining to transparent.

Is duplicating translucent.

It yields a yellowish-grey and yellowish-white streak.

Is semihard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.044 to 4.048, *Gellert*; 4.067,

*Kirwan*.

*Physical Characters.*

When rubbed with a hard body, it phosphoresces in the dark, and as powerfully under water as in the air.

*Chemical Characters.*

It decrepitates before the blow-pipe, becomes grey, but is infusible either alone or with borax. It is almost wholly dissolved in nitrous acid.

*Constituent Parts.*

Yellow-Blende from Scharfenberg.

Zinc,	64
Sulphur,	20
Iron,	5
Fluoric acid,	4
Silica,	1
Water,	6

*Bergman.* 100



*Geognostic Situation.*

Like the other subspecies of blende, it occurs more frequently in transition than in primitive and floetz mountains. It is the rarest subspecies, and the most beautiful varieties are found at Ratiborziz in Bohemia. It is accompanied with lead-glance, fahl-ore, iron-pyrites, brown-spar, and quartz; sometimes also with native silver and silver-glance.

*Geographic Situation.*

Ratiborziz and Prizbram in Bohemia; Bleyberg in Carinthia; Kapnik and Boitza in Transylvania; Schemnitz and Felsobanya in Hungary; Scharfenberg in Saxony; Merzburg, Reichenstein and Kupferberg, in Silesia; Clausthal in the Hartz; Salzburg; Faustgny in Savoy; Kongberg in Norway; and Kolyvan in Siberia.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Brown-Blende.

Braune Blende.—*Werner.*

This subspecies is divided into two *kinds*: 1. Foliated Brown-Blende: 2. Fibrous Brown-Blende.

FIRST



FIRST KIND.

Foliated Brown-Blende.

Blättrige Braune-Blende.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 191.—*Id. Wid.* f. 896.—Brown Blende, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 239.—Braune Blende, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 447.—La Blende brune, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 353.—Braune blende, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 330.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is reddish and yellowish-brown; from yellowish-brown it passes into blackish-brown, and from reddish-brown into hyacinth-red.

It is sometimes tarnished with variegated colours.

Occurs usually massive, and disseminated; often also crystallized,

1. Simple three-sided pyramid, either perfect, or with truncated angles, and the planes are sometimes convex.
2. Double four-sided pyramid or octahedron, either perfect or truncated on the edges, or angles, or on both at once.
3. Garnet dodecahedron, either perfect or truncated on the alternate lateral and acuminate edges.
4. Rectangular four-sided prism acuminate by four



four planes, which are set on the lateral edges.

5. Acicular crystals.

6. Twin-crystals like those of spinelle.

The crystals are small, very small and middle-sized. Their lateral planes are commonly conical convex.

Externally drusy and shining.

Internally it alternates from specular splendent to weak glimmering, and its lustre is intermediate between resinous and adamantine.

The fracture is more or less perfect foliated, with a sixfold cleavage.

It occurs in granular distinct concretions of all degrees of magnitude, until extremely fine granular, which nearly passes into even.

It is more or less translucent, commonly strongly translucent on the edges. The extremely fine granular is opaque. The large and coarse granular is translucent, sometimes bordering on perfect transparent.

Yields a yellowish-grey and yellowish-brown streak.

Is semihard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.770 to 4.048, *Gellert*; 3.963, *Kirwan*.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

From Sahlberg.	Holzapfel.	Allanheads, North- umberland.
Zinc, 44	Oxide of zinc, 54.5	Zinc, 58.8
Iron, 5	Iron, 5.	Sulphur, 23.5
Sulphur, 17	Sulphur, 16.	Iron, 8.4
Silica, 24	Water, 4.	Silica, 7.0
Alumina, 5	—	—
Water, 5	<i>Schaub.</i> 79.5	<i>Dr Thomson.</i> 97.7
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<i>Bergman.</i> 100		

Blende, like all other ores, often contains what, chemically considered, may be viewed as accidental ingredients. The blende of Prizbram frequently contains silver; that from Nagyag manganese, lead, arsenic, and auriferous silver. The iron is, even by chemists, viewed as an accidental ingredient; but it must be remembered, that they are all of importance to the oryctognost, because they materially influence the external aspect of the mineral.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Its geognostic situation is the same as the preceding subspecies, and, like it, is almost always accompanied with lead-glance.

At Leadhills it is accompanied by lead-glance, white lead-ore, green lead-ore, lead-vitriol, lead-earth, sparry-ironstone, iron-pyrites, brown iron-ochre, brown hematite, copper-azure, earthy manganese-ore, calamine; and the vein-stones are quartz,



quartz, lamellar heavy-spar, calc-spar, brown-spar, and rock-earth. At Prizbram in Bohemia, it occurs with lead-glance, white lead-ore, green lead-ore, black lead-ore, sparry ironstone, grey antimony-ore, white antimony-ore, iron-pyrites, white silver-ore, and native silver. At Mies, also in Bohemia, with lead-glance, white, green and black lead ores, lead-earth, copper-pyrites, malachite, earthy copper-azure, iron-pyrites, quartz, and heavy spar. At Bleyberg in Carinthia, with lead-glance, white and yellow lead-ores, calamine, calc-spar, gyps, and rock-cork. At Offenbanya in Transilvania with graphic ore, iron-pyrites, fahl, or grey copper-ore, and very seldom with native gold. At Clausthal in the Hartz with lead-glance, iron-pyrites, sparry ironstone, copper-pyrites, white lead-ore, light red silver-ore, brittle silver-ore, fahl-ore, calc-spar, and lamellar heavy-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall, Derbyshire, Staffordshire, Northumberland, Cumberland, Anglesea, in England, and Lanarkshire, Dumfrieshire and Argyleshire in Scotland; Bohemia; Carinthia; Hungary; Transilvania; Freyberg, Scharfenberg and Marienberg in the electorate of Saxony; Silesia; Bavaria; Salzburg; Hartz; Holzappel in Anhalt-Bernburg-Schaumburg; Savoy; Spain; Sweden; Siberia.

SECOND



## SECOND KIND.

## Fibrous Brown-Blende.

Fafrige Braune-Blende.—*Werner*.

Colour reddish-brown.

Occurs massive and reniform.

Is glistening, passing into strongly glimmering.

Fracture intermediate between even and extremely delicate scopiform and stellular diverging fibrous.

It consists of large and coarse granular distinct concretions, which are intersected by curved lamellar distinct concretions, which are bent in the direction of the external surface.

Is opaque, or very feebly translucent on the edges.

In other characters, it agrees with foliated brown blende.

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only at Geroldseck in the Breisgau.

## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Black-Blende.

Schwarze-Blende.—*Werner*.

*Id.* *Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 193.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 893.—Black Blende,  
*Kirw.*



*Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 241.—Schwarze Blende, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 451.  
La Blende noire, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 357.—Schwarze Blende,  
*Reufs.* 4. b. f. 337.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between greyish and velvet black; sometimes it is brownish-black. When translucent, it appears blood-red. Is sometimes tarnished with variegated colours.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and crystallized in the same figures as brown-blende.

The crystals are small; and so much grown together, that it is very difficult to ascertain their figure.

Internally it is shining, sometimes splendid, and and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture foliated, with a sixfold cleavage, which in this subspecies is very indistinct.

Fragments indeterminately angular; pretty sharp-edged.

Occurs in coarse, small and fine granular distinct concretions.

Is almost always opaque, excepting the reddish-coloured, which is translucent on the edges and angles.

The streak is intermediate between yellowish-grey and light yellowish-brown, which inclines much to grey.

Is semihard.

Brittle.

Easily



Easily fragible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.967 to 3.930, *Gellert*; 4.1665, *Briffon*; 5.398, auriferous from Nagyag, according to *Von Müller*.

*Constituent Parts.*

From Dannemora.		Bowallon.		
Zinc,	45	52	53	
Iron,	9	8	12	
Lead,	6	—	—	
Arsenic,	1	—	5	
Copper,	—	4	—	
Sulphur,	29	26	26	
Silica,	4	6	—	
Water,	6	4	4	
	—	—	—	
	<i>Bergman.</i>	<i>Bergman.</i>	<i>Lampadius.</i>	

The black-blende from Nagyag, besides zinc, iron, and manganese, contains a portion of auriferous silver. The lead and copper obtained from blende by Bergman, were probably derived from very minutely mixed lead-glance and copper-pyrites, and the silica from the vein-stone.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in the same geognostic relations as the preceding subspecies, and is always accompanied with lead-glance, and frequently with grey copper-ore, white silver-ore, dark red silver-ore, and several other species of silver-ore; also with spar-



ry ironstone, magnetic ironstone, tin-stone, &c. The vein-stones are quartz, calc-spar, brown-spar, and seldom asbestos actynolite, and garnet.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall, Derbyshire, Cumberland, &c.; Norway; Sweden; Hartz; electorate of Saxony; Bohemia; Silesia; Upper Palatinate; Bavaria; Salzburg; Hungary; Transilvania.

*Use of the Species.*

Is sometimes, although extremely rarely, worked as an ore of zinc.

*Observations on the Species.*

1. The different subspecies characterize different formations: the black is the newest; the yellow the oldest; and the brown is of an intermediate age.

2. The brown subspecies is the most frequent, and unites in it all the variety of distinct concretions and lustre that occurs in the yellow and black.

3. The different subspecies occur principally in transition mountains; less frequently in primitive and floetz mountains.

SECOND



## SECOND SPECIES.

## Calamine.

Galmey.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wid.* f. 904.—Compact Calamine, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 234.—Striated Calamine, *Id.* p. 236.—Gemeiner Galmei, und Blättriger Galmei, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 454. & 458.—Calamine, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 322. Zinc oxidé concretionné; et Zinc oxidé cristallisé, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 159. & 161.—La Calamine commune, et la Calamine lamelleuse, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 361. & 364.—Gemeiner Galmei, und Blättricher Galmei, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 345. & 349.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is yellowish-grey, which passes into yellowish and greyish white, that inclines to ash-grey. The yellowish-grey sometimes inclines much to ochre-yellow, which approaches to cream-yellow and yellowish-brown.

Occurs massive, disseminated, cellular, corroded, botryoidal, reniform, stalactitic, coating other minerals, and drusy; and crystallized, in the following forms:

1. Longish rectangular four-sided table, which is either perfect, or bevelled on the terminal planes, and the angles of the bevelment are sometimes more or less deeply truncated.

2. Cube, either with straight or spherical convex

vex



vex planes, and more or less deeply truncated on its angles.

3. Double four-sided pyramid, or octahedron.
4. Flat six-sided prism, bevelled on both extremities, the bevelling planes set on the edges formed by the meeting of the smaller lateral planes; sometimes the bevelling planes are set on the broader lateral planes.

The crystals are small and very small.

The lateral planes of the tables are usually longitudinally streaked; the particular external shapes have usually a rough, the botryoidal only has a drusy surface.

Externally the crystals are splendid and shining.

Internally it alternates from shining to glimmering, and even verges on dull; and its lustre is intermediate between resinous and adamantine.

Its fracture is small and imperfect foliated, which sometimes passes into coarse, small and fine-grained uneven, which latter inclines to earthy; sometimes into narrow, short and stellular, or scopiform diverging radiated, which sometimes approaches to fibrous, and sometimes to splintery.

Fragments are indeterminately angular, and rather blunt-edged.

Occurs in small and fine granular distinct concretions, which are usually very indistinct; sometimes also in thin and curved lamellar concretions.

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The whitish coloured radiated and fibrous varieties are translucent; the greyish feebly translucent; the earthy opaque; but the crystals pass into semitransparent.

Is semihard, passing to soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Rather difficultly frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.5236, *Briffon*; 4.1000, *La Metherie*.

*Chemical Characters.*

When suddenly heated before the blow-pipe, it flies into pieces and becomes white, but it is infusible either alone or with borax. Some varieties effervesce with acids, others do not; but they all form a jelly with acids.

*Constituent Parts.*

Holywill.		Fribourg.		Wanlockhead.	
Oxide of zinc,	65	Oxide of zinc,	36		66
Oxide of iron,	1	Silica,	52		33
Carbonic acid,	28	Water,	12		
Water,	6				
	—		—		—
	<i>Bergman.</i>		<i>Pelletier.</i>		<i>Klaproth.</i>
Derbyshire.		Somersetshire.		Bleyberg.	
Oxide of zinc,	0.652		0.648		0.714
Carbonic acid,	0.348		0.352		0.135
Water,					0.151
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	<i>Mr Smithson.</i>		<i>Id.</i>		<i>Id.</i>
	1.000		1.000		1.000

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs most frequently in beds in a floetz limestone formation, whose geognostic characters and relations remain still unascertained. It is there accompanied with iron-ochre, lead-glance, blende, grey lead-earth, calc-spar, compact brown-ironstone, white and black lead-ore, and clay-ironstone. It is found also in lead-glance veins.

*Geographic Situation.*

Derbyshire, Cumberland, Northumberland and several other counties in England; Lanarkshire and Dumfrieshire in Scotland; Brelen, Aachen in Westphalia; Stolberg in the Hartz; Breisgau; Tarnowitz in Silesia; Cracou in Poland; Bleyberg in Carinthia; Tirnitz in Stiria; Bavaria; Salzburg; France; Crimea; Nertschinsk in Siberia.

*Use.*

When purified and roasted, it is used for the fabrication of brass, which is a compound of zinc and copper.

*Observation.*

Native zinc is said to have been found at Schneeberg in Saxony; also at Bonsal in Derbyshire; in the island of Naxos, and at Rammelsberg in the Hartz; but none of these assertions have been confirmed.

NINTH



## NINTH GENUS.

## ANTIMONY.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Native Antimony.

Gediegen Spießglas.—*Werner*.

Regulus Antimonii nativus, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 196. — Gediegen Spießglas, *Werner*, *Pabst.* 1. b. f. 197.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 909.— Native Antimony, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 245.—Antimonie natif, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 137. — Gediegen spießglas, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 464.—Antimonie natif, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 252. — L'Antimonie natif, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 369.—Gediegen Spießglance, *Reuss*, 4. b. f. 362.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is perfect tin-white. On the fresh fracture it sometimes becomes covered with a blackish or yellowish tarnish.

Occurs massive, disseminated, reniform, and probably also crystallized.

On the fresh fracture it is splendent, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture perfect, usually straight, sometimes also curved foliated, with a fourfold cleavage, the folia of which intersect each other obliquely.

Fragments sometimes very oblique rhomboidal, more usually indeterminately angular, and blunted-edged.

Occurs



Occurs in coarse, small and fine granular distinct concretions; sometimes in thin and curved lamellar distinct concretions.

Is soft, passing into semihard.

Rather sectile.

Easily frangible.

Heavy in a low degree.

Specific gravity, 6.720, *Klaproth*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it melts easily into a metallic globule, which, like arsenic, disengages a smoke which has a faint garlic smell; if the heat is continued, the globule is entirely dissipated.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

According to *Klaproth*, the native antimony of Andreasberg affords

Antimony,	98
Silver,	1
Iron,	0.25

#### *Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found in veins, as in the mountains of Chalanches in Dauphiny, where it is accompanied by grey antimony-ore, white antimony-ore, red antimony-ore, cobalt-glance, and quartz; at Andreasberg in the Hartz, by red silver-ore, calc-spar and



and quartz; at Sahlberg, in Westermannland in Sweden, disseminated in calc-spar.

*Observations.*

1. It appears to be very nearly allied to native arsenic, as the curved lamellar variety passes into it.
2. It is a rare mineral.
3. It is distinguished from all other fossils with which it might be confounded, by colour, fracture, hardness and weight.

SECOND SPECIES.

Grey Antimony-Ore.

Grauspiefglaferz.—*Werner.*

This species contains four subspecies. 1. Compact; 2. Foliated; 3. Radiated; 4. Plumose or Featherose.

FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Compact Grey Antimony-Ore.

Dichtes Grauspiefglaferz.—*Werner.*

Minera Antimonii folida, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 198.—Dichter Grauspiefglaferz, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 197.—*Id. Wid.* f. 912.—Compact sulphurated Antimony, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 247.—Dichter Grauspiefglaferz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 468.—L'Antimoine gris compacte, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 372.—Dichter Grauspiefglaferz, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 367.

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*Externa.*



*External Characters.*

Its colour is perfect light lead-grey, and it has sometimes a pavonine or steel-coloured tarnish.

Occurs usually massive, disseminated, and seldom in membranes.

Internally, shining and glistening, and lustre metallic.

Fracture small and fine grained uneven, which latter sometimes passes into even.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Very seldom shows small granular distinct concretions.

Is soft.

Not particularly heavy.

Easily frangible.

Soils.

Becomes more shining in the streak.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.368, *Kirwan*.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Sahlberg in Sweden; Braunsdorf near Freyberg in Saxony; Hungary; Baireuth; Salzburg; Auvergne in France; Siberia; and Chili.

This is the rarest subspecies, and occurs almost always with the following subspecies.

SECOND



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Foliated Grey Antimony-Ore.

Blättriches Graupiesglaferz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 197:—Foliated sulphurated Antimony, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 248. — Blättriches Graupiesglaferz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 470. — L'Antimonie gris lamelleux, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 373. — Blättriches Graupiesglaferz, *Reufs.* 4. b. f. 368.

*External Characters.*

Colour same as that of the preceding subspecies.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally, it alternates from shining to splendid, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture foliated, which sometimes passes into broad radiated. It appears to have a single cleavage.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Occurs in coarse, small, fine, and usually longish granular distinct concretions.

Is soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.368, *Kirwan*.

THIRD



## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Radiated Grey Antimony Ore.

Strahlisches Grauspiefglaferz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 198.—*Id. Wid.* f. 914. — Striated sulphurated Antimony, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 249. — Strahlisches Grauspiefglaferz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 374. — L'Antimonie gris rayonné, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 374.—Strahlisches Grauspiefglaferz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 370.

*External Characters.*

Colour light lead-grey, and sometimes tarnished with an azure-blue colour, with that of tempered steel, and also pavonine.

Occurs massive, disseminated; and very often crystallized,

1. In rather obtuse four-sided prisms, acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes. Sometimes the obtuse lateral edges are bevelled or rounded off, so that the crystal receives a reed-like shape.
2. In six-sided prisms, acuminate by four, and sometimes by six planes, which are set on the lateral planes.
3. In acicular and sometimes in capillary crystals.

The crystals usually intersect one another, or are scopiformly aggregated. Their surface is strongly



strongly longitudinally streaked, and usually shining.

Internally, it alternates from splendent to gliftening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture very broad, broad, or narrow, straight, and sometimes scopiform and stellular diverging radiated; sometimes promiscuous radiated. The very narrow radiated passes into fibrous, and the very broad into foliated.

Fragments usually indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged, sometimes also splintery.

Occurs sometimes in thin and imperfect columnar, and sometimes in coarse and small longish granular distinct concretions.

Is soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.200, *Bergman*; 4.229, *Gelert*; 4.1327 to 4.5165, *Briffon*; 4.440, *Kirwan*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It melts very easily before the blow-pipe, emits a sulphureous odour, and yields a white smoke; if the heat is continued, it is entirely dissipated, excepting a small whitish residue. Aqua regia dissolves the antimony, and the sulphur remains behind.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Antimony,	74
Sulphur,	26
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	100

*Bergman.**Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs always in veins, and either in primitive or transition mountains.

At Glendinning, in the upper part of Dumfriesshire, it occurs in veins that traverse transition rocks, accompanied with fine granular lead-glance, brown-blende, iron-pyrites, quartz, and calc-spar\*; at Offenbanya in Hungary with lead-glance, grey copper-ore, iron-pyrites, and brown-blende in granular limestone; at Felsobanya with grey copper-ore, plumose antimony, red orpiment, red antimony-ore, rose-red brown-spar, calc-spar, and quartz; and the antimony appears of all these to be the newest: the Norwegian occurs disseminated in olive-green and blackish-brown coloured garnet.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall; Glendinning in Dumfriesshire; Sahlberg in Sweden; Narverud and Hillebeck near Eger in Norway; Stollberg in the Hartz; Prizbram, &c. in Bohemia; Braunsdorf, Voigtsberg, and Rochlitz in the electorate of Saxony; Silesia; Baireuth; Black Forest in Swabia; Scharzleogang,

\* Mineralogical Description of Dumfriesshire, p. 74.



gang, Rathhausberg in Gastein, Goldberg in Rauris in Salzburg; Allemont in Dauphiny. Lubillac in Auvergne, Poitou in France; Alkraraz in the Sierra Morena in Spain; Tuscany; Savoy; Corfica; Oravicza in the Bannat; Transilvania; Hungary.

*Uses.*

The pure metal is obtained from this and the preceding subspecies. It possesses the property of giving to lead and tin a very considerable degree of hardness; hence it is employed in the fabrication of types and optical mirrors. It is also used as an emetic and purgative medicine, and enters into the composition of the colour called *Naples Yellow*, and into certain brown colours.

*Observations.*

1. It is the most common subspecies of grey antimony-ore, and it is from it that the greater quantity of the antimony of commerce is obtained.

2. It passes into White Silver-ore, and Fahl or Grey Copper Ore.

FOURTH SUBSPECIES.

Plumose Grey Antimony-Ore.

Federerz.—*Werner.*

Minera Antimonii plumosa, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 197.—*Federerz, Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 201.—*Id. Wid.* f. 916.—Plumose antimonial Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 250.—*Federerz, Emm.* 2. b. f. 474.—*L'Antimoine en Plumes, Broch.* t. 2. p. 377.—*Haarförmiges Grauspiefglanzerz, Reufs,* 4. b. f. 375.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between blackish lead-grey and steel-grey. The lighter coloured varieties have sometimes a tempered-steel coloured tarnish.

Occurs sometimes massive; most commonly, however, in thin capillary crystals, which are almost always promiscuous, and very much grown together.

Externally, the crystals are glistening.

Internally, it is glimmering, and its lustre is from semimetallic to metallic.

Fracture delicate, and promiscuous fibrous.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Is opaque.

Is very soft, passing into soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Intermediate between not particularly heavy and heavy.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to *Bergman*, it is composed of antimony, sulphur, arsenic, iron, and silver.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Is found always in veins in primitive mountains, and is usually accompanied with quartz.

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In the mines in the neighbourhood of Freyberg, where it occurs in considerable quantity in veins that contain much white silver-ore, it is usually accompanied with quartz, brown-spar, calc-spar, lead-glance, iron-pyrites, black-blende, and seldom argentiferous arsenic pyrites. At Nagyag, it occurs in veins from five to six inches wide, with native sylvan, lead-glance, iron-pyrites, native arsenic, black-blende, red manganese-ore, brown-spar, and quartz. At Felsőbanya, with radiated and foliated grey antimony-ore, red orpiment, quartz, and heavy-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

Andreasberg and Clausthal in the Hartz; Freyberg and Braunsdorf in the electorate of Saxony; Rathhausberg in Gastein and Schwarzleogang in Salzburg; Schemnitz in Hungary; Nagyag and Felsőbanya in Transilvania; Mexico.

THIRD SPECIES:

Black Antimony-Ore.

Schwarz-spießglaserz.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Colour, iron-black.

Occurs only crystallized, and that in rectangular

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lar four-sided tables, which are truncated on the edges, and sometimes also on the angles.

The planes of the crystals are usually smooth, and they are middle-sized and small.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is metallic. Fracture small conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Soft.

Rather sectile, and

Heavy.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found particularly beautiful in Cornwall.

FOURTH SPECIES.

Red Antimony-Ore.

Roth-spießglaserz.—*Werner.*

Minera Antimonii colorata, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 199.—Roth-spießglaserz, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 202.—*Id. Wid.* f. 918.—Red antimonial Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 250.—Rothspießglaserz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 477.—Antimoine rougeâtre, mineralisé par le Soufre, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 343.—Antimoine hydro-sulphuré, *Haüy,* t. 4. p. 276.—L'Antimoine rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 379.—Rothspießglanzerz, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 379.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is cherry-red, and it has sometimes a tempered steel-coloured tarnish.

Occurs



Occurs massive, often in membranes, but most frequently in delicate capillary crystals, which are sometimes promiscuous, sometimes scopiformly aggregated.

Externally and internally it is shining, and its lustre is nearly adamantine.

Fracture delicate, scopiform, and stellular diverging fibrous, which passes into narrow radiated.

Fragments wedge-shaped and splintery.

Occurs in coarse, small and longish granular distinct concretions, which sometimes approach the wedge-shaped columnar.

Is opaque.

Colour not changed in the streak.

Very soft, passing into friable.

Not very brittle.

Easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.750, *La Metherie*; 4.090, *Klaproth*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Melts very easily before the blow-pipe; emits a weak sulphureous odour, and is at length totally volatilized; it deposits a white powder in nitric acid.

#### *Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

From the mine called Neue Hoffnung Gottes at Braünfsdorf:

Antimony,	67.5
Oxygen,	10.8
Sulphur,	19.7
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<i>Klaproth.</i>	98.0

*Geognostic Situation.*

This rare species of ore occurs in veins along with quartz, and grey antimony-ore; sometimes also with native antimony and white antimony-ore.

## FIFTH SPECIES.

## White Antimony-Ore.

Weiss-spießglaserz.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 2. b. f. 203.—*Id. Wid.* f. 920.—Muriated Antimony, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 251.—Muriate d'Antimoine, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 147.—Weiss-spießglaserz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 480.—Antimoine muriatique, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 348.—Antimoine oxydé, *Hauy,* t. 4. p. 273.—Antimoine blanc, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 381.—Weiss-spießglanzerz, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 382.

*External Characters.*

It passes from snow-white, through greyish-white, light ash-grey into yellowish-white, which latter colour is the most common.

Occurs seldom massive, sometimes in membranes, commonly crystallized,

1. In



1. In longish and thin perfect rectangular four-sided tables, from which there is a transition into

2. The cube.

3. In acicular and capillary crystals.

The tables are small and very small, usually adhering by their lateral planes, and sometimes, although seldom, manipular aggregated, and often intersect each other in such a manner as to form the cellular external shape.

The crystals are sometimes smooth, sometimes feebly longitudinally streaked and splendent.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is intermediate between pearly and adamantine.

Fracture foliated, single cleavage; sometimes also narrow, scopiform, and stellular diverging radiated.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Occurs in coarse and small granular distinct concretions; the foliated shews sometimes wedge-shaped columnar, and the radiated thin columnar distinct concretions.

It is translucent.

Soft.

Not particularly brittle; rather sectile.

Heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it melts very easily, gives a white smoke, and is at length totally volatilized.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

*Hacquet* first conjectured that it contained a considerable portion of muriatic acid, and some experiments led *Klaproth* to nearly the same opinion; *Lampadius's* analysis gave him as its constituent parts, 0.80 antimony, and 0.20 muriatic acid. *Klaproth* more lately has ascertained it to be a pure white oxide of antimony; and *Vauquelin* has found that from Allemont in Dauphiny, to contain

Oxide of antimony,	86
Oxides of antimony and lead,	3
Silica,	8
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*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in veins, and is usually accompanied with the other ores of antimony.

At Prizbram in Bohemia it occurs along with crystallized lead-glance; at Allemont with native antimony, and grey and red antimony-ores.

Besides the places already mentioned, it is said to have been found at Malaczk in Hungary, and in the Neue Hoffnung Gottes, at Braunsdorf in the electorate of Saxony.



## SIXTH SPECIES.

## Antimony-Ochre.

*External Characters.*

Colour straw-yellow of various degrees of intensity, which inclines to yellowish-brown.

Occurs seldom massive and disseminated; usually as a coating on crystals of grey antimony-ore.

Is dull.

Fracture earthy, and sometimes inclines to radiated.

Is soft, passing into very soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Not particularly heavy.

When it is long inclosed, it emits a weak bitter smell.

*Chemical Characters.*

It does not melt before the blow-pipe, only becomes white and evaporates. With borax it intumesces, and is partly reduced to the metallic state.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs always in veins, and accompanied with grey antimony-ore, and sometimes with red antimony-ore.

It is found at Dublowitz near Seltshaw in Bohemia; Telkebanya in Hungary; Toplitza in Transilvania;



Transilvania; Braunsdorf, in the electorate of Saxony; on the Sonnenberg near Mitterfill in Salzburg; and in Siberia.

*Observation.*

It is evidently formed by the decomposition of Grey Antimony-Ore.

TWELFTH GENUS.

COBALT GENUS.

FIRST SPECIES.

White Cobalt-Ore.

Weisser-Speiscobold.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

On the fresh fracture its colour is tin-white, sometimes tarnishes a little grey; and in the bosom of the earth, or in its original repository, it has a pavonine tarnish.

Occurs massive, disseminated, globular, botryoidal, thin cylindrical, frequently reticulated, fruticose; and crystallized, in

1. Cubes, which have sometimes spherical convex planes, and in which the angles and edges are sometimes truncated. They are often burst.

2. Double



2. Double four-sided pyramids or octahedrons.

The external surface of the crystals is smooth, and splendid, and its lustre is metallic,

Internally glistening, and lustre metallic.

Fracture coarse and fine-grained uneven, but often passes into imperfect foliated, also into scopiform and stellular diverging fibrous and radiated.

Fragments indeterminately angular, rather blunt-edged; in the varieties with a radiated fracture, wedge-shaped.

Occurs in coarse, small and fine granular distinct concretions; sometimes also in lamellar fortifications-wise bent concretions.

Semihard in a high degree.

Brittle.

Not very difficultly frangible.

Heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

It melts easily before the blow-pipe, and disengages a thick smoke and strong arsenical smell; it yields a white metallic globule; it colours glass of borax blue.

*Constituent Parts.*

From Tunaberg in Sweden.

Cobalt,	44	36.66
Arsenic,	55.5	49.00
Sulphur,	0.5	6.50
Iron,	—	5.66
Lofs,	—	2.18

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*Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs usually in beds, and always in primitive mountains, and is by *Werner* considered to be the oldest formation of cobalt.

It is found at Tunaberg and Los in Sweden, and at Modum in Norway, in both places in beds which lie in mica-slate; also in a similar repository and rock at Giern in Silesia.

## SECOND SPECIES.

Grey Cobalt-Ore.

Grauer Speiskobold,—*Werner*.

*External Characters.*

On the fresh fracture its colour is light steel-grey, which inclines to white; but by exposure it gradually acquires a tempered-steel and greyish-black tarnish.

Occurs only massive, disseminated, tubiform, and specular.

Internally strongly glimmering or glistening, and lustre metallic.

Fracture even, which sometimes passes into flat and large conchoidal, sometimes into fine-grained uneven.

Fragments



Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty sharp-edged.

Occurs seldom in thick and curved lamellar distinct concretions.

Streak is metallic shining, without changing the colour.

Is semihard.

Very brittle.

Easily frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.503, *Gellert*; 5.309, *Kirwan*; 5.511 to 7.7207, *Haüy*.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

From Dolcoath in Cornwall.

Cobalt,	20
Iron,	24
Arsenic,	33
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<i>Klaproth.</i>	77

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs frequently with cobalt-glance, and in the same kind of repositories. It is, however, rarer. It is usually accompanied with cobalt-crust, native bismuth, copper-nickel and nickel-ochre. It occurs also along with rich silver-ores.

#### *Geographic*



*Geographic Situation.*

Dolcoath in Cornwall; Norway; Annaberg. Schneeberg, and Freyberg in the electorate of Saxony; Joachimsthal in Bohemia; Krobisdorf, Hindorf, and Kupferberg in Silesia; Wittichen in Swabia; Naffau; Salzburg; Allemont in France; Stiria; and Hungary.

## THIRD SPECIES.

## Cobalt-Glance.

Glanz-Kobold.—*Werner.*

Colour silver-white, slightly inclining to reddish. The surface of the fresh fracture becomes gradually greyish; and it has even sometimes a columbine tarnish in its original repository.

Commonly massive and disseminated; also fruticose, cylindrical, and reticulated; sometimes crystallized,

1. Cube, either perfect or truncated on the edges.
2. Dodecahedron.
3. Icosahedron?
4. Octahedron?

The crystals are small, seldom middle-sized, and their planes are smooth.

Externally



Externally splendid.

Internally it is intermediate between shining and glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture fine-grained uneven, seldom scopiform and stellular diverging radiated, and imperfect foliated, which presents a threefold rectangular cleavage.

Fragments indeterminately angular, rather blunt-edged.

Is usually unseparated, but sometimes in coarse, small and fine granular distinct concretions, and also in fortifications-wise bent lamellar distinct concretions.

Is semihard.

Brittle.

Not very easily frangible.

From heavy to uncommonly heavy.

When struck with steel, it emits an arsenical smell.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins, not only in primitive but also in transition and floetz mountains. It is almost always accompanied with copper-nickel, nickel-ochre and cobalt-crust. It is sometimes also accompanied by native bismuth, native silver, red silver ore, arsenic pyrites, native arsenic, &c.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

Schneeberg, Annaberg, and Johanngeorgenstadt in Saxony; Saalfeld in Thuringia; Silesia; Hessia;

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Hessia ; Swabia ; Hartz ; France ; Spain ; Norway ; Sweden.

*Uses.*

This is the most common species of cobalt, and is that from which the cobalt of commerce is principally obtained. When roasted and melted in certain proportions with pounded quartz, it forms *smalt*, a compound which is highly useful in the manufacturing of porcelain and glass, and for painting.

The other species of cobalt are employed for similar purposes.

FOURTH SPECIES.

Black Cobalt-Ochre.

Schwarz Erdkobold.—*Werner.*

This species contains two subspecies : 1. Earthy Black Cobalt-Ochre : 2. Indurated Black Cobalt-Ochre.

FIRST SUBSPECIES.

Earthy Black Cobalt-Ochre.

Schwarzer Kobold Mulm.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern. Pabst. 1. b. f. 205.*—Zerreiblicher schwarzer Erdkobold,



bold, *Wid.* f. 933.—Loose black Cobalt-ochre, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 275.—Schwarzer Kobold Mulm, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 49<sup>8</sup>.—Le Cobalt terreux noire friable, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 397.—Zerreiblicher schwarzer Erdkobold, *Reufs.* 4. b. f. 411.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between brownish and bluish black; the bluish-black is essential, the brownish-black it derives from iron.

Is composed of dull dusty particles, which soil very little.

Usually cohering, sometimes also loose.

Streak shining.

Meagre to the feel.

Light, almost swimming.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it gives a white smoke, which has an arsenical smell, and it colours borax blue.

It dissolves in muriatic acid.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Indurated Black Cobalt-Ochre.

Fester Schwarz Erdkobold.—*Werner.*

Verhärteter schwarzer Erdkobold, *Wid.* f. 933.—Indurated black Cobalt-ochre, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 275.—Verhärteter schwarzer



schwarzer Erdkobold, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 499.—Le Cobalt terreux noir endurci, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 397.—Verhärteter Schwarzer Erd-cobalt, *Reufs.* 4. b. f. 413.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is almost always bluish-black; seldom inclines to brownish-black.

Occurs massive, disseminated, as a coating, small botryoidal, and small reniform.

Surface feebly glimmering.

Internally dull.

Fracture fine earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

The botryoidal varieties show thin and curved lamellar distinct concretions.

Streak shining and resinous.

Is very soft.

Rather sectile.

Easily frangible.

Light.

Specific gravity, 2.019 to 2.425, *Gellert.*

*Constituent Parts.*

It is considered as a very pure oxide of cobalt.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Both subspecies usually occur together, and in the same kind of repository; but the first subspecies is by far the most rare. They are found sometimes



sometimes in primitive mountains, but most frequently in floetz mountains, where they are accompanied with ochrey-brown ironstone, red, brown, and yellow cobalt-ochres, native-silver, several other ores of silver and of copper, and heavy-spar, calc-spar, and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

Riechelsdorf in Heflia; Schneeberg, Sofa, Kamfdorf, Saalfeld, and Glücksbrunn in Saxony; Bohemia; Wittichen in Furstenberg, Alpirsbach in Wurtemberg in Swabia; Bocksdorf and Schachten in the Upper Palatinate; Fuyen in Zillerthal in Salzburg; Kleinzell in Austria; Kitsbichl in the Tyrol; Allemont in France; the valley of Gistain in Spain.

*Use.*

It affords a most excellent blue colour; hence is highly valued as an ore of cobalt.

FIFTH SPECIES.

Brown Cobalt-Ochre.

Brauner Erdkobold.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 206. — *Id. Wid.* f. 935. — Brown Cobalt-ochre, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 276. — Brauner Erdkobalt, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 503. — Le Cobalt terreux brun, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 400. — Brauner Erdkobalt, *Reufs.* 4. b. f. 415.

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*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour liver-brown, which sometimes passes into yellowish-brown, sometimes into black, and sometimes into ash-grey.

The yellowish-grey makes the transition into the yellow, and the black into black cobalt-ochre.

Occurs massive, and disseminated.

Internally dull.

Fracture fine earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Streak shining, but does not change its colour.

Is very soft.

Sectile.

Easily frangible.

Light.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It appears to be peculiar to the floetz mountains, and is usually accompanied with red and black cobalt-ochre. It is usually mixed with iron-ochre, which renders it one of the least valued ores of cobalt.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Kamisdorf and Saalfeld in Saxony; Alpirsbach in Wurtemberg; and in the valley of Gistain in Spain.

*Observation.*



*Observation.*

We must be careful not to confound it with Iron-Ochre, with which it is usually accompanied.

## SIXTH SPECIES.

## Yellow Cobalt-Ochre.

Gelber Erdkobold.—*Werner.*

Ochra Cobalti lutea et alba, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 183.—Gelber Erdkobold, *Wid.* f. 936. — Yellow Cobalt-ochre, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 277. — Gelb Erdkobold, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 504.—Le Cobalt terreux jaune, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 401.—Gelber Erdkobalt, *Reufs.* 4. b. f. 417.

*External Characters.*

Colour dirty straw-yellow, which in some varieties passes into light yellowish-grey; which latter colour is frequently considered as white.

Occurs massive, frequently very much bursten and corroded.

Internally dull.

Fracture fine earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Streak shining.

Is soft, passing into friable.

Sectile.



Sectile.

Easily frangible.

Light.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in the same geognostic situation as the preceding species, and is almost always accompanied by cobalt-crust, and sometimes by cobalt-bloom, nickel-ochre, iron-shot copper-green, and copper-azure.

*Geographic Situation.*

Saalfeld in Thuringia; Kupferberg in Silesia; Wittichen in Furstenberg and Alpirsbach in Wurtemberg in Swabia; Allemont in France.

*Observations.*

1. It is the rarest species of cobalt-ore, but is one of the most valued, on account of its great purity.

2. It is characteristic for the ochres of cobalt, that they are all light, soft, nearly sectile, and yield a shining resinous streak.

SEVENTH SPECIES:

Red Cobalt-Ochre.

Rother Erdkobold.—*Werner.*

This species contains two subspecies: 1. Cobalt-Crust. 2. Cobalt-Bloom.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Cobalt-Crust.

Koboldbeschlag.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wid.* f. 938.—Cobaltic Incrustations, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 279.  
 —Koboldbeschlag, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 509.—Le Cobalt terreux  
 rouge, pulverulent, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 405.—Erdiger rother Erd-  
 cobalt, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 419.

*External Characters.*

Colour peach blossom-red, of different degrees  
 of intensity, which sometimes inclines to crimson-  
 red, sometimes verges on cochineal-red, and also  
 passes into reddish-white.

Occurs seldom massive, often in velvety drusy  
 coatings, and disseminated, and also small botry-  
 oidal and small reniform.

It is very feebly glimmering, bordering on dull.

Fracture fine earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-ed-  
 ged.

Scarcely foils.

Streak shining.

Is very soft, sometimes passing into friable.

Light.

## SECOND



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Cobalt-Bloom.

Koboldblüthe.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 206.—*Id. Wid.* f. 939.—Cobaltic Germinations, Flowers of Cobalt of some, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 278.—Koboldblüthe, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 507.—Fleurs de Cobalt, ou Cobalt terreux rayonné rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 403.—Strahllicher rother Erdkobalt, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 420.

*External Characters.*

Colour peach-blossom red, often also cochineal and crimson red, pearl-grey, greenish-grey, and by decomposition it passes into cherry-red.

Occurs massive, disseminated, often in membranes, small reniform; and also crystallized,

1. In short acicular crystals, which appear to be perfect four-sided prisms.
2. In acute double six-sided pyramids, in which the lateral planes of the one are set on the lateral planes of the other, and usually somewhat compressed.
3. Rectangular four-sided prisms, with beveled terminal planes.

Externally shining, passing into splendid.

Internally shining and glistening, and its lustre is pearly.

Fracture narrow, and sometimes stellular and scopiform



scopiform diverging radiated; extremely seldom straight radiated, and sometimes it passes into fibrous.

Fragments splintery and wedge-shaped.

Sometimes it occurs in thin columnar distinct concretions, which are collected into coarse and small granular distinct concretions.

Is more or less translucent; sometimes translucent on the edges.

Colour not changed in the streak,

Is soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Rather sectile.

Easily frangible.

Light.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it becomes grey, and emits a garlic smell, but without smoke: to borax it communicates a blue colour.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Its constituent parts are still undetermined; it is supposed to be an arseniat of cobalt.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins, and is accompanied with cobalt-glance, grey cobalt-ore, and other species of cobalt-ore. It is found also along with nickel-ochre,



ochre, copper-pyrites, native bismuth, grey copper-ore, copper-azure, iron-shot copper-green, quartz, heavy-spar, hornstone, calc-spar, and brown-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall; Alva in Scotland; Modiem in Norway; Riechelsdorf in Hesse; Schneeberg, Annaberg, Saalfeld and Glücksbrunn in Saxony; Kupferberg in Silesia; Wittichen in Furstenberg and Alpirsbach in Wurtemberg in Swabia; Rathhaufberg in Gastein, Zinkwand in Salzburg; and Dopschau in Hungary.

THIRTEENTH GENUS.

NICKEL GENUS.

FIRST SPECIES.

Copper-Nickel.

Kupfernickel.—*Werner.*

Niccolum Ferro et Cobalto mineralisatum,--Cuprum Niccoli, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 188.—Kupfernickel, *Rom. D. L.* t. 3. p. 135.—*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 206.—*Id. Wid.* f. 943.—Sulphurated Nickel, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 286.—Kupfernickel, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 513.—*Id. Lam.* t. 1. p. 384.—Nickel arsenical, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 503.—Le Kupfernickel, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 408.—Kupfernickel, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 430.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour copper-red of different degrees of intensity.

Occurs usually massive and disseminated; extremely seldom reticulated; fruticose; small globular and botryoidal.

Internally glistening; sometimes shining bordering on splendid, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture usually imperfect conchoidal, sometimes passing into coarse, small and fine grained uneven: The uneven has the least, the conchoidal the greatest degree of lustre.

Fragments indeterminately angular and sharp-edged.

Is usually unseparated, sometimes also in coarse and small granular distinct concretions.

Semihard in a high degree.

Brittle.

Not very easily frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 7.560, *Gellert*; 6.6086--6.6481, *Briffon*.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it emits an arsenical smoke and odour: it afterwards melts, although with difficulty, into a scoria mixed with metallic grains. Its solution in acids is green.



*Constituent Parts.*

According to *Bergman*, it is composed of nickel, iron, cobalt, arsenic, and sulphur. *Vauquelin* is of opinion, that it is an alloy of nickel and arsenic. Sage found in it,

Nickel,	75
Arsenic,	22
Sulphur,	2
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*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs not only in primitive, but also in floetz mountains, and always in veins.

It is almost always accompanied by nickel-ochre and cobalt-glance: it is sometimes also found along with grey cobalt-ore, different ores of silver, and heavy-spar, calc-spar, brown-spar, and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall; Norway; Los in Helsingeland in Sweden; Andreasberg in the Hartz; Riechelsdorf and Biber in Hessia; Schneeberg, Annaberg, Freyberg, &c. in the electorate of Saxony; Querbach in Silesia; Joachimsthal in Bohemia; Wittichen in Swabia; Salzburg; Stiria; Allemont in France; Gistain in Arragon in Spain; Koliwan in Siberia.

*Observations.*

1. It is very nearly allied to Cobalt, and Werner suspects that it passes into it.

2. It



2. It has a striking resemblance to copper, but is well distinguished from it by its brittleness.

3. In several English mineralogical works, the German name *Kupfernickerl* is very unnecessarily retained.

4. Its name is derived from its copper-red colour, and its constituent parts.

## SECOND SPECIES.

### Nickel-Ochre.

#### Nickelocker.—*Werner*.

Flos Niccoli, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 300.—Nickelocker, *Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 207.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 945.—Nickel Ochre, *Kiraw.* vol. ii. p. 283.—Oxide de Nickel, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 210.—Nickelocker, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 516.—Oxide de Nickel, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 383.—Nickel oxidé, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 516.—L'Ocre de Nickel, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 411.—Nickelochre, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 435.

#### *External Characters.*

Colour apple-green.

Occurs almost always as a thin coating or efflorescence; seldom massive or disseminated.

Is composed of dull dusty particles, which scarcely soil.

Loose, or very little cohering.

Feels meagre.

Light.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters.*

Infusible, without addition, before the blow-pipe; colours borax light hyacinth red, and is thereby reduced: is insoluble in nitrous acid.

*Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of nickel,	67.
Oxide of iron,	23.2
Water,	1.5
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*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Are the same with those of copper-nickel.

*Observation.*

Some mineralogists describe Native Nickel and Arseniat of Nickel; but their existence remains still so doubtful, that any detail of the very imperfect accounts of them would be misplaced in a System of Oryctognosy.

## FOURTEENTH GENUS.

## MANGANESE GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Grey Manganese-Ore.

Grau Braunsteinerz.—*Werner.*

This species contains four subspecies. 1. Radiated. 2. Foliated. 3. Compact. 4. Earthy.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Radiated Grey Manganese-Ore.

Strahliges grau Braunsteinerz.—*Werner*.

*Id.* *Werner*, *Pabst.* 1. b. f. 216.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 948.—Striated grey Ore of Manganese, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 291.—Strahliges grau Braunsteinerz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 522.—Le Manganese gris rayonné, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 414.—Strahlisches Graubraunsteinerz, *Reufs*, b. 1. f. 448.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark steel-grey, which inclines more or less to iron-black.

Occurs massive, disseminated; and crystallized in,

1. Longish oblique four-sided prisms, which are either,

*a.* Flatly bevelled on the extremities, and the bevelling planes set on the obtuse lateral edges; or

*b.* Acuminated by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes; and sometimes

*c.* The lateral planes are truncated, and the truncating edges bevelled.

2. Sometimes the prisms are acicular; and when the obtuse lateral edges are rounded off, they are reed-like.

The surface of the crystals is longitudinally streaked, and it is shining, passing to splendent.

Internally



Internally it is glistening and shining, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture narrow, straight, scopiform and stellular diverging radiated; and the surface of the fracture is also streaked.

Fragments wedge-shaped and splintery, but, in the great, indeterminately angular and blunt-edged.

Occurs in coarse, large, and small granular distinct concretions, which are somewhat longish and wedge-shaped.

Colour not changed in the streak.

When it is rubbed it soils strongly.

Is soft, inclining to very soft.

Brittle.

Rather difficultly frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.530 to 4.325, *Muschelbröck*; 4.143, *Hagen*; 4.2491 to 4.7563, *Briffon*; 4.181, *Rinmann*.

*Constituent Parts.*

	From Germany.	Piedmont.	Thaley in France.
Yellow oxide of manganese,	45.5	40.0	45.5
Oxygen,	36.5	42.0	38.0
Red oxide of iron,	0.0	3.0	2.0
Charcoal,	0	1.5	0
Carbonat of lime,	8.5	0	1.5
Baryte,	3.0	0	7.5
Silica,	7.0	5.0	5.5
Loss,	0.5	4.5	
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The above analyses were made by *Cordier* and *Beunier*. *Klaproth* analyzed an ore of this kind from Ilfeld in the Hartz, which he found to be composed of

92.75 oxide of manganese.

7.00 water.

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99.75

Another specimen contained

99.25 oxide of manganese.

0.25 water.

—  
99.75

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall, Devonshire, Somersethire and Derbyshire in England; near Aberdeen in Scotland; Ilfeld in the Hartz; Langeberg near Annaberg, Johanngeorgenstadt, Kamdorf, Saalfeld in Thuringia, in Saxony; Konradswaldau, Kupferberg, &c. in Silesia; Mies in Bohemia; St Gothard in Switzerland; Piedmont and Ischio near Vicenza in Italy; and Koliwan in Siberia.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Foliated Grey Manganese-Ore.

Blättriges grau Braunsteinerz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 218.—*Id. Emm.* 2. b. f. 525.—*Le Manganese gris lamelleux, Broch.* t. 2. p. 417.—*Blättriches Graubraunsteinerz, Reufs,* 4. b. f. 453.

*External*



*External Characters.*

It has the same colour as the preceding subspecies.

Occurs almost always massive and disseminated, or crystallized in longish rhombs.

Internally it alternates from shining to glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture foliated and delicately streaked.

Fragments indeterminately angular and blunt-edged.

Occurs in coarse and small, sometimes also in fine granular distinct concretions.

Yields a black dull streak.

Soils.

Is soft.

Brittle.

More easily frangible than the preceding subspecies.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.742, *Hagen*.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Devonshire in England; Ilfeld in the Hartz; many places in the electorate of Saxony; Bohemia; Salzburg; and Transilvania.

THIRD



## THIRD SUBSPECIES.

## Compact Grey Manganese-Ore.

Dichtes Grau Braunsteinerz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 219. — Indurated grey Ore of Manganese, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 249.—Le Manganese gris compacte, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 418.—Dichtes Graubraunsteinerz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 454.

*External Characters.*

Colour same as that of the preceding subspecies.

Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally it is glistening, passing into glimmering, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture even, sometimes inclining to flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular; not very sharp-edged.

Usually unseparated; sometimes however shews thick curved lamellar distinct concretions.

In the remaining characters it resembles the preceding subspecies.

*Constituent Parts.*

The four following analyses, made by *Cordier*, *Beunier*, *Vauquelin* and *Dolomieu*, are said by *Brochant* to be of this subspecies.



	Of St Micaud.	Of Peri- gueux.	Of Ro- maneche.	Of La- veline.
Yellow oxide of manganese,	35	50	50	65
Oxygen,	33	17	33.7	17
Red oxide of iron,	18	13.5	0	0
Charcoal,	0	0	0.4	0
Lime with magnesia,	} 7	6	0	0
Iron and manganese,				
Carbonat of lime,	0	0	0	7
Baryte,	4	5	14.7	9
Silica,	3	7	1.2	6
Loss,	0	1.5	0	6
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## FOURTH SUBSPECIES.

## Earthy Grey Manganese-Ore.

Erdiches grau Braunsteinerz.—*Werner*.

Ochre of Manganese, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 293. — Erdiches Graubraunsteinerz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 529.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark steel-grey, which inclines a little to bluish.

Occurs massive.

Is composed of delicate scaly particles, which are strongly glimmering with a metallic lustre.

Soils strongly.

Occurs more or less cohering, so that it sometimes passes into coherent.

Feels



Feels fine but meagre.

Hard in a low degree.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall and Somersethire in England; Ilmenau, Rotha, Ehrenstock, &c. in Saxony; Orpes, Oberhals, &c. in Bohemia; Lower Bavaria; Periguex, &c. in France; and Nertschinsk in Siberia.

*Chemical Characters of the Species.*

Is infusible, without addition, before the blow-pipe. It is converted into a blackish-brown coloured oxide. When melted with borax, it communicates to it a violet-blue colour.

*Geognostic Situation of the Species.*

*Werner* has ascertained two formations of this ore; the one occurs in veins in porphyry, and is accompanied with heavy-spar; the other in veins of red ironstone, and brown ironstone. The radiated subspecies occurs principally in the first formation, whilst the earthy and foliated occur in the second. The first formation occurs near Aberdeen? also at Ilmenau in Saxony. The second formation occurs at Johanngeorgenstadt and Eibenstock.

*Uses of the Species.*

It is used in glass-manufactories to purify the  
glass



glafs of all the substances that colour it. When mixed with muriatic acid, it affords oxygenated muriatic acid, so useful in bleaching. It is also used for obtaining oxygen gas.

## SECOND SPECIES.

### Black Manganefe-Ore.

Schwarz Braunsteinerz.—*Werner.*

*Id. Wern. Pabst. 1. b. f. 220.—Id. Emm. 2. b. f. 532.—Le Manganefe noir, Broch. t. 2. p. 424.—Schwarzbraunsteinerz, Reufs, 4. b. f. 459.*

### *External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between brownish-black and dark greyish-black.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and in octahedral crystals, which are aggregated in rows, and are small and very small.

The surface of the crystals is smooth and shining.

Fracture imperfect foliated, single cleavage; sometimes it inclines to uneven, and is also small and scopiform diverging radiated.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Occurs in small and fine granular distinct concretions.

Is opaque.

Gives a reddish-brown streak.



Is femihard.

Brittle.

Heavy.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is a rare mineral, and occurs usually along with grey antimony-ore. It is found at Ehrenstock near Ilmenau, on grey antimony-ore. It has been also observed at Rabenstein in Bavaria; at Fuhrbach near Wagrain in Salzburg; and at Miedzian or Gora in West Gallicia.

*Observations.*

1. It is often confounded with Grey Antimony-Ore and Black Hematite.

2. Dr *Reufs* describes, as a subspecies of Black Manganese-Ore, the *Black Wad*. The following description is from his System of Mineralogy:

“ *Friable Black Manganese Ore, or Wad.*

Colour sometimes dark steel-grey, and sometimes blackish-brown.

Occurs massive, and disseminated, sometimes as a coating.

Internally dull, sometimes feebly glimmering.

Fracture fine earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Soils strongly.

Is very soft, often completely friable; in which latter case it is composed of dusty or delicate scaly particles, which are more or less cohering.

Feels



- Feels meagre, and
- Is light, bordering on not particularly heavy.
- Specific gravity, 2.000–3.000, *Dolomieu.*”

*Chemical Characters.*

When dry and mixed with one-fourth of its weight of linseed oil, and gently heated, it inflames. At 95° of *Wedgwood* it melts to a slag, and at 144° into a perfect glass. Dissolves in borax, to which it communicates a violet-blue colour.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to *Wedgwood* it affords

Oxide of manganese,	43	
———— iron,	43	
Lead,	4.5	}
Mica,	5	
		Accidental.

From the *Hartz.*

Brown oxide of manganese,	68
———— iron,	6.5
Carbon,	1
Baryte,	1
Silica,	8
Water,	17.5
	————

*Klaproth.*

*Geographic Situation.*

Devonshire, Derbyshire, &c. in England; Lead-hills in Scotland; *Johanngeorgenstadt*, &c. in Saxony; Bohemia; *Hartz*; Bavaria; France.

THIRD



## THIRD SPECIES.

Red Manganeſe-Ore.

Rother Braunſtein.—*Werner.*

Colour light roſe-red ; by weathering becomes light yellowiſh-brown.

Occurs maſſive and diffeminated.

Internally dull.

Fracture even, which paſſes ſometimes into flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty ſharp-edged.

Is tranſlucent in a ſlight degree.

Hard.

Brittle.

Eaſily frangible.

Heavy, inclining to not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.233, from Kapnick, *Kirwan.*

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it becomes greyiſh-black, but is infuſible without addition. It tinges borax violet-blue, and ſometimes nearly hyacinth-red. In a ſtream of oxygen gas, it melts very eaſily into a dark-brown, glaſſy, tranſlucent bead, which is attractable by the magnet.

*Conſtituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of manganese,	48
Carbonic acid,	49.2
Oxide of iron,	2.1
Silica,	9
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*Lampadius.**Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in veins, and is accompanied with black silver-ore, blende, brown-spar, calc-spar, and quartz.

It is found at Kapnic in Transilvania; Alafjord near Christianfand in Norway; and it is said to occur at present at Markirch in Alface, and at Sem in the dutchy of Foix in France.

*Observations.*

1. Several other ores of manganese, besides those described in the preceding pages, are mentioned in works on mineralogy, but none of them are admitted by *Werner*.

2. *La Perouse* found a substance in the mines of Sem, which he considers to be Native Manganese; but more accurate and complete information is required before it can be admitted as a species into the System.



## FIFTEENTH GENUS.

## MOLYBDENA GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Molybdena.

Wasserblei.—*Werner.*

Ferrum Molybdæna pura membranacea nitens, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 249.—Wasserblei, *Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 221.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 962.—Molybdena, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 322.—Sulphure de Molybdene, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 119.—Wasserbley, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 541.—Molybdene sulphurée, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 397.—*Id.* *Hauy,* t. 4. p. 289.—Le Molybdene sulphurè, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 432.—Wasserblei, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 478.

*External Characters.*

Colour fresh burning lead-grey.

Occurs usually massive and disseminated, and sometimes crystallized in the following figures:

1. Six-sided table, sometimes equilateral.
2. Very short six-sided prism flatly acuminate on both extremities by six planes, which are set on the lateral planes.

The crystals are sometimes small, and sometimes middle-sized, and always imbedded, or in druses.

Internally it is splendid, sometimes passing into shining, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture perfect foliated, single cleavage, almost always curved, and sometimes floriform foliated.

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Fragments



Fragments in the small flaty, but in the great indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Occurs in large and coarse granular distinct concretions, which approach to small granular.

It writes.

Retains its lustre in the streak.

Soils a little.

Is very soft.

Easily frangible.

Splits easily.

In thin leaves is common flexible.

Sectionile, approaching to malleable.

Feels greasy.

Is heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.7385, *Briffon*; 4.048, *Kirwan*; 4.569, *Karsten*; 4.667, *Schumacher*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

When exposed to a gentle heat it loses nothing of its weight or lustre. When exposed to a violent heat it begins to smoke, at last flows, and shews a blue flame on its surface. If the heat is still continued, it begins to shoot into needles, and is at last converted into a delicately crystallized yellow mass. When it is exposed to high temperature in confined vessels, it is not altered. It is infusible before the blow-pipe, but it yields a sulphureous odour. Nitrous acid changes it into a white oxide.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*According to *Lampadius* :

Molybdena,	76
Iron,	1
Sulphur,	23
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	100

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is one of the oldest of the metals. Occurs only in primitive mountains, and is either disseminated or in veins. In Norway, Sweden and Bohemia, it is found disseminated in granite. In Bohemia and Saxony in veins of the oldest formations, and usually accompanied with tinstone. It is sometimes also accompanied with wolfram, quartz and mica; seldom with native arsenic, heavy-spar, fluor-spar, and topaz. In the small snow-pit, situated high in the Reifengebirge, it is found disseminated in granite. In the county of Glatz in gneiss and mica-slate. In chlorite slate with common actynolite, in Glenelg in Invernesshire.

*Geographic Situation.*

Besides the localities already mentioned, the following are deserving of notice: Hitterdahl, Risithyen, Arendal, Friedrichswärn in Norway; Norberg in Westmannland, Gerfdriem in Calmar-lehn,



lehn, and Bastnäs in Sweden; Altenberg, Geier, Ehrenfriedersdorf, Schneeberg, and Zinnwald in Saxony; Schlackenwald and Zinnwald in Bohemia; Mont Blanc in Savoy; France; Adontschelon in Nertschinsk in Siberia; Greenland.

*Observation.*

It has been frequently confounded with Graphite, from which it is sufficiently distinguished by colour and fracture.



## SIXTEENTH GENUS.

## ARSENIC GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Native Arsenic.

Gediegen Arsenik.—*Werner.*

Arfenicum nativum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 161.—Gediegen Arsenik, *Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 207.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 965.—Native Arsenic, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 255.—Arsenic testacé, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 194.—Gediegen Arsenik, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 548.—Arsenic natif, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 353.—*Id.* *Haüy,* t. 4. f. 220.—*Id.* *Broch.* t. 2. p. 435.—Gediegen Arsenik, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 494.

*External Characters.*

On the fresh fracture it is light whitish lead-grey, which approaches very near to tin-white; it however tarnishes very quickly, first yellowish and brownish, and then greyish-black, and by this loses part of its lustre.

Besides massive and disseminated, it occurs also reniform, in plates, with pyramidal, cubical, and conical impressions, also reticulated.

Externally it is either rough or granulated, and very feebly glimmering.

Internally, on the fresh fracture, it is usually glistening,



glistening, sometimes passing into glimmering, sometimes into shining, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture small and fine grained uneven, sometimes imperfect, and curved foliated with a single cleavage; and sometimes, although rarely, narrow, straight, and scopiform diverging radiated.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Occurs in thin, curved lamellar distinct concretions, and seldom in small and fine granular concretions.

In the streak it becomes shining and metallic.

Semihard in a high degree.

Uncommonly easily frangible.

Secile to malleable.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.7249–5.7633, *Briffon*; 5.670 *Kirwan*.

When struck or rubbed, it emits an arsenical smell.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it gives a white smoke, diffuses an arsenical odour, burns with a blue flame, is gradually volatilized, and leaves a white coating on the coal.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

It usually contains a small portion of iron, and when it occurs with gold or silver-ores, a little gold or silver.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs only in primitive mountains, and in veins of a newer formation, accompanied with silver-ores. It is usually accompanied with light red silver-ore, orpiment, and lead-glance; sometimes with native-silver, cobalt-glance, copper-nickel, sparry ironstone, iron-pyrites, fahl-ore, copper-pyrites, heavy-spar, calc-spar, brown-spar, fluor-spar, and quartz.

*Geographic Situation.*

Andreasberg in the Hartz; Freyberg, Anna-berg, Schneeberg, Marienberg, Johannegeorgenstadt in Saxony; Reichenstein in Silesia; Joachimstal, Gottesgab in Bohemia; Wittichen in Furstenberg, Alpirsbach in Wurtemberg in Swabia; Markirch in Alface; Chili.

## SECOND SPECIES.

## Arsenic Pyrites.

Arsenikkies.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into two subspecies:  
1. Common Arsenic Pyrites. 2. Argentiferous Arsenic Pyrites.

FIRST



## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Common Arsenic Pyrites.

Gemeiner Arsenikkies.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wern. Pabst. 1. b. f. 212.—Id. Wid. f. 968.—*Arsenical Pyrites or Marcasite, *Kirw. vol. ii. p. 256.—*Gemeiner Arsenikkies, *Emm. 2. b. f. 553.—*La Pyrite arsenicale commune, — *Broch. t. 2. p. 438. —*Fer arsenical, *Hauy, t. 4. p. 57. —*Gemeiner Arsenikkies, *Reufs, 4. b. f. 505.*

*External Characters.*

On the fresh fracture it is silver-white, but by exposure it acquires a yellowish tarnish; sometimes it has a pavonine, columbine or iridescent tarnish, in its natural repository.

Occurs massive, disseminated, often also crystallized in the following figures:

1. Oblique four-sided prism, with straight or cylindrical convex or cylindrical concave lateral planes, either perfect, or (what is the most frequent) bevelled either acutely or flatly on both extremities, and the bevelling planes are set on the acuter lateral edges. When these prisms become so low, that the bevelments nearly or actually meet, there is formed

2. A very acute or flat double four-sided pyramid;



ramid ; when it becomes lower and thicker, it acquires the appearance of a

3. Cube.
4. When the prisms become very long in comparison of their breadth, there is formed acicular crystals.

The crystals are middle-sized, small, and sometimes very small ; they have smooth lateral planes, but the bevelling planes are usually transversely streaked, and are externally splendid.

Internally it is shining, seldom glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture coarse and small grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty blunt-edged.

Occurs usually unseparated ; sometimes also in thick or thin and straight columnar distinct concretions, which are sometimes diverging, and sometimes promiscuous. The surface of the concretions is smooth and shining. The concretions sometimes terminate in crystals.

It is hard.

Brittle.

Rather difficultly frangible.

Heavy.

When rubbed it emits an arsenical smell.

Specific gravity, 5.753, *Gellert*; 6.5223, *Briffon*; 5.600 *Lametherie* ; 4.791, *Stütz*.



*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it emits an arsenical smell, and leaves a reddish-brown oxide of iron behind.

*Constituent Parts.*

Arsenic,	42.1
Iron,	57.9
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	100

*Vauquelin* analyzed arsenic pyrites, and found it to contain a considerable portion of sulphur; but it is evident, from the observations of *Haüy*, that the specimens he used contained intermixed iron-pyrites.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs only in primitive mountains, and belongs to the older formations. It occurs in beds, as at Kupferhügel in Silesia; sometimes also in veins, in gneiss, mica-slate, clay-slate, chlorite-slate, but never in granite. It occurs sometimes, although rarely, in the oldest serpentine formation, when it is auriferous.

It is usually accompanied with tin-stone, lead-glance, black-blende, sparry-ironstone, copper-pyrites, iron-pyrites, magnetic pyrites, and also quartz, brown-spar, fluor-spar, calc-spar, common hornblende, and garnet. At Gottesgab, in Bohemia, it occurs in beds in clay-slate, accompanied with tin-stone,



stone, copper-pyrites, magnetic pyrites, magnetic ironstone, native silver, quartz, prase, garnet, and actynolite; at Leipe, in Silesia, in mica-slate, with iron-pyrites, quartz, and calc-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall; Kongsberg in Norway; Lofos and Sahlberg in Sweden; Altenberg, Freyberg, Ehrenfriedersdorf, and Geyer in Saxony; Reichenstein, &c. in Silesia; Bohemia; Upper Palatinate; Salzburg; Stiria; Hungary; the Bannat; Siberia.

*Use.*

It is from this ore that the White Oxide of Arsenic is principally obtained, and artificial Orpiment is prepared from it.

SECOND SUBSPECIES.

Argentiferous Arsenic Pyrites.

Weiserz.—*Werner.*

*Id. Werner*, Pabst. 1. b. f. 216.—*Id. Wid.* f. 970.—Argentiferous Arsenical Pyrites, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 257.—Weiserz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 557.—La Pyrite arsenicale argentifere, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 442.—Fer arsenical argentifere, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 63.—Weiserz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 503.

*External Characters.*

Colour silver-white, but always tarnished yellowish on the surface.

Occurs



Occurs seldom massive, almost always disseminated, in small parties, and in very small acicular oblique four-sided prisms.

Externally it is shining; internally it is glistening, sometimes glimmering, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture fine-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Sometimes a tendency to fine granular distinct concretion is to be observed.

In the remaining characters, it agrees with the preceding subspecies.

*Constituent Parts.*

Besides arsenic and iron, it contains from 0.1 to 0.10 parts of silver.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Its geognostic situation is the same as that of common arsenic pyrites, with which it is usually accompanied. It is also accompanied with dark red silver-ore, lead-glance, and copper-pyrites; sometimes with white silver-ore, brown-blende, and commonly with quartz and brown-spar.

It is a rare fossil, and has been hitherto found only at Braunsdorf and Freyberg in Saxony; Rathhausberg in Gastein in Salzburg; and in Chili.

*Use.*



*Use.*

It is used as an ore of silver.

*Observations.*

1. It is distinguished from the first subspecies by its inferior lustre, smallness of its crystals, fineness of the grain in its fracture, and its granular distinct concretions.

2. The name of the species is derived from its resemblance to pyrites, and from its constituent parts.

## THIRD SPECIES.

## Orpiment.

Rauschgelb.—*Werner.*

This species contains two subspecies. 1. Red Orpiment. 2. Yellow Orpiment.

## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Red Orpiment.

Rothes Rauschgelb.—*Werner.*

Arsenicum risigallum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 163.—Realgar et Soufre rouge des Volcans, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 33.—Rothes Rauschgelb, *Werner*, *Pabst.* 1. b. f. 210.—*Id.* *Wid.* f. 975.—Realgar, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 261.—Realgar, Sandarac, Rubine d'Arfenic,



d'Arfenic, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 199.—Roth's Raufchgelb, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 562.—Arsenic fulphuré, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 358.—Arsenic fulphuré rouge, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 226.—Le Realgar rouge, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 447.—Roth's Raufchgelb, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 516.

*External Characters.*

Colour aurora or morning red, of different degrees of intensity.

Occurs massive, disseminated, in membranes; and crystallized, in

1. Oblique four-sided prisms, in which the terminal planes are usually rather obliquely set on the lateral planes: sometimes the lateral edges are bevelled; sometimes the obtuse edges are truncated, and then it passes into

2. A very oblique six-sided prism\*.

The crystals are seldom middle-sized, usually small, very small and minute.

It is always longitudinally streaked and shining, passing into splendent.

*Internally*

\* *Hauy* enumerates the following crystallizations:

1. Oblique broad four-sided prism, acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes.
2. Same figure, only truncated on the acuter lateral edges.
3. Same figure, truncated on all its lateral edges.
4. Same figure, truncated on the obtuser lateral edges, and bevelled on the acuter lateral edges.
5. Figure 4. in which the bevelling edges are truncated.
6. Oblique four-sided prism, acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes, and truncated on all the angles, on the extremities of the acuminations, and on the edges which the acuminating planes make with the lateral planes.



Internally it is shining, and its lustre is intermediate between adamantine and pearly.

Fracture coarse and small-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, and blunt-edged.

It is translucent, but the crystals are semitransparent.

It yields a lemon or orange yellow coloured streak.

It is very soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Not very heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.223, *Muschenbröck*; 3.225, *Bergman*; 3.3384, *Briffon*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it gives a blue flame, a white arsenical smoke, and it volatilizes in the form of a white oxide. It usually leaves an earthy residue.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Arfenic,	80		84
Sulphur,	20		16
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<i>Westrumb.</i>	100	<i>Kirwan.</i>	100

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs both in primitive and floetz mountains, but more frequently in the former.

It



It is usually accompanied with native arsenic, light red silver-ore, lead-glance; sometimes also with cobalt-glance, iron-pyrites, grey copper-ore, brown-blende, grey and red antimony-ore, quartz, heavy-spar, and seldom mineral pitch.

At Nagyag it occurs in veins that traverse sandstone and clay-slate; and on St. Gothard in dolomite.

*Geographic Situation.*

Andreasberg in the Hartz; Ehrenfriedersdorf, Schneeberg, and Johanngeorgenstadt in Saxony; Joachimsthal in Bohemia; Schwarzwald in Swabia; the Tyrol; Hungary; the Bannat; Transylvania; Lothringen and Markirch in France; Sicily, Vesuvius, and Solfatara in Italy; Guadaloupe.

*Use.*

It is used as a pigment. The Chinese fashion vessels of different shapes, and their pagodas, of this mineral.

*Observations.*

This fossil has been confounded with Red Silver-ore and Red Lead-ore. It is distinguished from the former by its less specific gravity and its orange-coloured streak; from the latter, by its less specific gravity.

SECOND



## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Yellow Orpiment.

Gelbes Raufchgelb.—*Werner*.

Arsenicum auripigmentum, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 163. — Orpiment, Orpin, *Rom. de L.* t. 3. p. 39. — Gelbes Raufchgelb, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 210.—*Id. Wid.* f. 972.—Orpiment, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 260. — Oxide d'Arsenic sulphuré jaune, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 202.—Gelbes Raufchgelb, *Emm.* b. 2. f. 559. — Arsenic sulphuré jaune, *Hauy,* t. 4. p. 234. — Le Realgar jaune, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 444.—Gelbes Raufchgelb, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 512.

*External Characters.*

Colour perfect lemon-yellow.

Occurs massive, and in very minute crystals.

On the fresh fracture it is splendid, and its lustre is intermediate between adamantine and semimetallic.

Fracture curved foliated, with a single cleavage.

Fragments indeterminately angular, and blunt-edged in the great, but flaty in the small.

Occurs usually in large, coarse and small longish angular granular distinct concretions.

Is translucent; in small leaves transparent.

Colour not altered in the streak.

Is very soft.

Sectile.

Perfect and common flexible.

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Splits



Splits easily.

Heavy in a low degree, passing into not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.313, *Muschenbröck*; 3.315, *Bergman*; 3.048 to 3.435, *Kirwan*.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs principally in floetz mountains, and appears to be of a newer formation than the red orpiment.

It is found at Moldawa and Saska in the Banat; Ohlapian, Nagyag and Felsőbanya in Transylvania; Tajoba near Neusohl in Hungary; Wallachia; Servia; Natolia; China.

*Observations.*

1. It was formerly the general opinion of chemists, that Yellow Orpiment differed from Red, in containing a greater proportion of sulphur: *Haüy* is of opinion, that Red Orpiment is converted into Yellow by an increase in its proportion of oxygen, and that the yellow passes into red when it is deprived of a portion of its oxygen.

2. It is distinguished from Natural Sulphur by its foliated fracture.

FOURTH



## FOURTH SPECIES.

## Arsenic-Bloom.

Arsenickblüthe.—*Werner*.

Pharmacolite, *Karsten*, Tabellen. *Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 523. —  
 Chaux arseniateeé, *Hauy*, t. 2. p. 293.

*External Characters.*

Colour reddish-white and snow-white; seldom yellowish-white.

Occurs as a coating, in small balls, small reniform, botryoidal, with a drusy surface; frequently in very delicate capillary shining crystals, which are scopiformly aggregated.

Internally it is glimmering, and its lustre is silky.

Fracture very delicate, straight, scopiform and stellular diverging radiated, and sometimes passes into fibrous.

Fragments indeterminate angular, also wedge-shaped.

Occurs in coarse and small granular distinct concretions.

Translucent on the edges.

Very soft, passing into friable.

Easily frangible.

Soils.

Light, bordering on not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.536, *Selb*; 2.640, *Klaproth*.

*Constituent*



## SCHEELE GENUS.

*Constituent Parts.*

Lime,	23
Arsenic acid,	46.5
Oxide of cobalt,	0.5
Silica and alumina,	6
Water,	22.5
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*Klaproth.**Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in rents of a granitic rock, accompanied with cobalt-crust and cobalt-bloom. There appears to be an uninterrupted transition from this species into Cobalt-crust.

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in the mine Sophia, at Wittichen in Suabia.

## SEVENTEENTH GENUS.

SCHEELE GENUS\*.

## FIRST SPECIES.

Tungsten.

Schwerstein.—*Werner*

Minera Ferri lapidea gravissima, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 254 — *Wolfram*  
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\* *Werner* gave the name *Scheele* to this genus, in honour of the illustrious Swedish chemist *Scheele*, who discovered the peculiar metal which characterises it.



de couleur blanche, *Rom. d. L.* t. 3. p. 264.—Schwerstein, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 222.—Weisser Tungsten, *Wid.* f. 980.—Tungsten, *Kirzw.* vol. ii. p. 314.—Tungstate calcaire, Mine d'Etain blanche, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 230.—Schwerstein, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 570.—Tungstene, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 402.—Scheelen calcaire, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 320.—La Pierre pesante, ou le Tungstene, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 453.—Scheelerz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 534.

### External Characters.

Its colour is usually yellowish and greyish-white, which sometimes verges on snow-white; from these it passes into yellowish-grey, and light yellowish-brown, which approaches to orange-yellow.

The white varieties are sometimes tarnished on the surface, either dark pearl-grey or plumb-blue.

Occurs massive, disseminated, and very frequently crystallized in rather acute double four-sided pyramids, which are either perfect, or the common base is bevelled; sometimes they terminate in a line.

The crystals are middle-sized, small, and very small, and are sometimes heaped on one another.

The lateral planes of the crystals are smooth, the bevelling planes are slightly streaked transversely; they are shining and splendid, and their lustre inclines to adamantine.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is vitreous.

Fracture imperfect foliated, probably with a fourfold cleavage.

Fragments



Fragments indeterminately angular, rather blunt-edged.

Sometimes it occurs in large, coarse, and small granular distinct concretions, with streaked and shining surfaces.

It is more or less translucent, seldom semitransparent.

Soft, passing into semihard.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.355, *Leyffer*; 5.800 to 6.028, *Kirwan*; 6.0665, *Briffon*; 6.000, *Gellert*; 6.015 and 5.570, *Klaproth*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Is infusible without addition before the blow-pipe. It melts with borax, but scarcely changes its colour. When pulverized and digested with nitrous or muriatic acid, it leaves a lemon-yellow residue, which is the oxide of tungsten.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Tungsten, from Bitsberg in Sweden, according to *Scheele*:

Yellow oxide of tungsten,	65
Lime,	31
Silica,	4
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Tungsten,



Tungsten, from Schlackenwald, according to *Elbuyar* :

Yellow oxide of tungsten,	68
Lime,	30
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Tungsten from Schlackenwald, according to *Klaproth* :

Yellow oxide of tungsten,	77.75
Lime,	17.60
Silica,	3
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Tungsten, from Pengilly in Cornwall, according to *Klaproth* :

Yellow oxide of tungsten,	75.25
Lime,	18.70
Oxide of iron,	1.25
———— manganese,	0.75
Silica,	1.50
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#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in primitive mountains, and belongs to the oldest metalliferous formations. It is usually accompanied with tinstone, wolfram, quartz, mica, steatite, fluor-spat, lithomarge, &c. The Cornish is accompanied with ochrey brown ironstone and brown hematite.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall ; Sweden ; Saxony ; and Bohemia.

#### *Observation.*



*Observation.*

It is distinguished from Tinstone by its octahedral crystals, the intensity and kind of its lustre, its hardness, and its greater specific gravity.

## SECOND SPECIES.

## Wolfram.

Wolfram.—*Werner.*

Magnesia cristallina,—Spuma Lupi, *Wall.* t. 2. p. 344.—Wolfram, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 223.—*Id. Wid.* 983.—*Id. Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 316.—*Id. De Born.* t. 2. p. 227.—*Id. Emm.* b. 2. f. 574.—*Id. Lam.* t. 1. p. 404.—*Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 456.—Sheelen ferruginé, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 314.—Wolfram, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 541.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between dark greyish-black and brownish-black, which sometimes inclines to velvet-black.

Occurs massive; and crystallized in the following figures:

1. Broad six-sided prism, with two very broad opposite, two smaller, and two very small lateral planes, which is pretty acutely acuminated by four planes, of which the two broader are set on the broader lateral planes, and the two smaller on the lateral edges formed by



by the meeting of the smaller lateral planes. The acumination ends in a line, which is sometimes bevelled, and the bevelling planes are set on the broader acuminating planes.

2. Rectangular four-sided table, having two opposite terminal planes bevelled, and its angles truncated.
3. Rectangular longish four-sided table, having the edges of its longest planes truncated.

The crystals are middle-sized and large, and occur sometimes imbedded, sometimes intersecting one another, but are seldom distinct.

The lateral planes are usually longitudinally streaked and glistening.

Principal fracture shining, cross-fracture glistening.

Fracture straight foliated, with a simple cleavage, and sometimes passes into broad, and scopiform diverging radiated.

Cross-fracture coarse and small-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, blunt-edged.

Occurs in thin fortifications-wise curved lamellar distinct concretions, whose surface is sometimes smooth, and sometimes streaked.

Is opaque.

Yields a reddish-brown coloured streak.

Is soft.

Brittle.

Uncommonly heavy.

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Specific



Specific gravity, 6.835, *Elbuyar*; 7.130, *Gel-  
lert*; 7.1195, *Briffon*; 5.705, *Gmelin*; 7.000,  
*Leonardi*; 7.3333, *Haüy*; 7.006, *Kirwan*; 6.955,  
*Hatchett*.

*Chemical Characters.*

It decrepitates before the blow-pipe, and is in-  
fusible even with borax.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to

	<i>Delbuyart.</i>	<i>Wiegleb.</i>	<i>Klaproth.</i>	<i>Vauquelin.</i>
Molybdcic acid,	65	35.75	46.9	67
Oxide of manganese,	22	32		6.25
Oxide of iron,	13.5	11	31.2	18
Silica,				1.50
Loss,		21.25	21.9	7.25
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	100.5	100	100	100

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in primitive mountains, and in the old-  
est formations. It is almost always accompanied  
with tin.

*Geographic Situation.*

Cornwall; Wärmeland in Sweden; Puy in  
France; Zinnwald, Ehrenfriedersdorf, Geyer and  
Altenberg in the electorate of Saxony; Zinn-  
wald, Schlackenwald and Graupen in Bohemia.

*Observation.*



*Observation.*

It is distinguished from Tinstone among other characters by its streak, which is reddish-brown; whereas that of Tinstone is grey.

## EIGHTEENTH GENUS.

## MENACHINE GENUS\*.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Menachanite.

Menacan.—*Werner.*

Menachanite, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 326. — Le Menakanite, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 468. — Titane oxidé ferrifere, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 306. — Manacan, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 54.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish-black, inclining to iron-black.

Occurs only in very small flattish angular grains, which have a rough glimmering surface.

Internally it is glistening and glimmering, and its lustre is adamantine, passing into semimetallic.

## Fracture

\* The peculiar metal which characterizes this genus, was first discovered by our countryman Mr GREGOR in the Menachanite of Cornwall. He bestowed on it the appellation *Menachine*, from the valley of Manachan, where he found the particular fossil which afforded it. Some time afterwards, the celebrated Klaproth noticed it in other fossils, and denominated it Titanium. Werner, however, with a due regard to the claim of Mr Gregor, and from a conviction that the name he had given to the genus was the most proper, rejected the mythological term Titanium, and adopted that proposed by the original discoverer.



Fracture imperfect foliated, approaching to flaty.  
Fragments indeterminately angular and sharp-edged.

Perfectly opaque.

Is soft.

Brittle.

Retains its colour in the streak.

Easily frangible.

Heavy in a moderate degree.

Specific gravity, 4.427, *Gregor*; 4.270, *Lampadius*.

*Physical Character.*

It is attractible by the magnet, but in a much weaker degree than iron-sand or magnetic ironstone.

*Chemical Characters.*

It is infusible, without addition, before the blow-pipe: it tinges borax of a greenish colour, which inclines to brown.

*Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of iron,	50.4
Oxide of menachine,	43.5
Silica,	3.3
Alumina,	1.4
Oxide of manganese,	0.9
<i>Lampadius.</i>	—

Magnetic oxide of iron,	51
Oxide of menachine,	45.25
Oxide of manganese,	0.25
Silica,	3.50
<i>Klaproth.</i>	—

From



From Botany Bay.

Oxide of iron,	49
Oxide of menachine,	40
Silica,	11
<i>Chenevix.</i>	—

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Is found, accompanied by fine quartz sand, in the bed of a rivulet which enters the valley of Manachan in Cornwall; on the shores of the island of Providence in America; and at Botany Bay in New South Wales.

*Observation.*

It has been confounded with Iron-Sand, from which it may be readily distinguished by the fracture, lustre, and inferior hardness.

SECOND SPECIES.

Octahedrite.

Octaedrit.—*Werner.*

Schorl bleu, *Rom. de L.* t. 2. p. 406.—Schorl octaedre rectangulaire, *Bournon*, Journ. de Phys. 1787, Mai.—Oifanite, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 269.—Octaedrite, *Sauffure*, Voyages dans les Alpes, t. 7. p. 139. § 1901.—Anatase, *Hauy*, t. 3. p. 129. 136.—*Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 548.—*Id. Reufs*, 4. b. f. 580.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Its colour passes from indigo-blue, through many shades, to dark reddish-brown and yellowish-brown.

It occurs only crystallized, and that in high and very acute octahedrons, which are either perfect or truncated on the extremities. Sometimes they are acuminate on the extremities by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes, and sometimes the extremities of this second acuminations are truncated: in some varieties the extremities of the octahedron are acuminate by eight planes, of which two and two are set on each lateral plane.

The crystals are small and very small, and are usually superimposed.

Their surface is transversely streaked, and is splendid, and its lustre is semimetallic.

Internally it is also splendid, and its lustre is most distinctly adamantine.

Fracture foliated.

Fragments indeterminately angular and sharp-edged.

It is strongly translucent and semitransparent, approaching very near to transparent.

Semihard (scratches glass).

Brittle.

Not particularly heavy, bordering on heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.8571, *Haüy*.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters.*

It is infusible before the blow-pipe. When melted with borax, a reddish-brown coloured glass is formed. When this glass is brought to the extremity of the flame, the reddish-brown colour changes into blue, and becomes opaque. If the action of the blow-pipe be still continued, it at length becomes white. In a higher temperature, the reddish-brown colour again appears; and according as the temperature is altered, the appearance and disappearance of the colours can be produced.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to the latest experiments of Vauquelin, it appears to be an oxide of menachine, mixed with filica.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs superimposed on quartz, and accompanied with felspar; hence it is probably an inmate of primitive mountains.

It is found in Dauphiny.

## THIRD SPECIES.

## Rutile.

Rutil.—*Werner.*

Rother Schorl, *Klapr.* 1. b. f. 233.—Schorl cristallizé opaque rouge, *De Born.* t. 1. p. 168.—Titanite, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 329.—Sagenite,



—Sagenite, ou Schorl rouge, *Sauffure*, t. 4. § 1894.—Oxide rouge de Titanium, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 414.—Crispité, *Id.* t. 2. p. 233.—Titane oxidé, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 296.—Le Ruthile, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 470.—Titanschorl, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 569.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is dark blood-red, of various degrees of intensity, which passes into light hyacinth-red and dark brownish red.

It occurs always crystallized, in

1. Slightly obtuse four-sided prisms, obtusely acuminate by four planes, which are set on the lateral planes.
2. Six-sided prisms, which sometimes shew a tendency to a six-planed acumination.
3. In compressed acicular and capillary crystals, whose regular shape is no longer determinable, owing to their minuteness.

Sometimes two crystals are joined by their terminal planes under a very obtuse angle, thus forming a kind of twin crystal; sometimes they are curved; have frequent transverse rents, and are sometimes broken entirely across, the ends removed to some distance from one another, and the interstice filled up with the substance of which the matrix consists.

The crystals are usually small and very small, seldom middle-sized; the capillary crystals are frequently scopiformly aggregated; the capillary crystals are often reticulated, and the interstices have the shape of equilateral triangles.

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The crystals are longitudinally streaked.

Externally it is shining and glistening.

Internally its principal fracture is splendent; cross-fracture shining and glistening, and its lustre is adamantine.

Principal fracture foliated, and the folia intersect each other at right angles, and are parallel with the lateral planes: cross-fracture imperfect and small conchoidal, which sometimes inclines to uneven.

Fragments cubical.

It is translucent in a slight degree.

Sometimes shews slender columnar distinct concretions.

Hard, inclining to semihard.

Brittle.

Yields a pale yellow or orange yellow coloured streak.

Is easily frangible.

Heavy in a low degree.

Specific gravity, 4.180, *Klaproth*; 4.246, *La Metherie*; 4.1025, *Hauy*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Without addition, or even with phosphoric salts, it is infusible before the blow-pipe; with borax or alkali, it affords a hyacinth-red transparent glass.



*Constituent Parts.*

According to the analysis of Klaproth, it is a pure oxide of menachine: Abildgaard found, besides oxide of menachine, .03 of filica.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is found imbedded, and in drusy cavities, in granite, mica-slate, and chlorite-slate.

In Hungary, it occurs imbedded in conchoidal quartz, and rock-crystal, which lies in nests in mica-slate; at St Gothard, in those drusy cavities that so often occur in old granite, resting on the rock-crystal, adularia, and foliated chlorite, with which they are lined: that found at Aschaffenburg is said to occur in granite: the Salzburgian occurs imbedded in common tremolite; the Siberian in a vein of felspar, three fathoms wide, which traverses granite, accompanied with topaz and common schorl.

Dr *Reufs* is of opinion, that he has observed it in the floetz-trap of Bohemia: Were this confirmed, we would have an example of a mineral, an inmate at once of the newest as well as of the oldest rock we are acquainted with; but the extreme minuteness of the crystals observed by Dr *Reufs* renders it next to impossible to subject them to a satisfactory examination.

*Geographic*



*Geographic Situation.*

Near Rosenau at Murany in Upper Hungary; the hill Ezugul in Transilvania; the hills Crispalt and Tuneda in St Gothard, and the Breven at Chamouni; in the high mountains of Salzburg; near St Yrieux in France; in the province of Burgos in Spain; in the forest of Spessart by Aschafenberg in Franconia; at the town of Sarapulka, twelve wersts from Murfinka in Siberia; on the summit of Sierra de Avila in New Granda in South America; and it is said also to have been found in South Carolina.

*Observation.*

In the Norwegian iron-ores, Menachine appears to occupy the place of manganese.

## FOURTH SPECIES.

## Nigrine.

Nigrin.—*Werner.**External Characters.*

Colour dark brownish-black, passing to velvet-black.

Occurs in larger and smaller angular grains, and rolled pieces.

Externally it is moderately glistening,

Internally



Internally the principal fracture is glistening; the cross-fracture moderately glistening; and its lustre is adamantine.

Principal fracture imperfect and straight foliated, with a single cleavage; cross-fracture flat and imperfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, and sharp-edged.

Opaque.

Semihard.

Brittle.

Yields a yellowish-brown streak.

Heavy in a moderate degree.

Specific gravity, 4.445, *Klaproth*; 4.605, *Esfmark*; 4.543, *Lampadius*; 4.673, *Lowitz*; 3.700, *Vauquelin* and *Hecht*.

#### *Physical Character.*

Is not attracted by the magnet.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It is infusible, without addition, before the blow-pipe: with borax, it melts to a transparent hyacinth-red globule: it yields its menachine readily to acid of sugar.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

	Transil- vania.	Uralian mountains.	Bava- ria.	Transil- vania.
Oxide of menachine,	84	53	49	87
Oxide of iron,	14	47	35	9
Oxide of manganese,	2	—	2	3
Oxygen combined with the iron and manganese,	—	—	14	—
	100	100	100	99
	<i>Klaproth.</i>	<i>Lowitz.</i>	<i>Vauquelin and Hecht.</i>	<i>Lampadius.</i>

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

At Ohlapian in Transilvania it is found in alluvial hills, consisting of yellow sand, intermixed with fragments of granite, gneifs, and mica-slate, and from which gold is extracted by working. It comes to us usually intermixed with grains of precious garnet, rutile, kyanite, and common sand. It is also found at Bodenmais in Bavaria; Hohenstein in Saxony; Uralian mountains in Siberia; and Island of Ceylon, where it occurs in alluvial land with iron-sand, hyacinth, zircon, &c.

*Observations.*

1. Its name is derived from its black colour.
2. It is easily distinguished from Menachanite by its stronger lustre, superior hardness, the colour of its streak, and by its not being in the least magnetic, which also distinguishes it from Iron-Sand.
3. As



3. As it is usually found with fragments of dark-coloured Rutile, they have been frequently confounded under the same name: but the red colour, perfect foliated fracture, twofold rectangular cleavage, and cubical fragments of Rutile, distinguish it at once from Nigrine.

4. It has some resemblance to Wolfram, but it is harder, lighter, and has a higher lustre, and darker colours.

### FIFTH SPECIES.

Iferine.

Iferin.—*Werner*.

L'Iferine, *Broch*, t. 2. p. 478.—Iferine, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 598.

#### *External Characters.*

Colour iron-black, inclining a little to brownish-black.

Occurs in small, seldom middle-sized, obtuse angular grains, and in rolled pieces, with a somewhat rough, strongly glimmering surface.

Internally it is glistening, and its lustre is semi-metallic.

Fracture is more or less perfect conchoidal.

Fragments are indeterminately angular and sharp-edged.

Completely opaque.

Is hard.

Brittle.



Brittle.

Retains its colour in the streak.

Is heavy in a moderate degree.

Specific gravity, 4.5.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it melts into a blackish-brown coloured glass, which is slightly attracted by the magnet. The mineral acids have no sensible effect on it: but the acid of sugar extracts a portion of the menachine.

*Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of menachine,	59.1
———— iron,	30.1
———— uran,	10.2
	————
	99.4

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It has been hitherto only found in the lofty Riesengebirge, near the origin of the stream called the Iser, disseminated in granite-sand. It is still uncertain whether it belongs to the granite or floetz-trap formation; from its affinity with iron-sand, and its occurring in the neighbourhood of the basalt hill, the Buchberg, it is suspected to be an inmate of the newest floetz-trap formation\*.

*Observations.*

\* The Buchberg is the highest basalt hill in Germany, being 2921 feet above the level of the sea, and the highest basalt  
except



*Observations.*

1. It bears a very great resemblance to Iron-Sand, into which it even passes. It is distinguished from iron-sand by the shade of brown in its colour, by its superior external, and inferior internal lustre, by its less specific gravity, and very strikingly by its being very slightly attractable by even a powerful magnet.

2. It is distinguished from Nigrine and Mena-chanite by fracture and lustre.

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except that small portion lodged in the cavity of the Schnee-grube, which is situated near 4000 feet above the level of the sea. The hill itself is elevated about 500 above the Iser, that waters its base, which consists of granite, and at some distance below which the Iserine is found. Whilst travelling through Silesia with Dr Mitchell, we ascended to the Buchberg, with the view of ascertaining more particularly the geognostic situation of the Iserine; but after a very careful examination, we could discover it neither in the granite nor basalt, but only loose in the granitic sand,



## NINETEENTH GENUS.

## URAN GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Pitch-Ore.

Pecherz.—*Werner*.

Pecherz, *Wern.* Pabst. 1. b. f. 170.—Pech-Blende, *Wid.* f. 987.  
 Sulphurated Uranite, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 305.—Pech-Blende,  
 ou Blende de Poix, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 159.—Schwarz Uran-  
 erz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 580.—Mine d'Uranit sulphuré, *Lam.* t. 1.  
 p. 408.—Urane oxydulé, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 280.—Le Pecherz, ou  
 L'Urane noir, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 460.—Pecherz, *Reufs*, 4. b.  
 f. 551.

*External Characters.*

Colour velvet-black, or dark greyish-black,  
 which inclines to iron-black.

Occurs almost always massive, and disseminated,  
 seldom small reniform.

Internally it is shining, inclining to glistening,  
 and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture imperfect and flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, and sharp-  
 edged.

Occurs sometimes in thick and curved lamellar,  
 sometimes in coarse and angulo-granular distinct  
 concretions, resembling red hematite.



In the streak, neither colour nor lustre is changed.

It is soft, approaching to very soft.

Brittle.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 6.3785, *Guyton*; 6.5304, *Haüy*; 7.500, *Klaproth*.

*Chemical Characters.*

Is completely infusible, without addition, before the blow-pipe. With soda or borax it forms a grey, muddy, flabby-like globule; with phosphoric salts a transparent green-bead. It dissolves imperfectly in sulphuric and muriatic acids; but is nearly dissolved in nitrous and nitro-muriatic acids; and from this solution, which has a pale orange-yellow colour, the uran is precipitated brownish-red by prussiat of potash, and yellow by the alkalies.

*Constituent Parts.*

From Joachimsthal.

Uran,	86.5
Black attractable oxide of iron,	2.5
Sulphurated lead,	6.0
Silica,	5.0
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<i>Klaproth,</i>	100

*Lampadius* analyzed pitch-ore from Johanngeorgenstadt, and found it to contain only uran and iron, but neither sulphurated lead nor silica. In another



another he found with sulphur a small portion of copper, but both were from interspersed copper-pyrites.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in veins in primitive mountains along with lead and silver ores.

It is usually accompanied with lead-glance, copper-pyrites, iron-ochre, calc-spar; seldomer with cobalt-glance, red cobalt-ochre, silver-glance, uran-mica and uran-ochre. At Gottesgab it occurs along with native silver, silver-glance, red silver-ore, corneous silver-ore, silver-black, and native arsenic.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Johannegeorgenstadt, Schneeberg and Wiesenthal in Saxony; Joachimsthal in Bohemia; and Kongsberg in Norway.

*Observations.*

It is distinguished from Brown-Blende by colour, specific gravity, fracture and streak; from Wolfram by its streak and fracture.

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## SECOND SPECIES.

## Uran-Mica.

Uran-Glimmer.—*Werner*.

Chalkolith, *Wern. Pabst.* 1. b. f. 290.—Grün Uranerz, *Wid.* f. 990.—Micaceous uranitic Ore, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 304.—Grün Uran-erz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 584.—Oxide d'Uranit avec Cuivre, *Lam.* t. 1. p. 410.—Urane oxidé, *Hauy,* t. 4. p. 283.—L'Urane micacé, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 463.—Uranglimmer, *Reufs,* 4. b. f. 556.

*External Characters.*

Its chief colour is grass-green, which passes on the one side into apple-green and emerald-green, and on the other into fishkin-green.

Occurs sometimes in membranes; commonly also crystallized, in

1. Rectangular four-sided tables, which are either perfect, or bevelled on the terminal planes.
2. When the perfect rectangular four-sided table becomes thicker, a cube is formed.
3. When the bevelling planes on the terminal planes increase very much, an octahedron having truncated apices is at length formed.

The crystals are small and very small, and superimposed, and form druses.

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The terminal planes are streaked, but the lateral planes are smooth.

Externally it is usually shining and sometimes splendent.

Internally it is shining, approaching to glistening, and its lustre is pearly.

Fracture foliated, with a single cleavage; and the folia are parallel with the lateral planes of the table.

The fragments and distinct concretions, on account of the smallness of the parts, cannot be determined. Probably the massive varieties occur in small and fine granular distinct concretions.

It is more or less translucent, passing into translucent on the edges.

Soft, and very soft.

Sectile.

Easily frangible.

Not particularly brittle.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.1212, *Champeaux*.

#### *Chemical Character.*

It dissolves in nitrous acid without effervescence, and communicates to it a lemon-yellow colour.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

It is an oxide of uran, which sometimes contains a slight admixture of copper.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs usually in ironstone veins, and is very frequently accompanied with ochrey and compact brown ironstone, compact red ironstone, pitch-ore, uran-ochre, quartz, hornstone, indurated clay, rarely with olivine-ore, and black and yellow cobalt-ochre.

*Geographic Situation.*

Carrarach in Cornwall; Johannegeorgenstadt, Eibenstock, and Schneeberg in Saxony; Saska in the Bannat; in the former Bishopric of Cologne; also in France.

*Observation.*

It is not, like Mica, to which it has much resemblance, elastic flexible.

## THIRD SPECIES.

## Uran-Ochre.

Uranocker.—*Werner.*

This species is divided into two subspecies:  
 1. Friable Uran-Ochre.    2. Indurated Uran-Ochre.

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## FIRST SUBSPECIES.

## Friable Uran-Ochre.

Zerreiblicher Uranocker.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is straw-yellow, which passes sometimes into sulphur-yellow and lemon-yellow; sometimes into yellowish-brown and orange-yellow, and sometimes borders on aurora-red.

It occurs usually as a coating or efflorescence on pitch-ore.

It is friable, and composed of dull, dusty, weakly foiling, and weakly-cohering particles.

Feels meagre, and is

Not particularly heavy.

*Geognostic Situation.*

Occurs always on pitch-ore.

## SECOND SUBSPECIES.

## Indurated Uran-Ore.

Feste Uranocker.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

It has the same colours as the preceding species.

Occurs



Occurs massive and disseminated.

Internally it is dull, but in some varieties it passes into glimmering and glistening.

Fracture small-grained uneven, which sometimes passes into earthy, sometimes into small conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Is opaque.

Soft and very soft, sometimes passing into semi-hard.

Is brittle.

Soils very little.

Specific gravity, 3.1500, *La Metherie*; 3.243<sup>8</sup>, *Haüy*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

According to *Klaproth*, the yellow varieties are pure oxide of uran, but the brownish and reddish contain also a little iron.

#### *Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs along with the other ores of uran.

It is found at Joachimsthal, and Gottesgab in Bohemia; Johanngeorgenstadt in Saxony; and also in France.

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## TWENTIETH GENUS.

## SYLVAN GENUS.

## FIRST SPECIES.

## Native Sylvan.

Gediegen Sylvan.—*Werner*.

Tellure natif aurifere et ferrifere, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 325.—Le Sylvane natif, *Broch*. t. 2. p. 480.—Gediegen Tellur, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 604.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between tin white and silver white, but more inclined to the first.

Occurs massive and disseminated; and, it is said, also in

1. Four and six sided prisms.
2. Very small three-sided pyramids.
3. In cubes; and,
4. In short acicular crystals.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture foliated: but the cleavage has not been ascertained.

Occurs in small and fine granular distinct concretions.

Is soft, approaching to semihard.

Not particularly brittle.

Easily frangible, and

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Heavy,



Heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.723, *Müller*; 4.107, *the younger Jacquin*; 5.730, *Kirwan*; 6.115, *Klaproth*.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it melts as easily as lead, emits a thick white smoke, and burns with a light-green colour, and a sharp disagreeable odour. When exposed to a low heat, it is converted into a yellow or blackish coloured oxide: by an increase of temperature, it melts into a dark-brown or blackish coloured glass, in which gold grains are interspersed: at a still higher heat, the oxide is entirely volatilized. In concentrated nitric acid, it is converted into a yellow oxide, and a small portion is dissolved, but which is precipitated in yellow flakes, on addition of water.

*Constituent Parts.*

Sylvan,	92.55
Iron,	7.20
Gold,	0.25
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*Geognostic Situation.*

According to *Esmark*, it occurs in veins that traverse grey-wacke and transition limestone, and it is accompanied with iron-pyrites, blende, lead-glance, quartz, and lithomarge.

*Geographic*



*Geographic Situation.*

It has been hitherto only found at Facebay in Transilvania.

*Observations.*

1. It bears a very striking resemblance to Antimony, from which, however, it is well distinguished by less specific gravity, and its smaller granular distinct concretions.

2. It is known in older works on Mineralogy under the names *Aurum problematicum*, *paradoxum*, and White Gold-ore.

3. I use the name *Sylvan*, which was first given to this genus by Mr Kirwan, because it is the name it first received, after it had been ascertained to be a new metal, and as it is more expressive than the term *Tellurium* proposed by Klaproth.

## SECOND SPECIES.

## Graphic Ore.

Schrifterz.—*Werner*.

Weiss Golderz, *Wid.* f. 673.—Schrifterz, *Esmark*, N. Bergm. Journ. t. 2. p. 10.—Or blanc d'Offenbanya, ou graphique, *Aurum graphicum*, *De Born.* t. 2. p. 470.—Schrifterz, *Emm.* b. 3.



b. 3. f. 405.—Tellure natif graphique, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 327.  
—Le Silvan graphique, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 482.—*Schrifterz,*  
*Reufs*, 4. b. f. 608.

*External Characters.*

Colour light steel-grey.

Occurs massive ; and crystallized,

In broad six-sided prisms, with two opposite broader and four opposite smaller lateral planes, of which two and two meet under an acute angle, and acutely acuminate on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the smaller lateral planes.

The crystals are small, and very small.

Sometimes the crystals are so reticulated that they have some resemblance to the lines in writing.

The planes of the crystals are smooth.

Externally it is splendent, and its lustre is metallic.

Internally it is glistening, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture fine-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged. When massive it shows a tendency to fine granular distinct concretions.

It is soft.

Brittle.

Sectile.

Heavy.



Heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.723, *Müller*.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it burns with a green flame, and is volatilized.

*Constituent Parts.*

Sylvan, 60

Gold, 30

Silver, 10

*Klaproth*, 100

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is said to occur in veins in clay-porphry, accompanied with iron-pyrites, grey or fahl copper ore, blende, and very seldom native gold.

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto only found at Offenbanya in Transilvania.

*Use.*

It is worked as an ore of gold.

*Observation.*

Its name is derived from the particular appearance formed by the aggregation of the capillary crystals.

THIRD



## THIRD SPECIES.

## Yellow Sylvan-Ore.

Weiß Silvananerz.—*Werner*.

Var. de Nagyagerz, *Wid.* f. 671.—Or gris jaunâtre, *De Born:* t. 2. p. 464.—Var. de Nagyagerz, *Emm.* 2. b. f. 121.—Mine jaune de Nagyag, *Journ. de Min.* No. 38. p. 150.—Gelberz, *Karst.* Tabell. f. 56.—Tellure natif aurifere et plombifere, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 327.—Le Silvane blanc, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 484.—Gelberz, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 612.

*External Characters.*

Colour silver white, which inclines pretty strongly to brass-yellow, and sometimes to grey.

Occurs disseminated (scarcely massive), and crystallized in very small, rather broad four-sided prisms.

The principal fracture is intermediate between splendent and shining; cross-fracture glistening, and lustre metallic. The principal fracture is foliated, the cross-fracture is small-grained uneven.

Soft.

Rather sectile.

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 10.678, *Müller*.

*Chemical Characters.*

In nitrous acid it dissolves, and during the solution



lution much nitrous gas is evolved: the solution is grass-green, and the precipitate formed by the addition of an alkaline carbonat, is pale-yellow.

*Constituent Parts.*

Sylvan,	44.75
Gold,	26.75
Lead,	19.5
Silver,	8.5
Sulphur,	0.5
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*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs along with the following subspecies; blende, grey copper or fahl ore, and copper-pyrites, with quartz, and brown-spar.

Has been hitherto found only at Nagyag in Transylvania.

*Use.*

As it contains a considerable portion of gold and silver, it is worked on account of both these metals.

*Observation.*

I give to this species the name *Yellow Sylvan-Ore*, as it is more correct and discriminative than *White Sylvan-Ore*.



## FOURTH SPECIES.

Nagyker-Ore, or Black Sylvan-Ore.

Nagyagererz.—*Werner*.

*Id. Wid. f. 671.* — Or gris lamelleux, *De Born. t. 2. p. 463.* — Blättererz, *Karst. Tabell. 56.* — Nagyagererz, *Emm. 2. b. f. 121.* — Mine d'Or de Nagyag, *Lam. t. 1. p. 110.* — Tellure natif aurifere et plombifere, *Hauy, t. 4. p. 327.* — La Mine de Nagyag, ou le Silvane lamelleux, *Broch. t. 2. p. 486.* — Blättererz, *Reufs, 4. b. f. 615.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between iron-black and blackish lead-grey.

Occurs massive, and in small thin and longish six-sided tables, which are usually imbedded.

Externally splendid and lustre metallic.

Internally shining.

Fracture foliated, with a single cleavage, and the folia are curved.

Fragments tabular.

Occurs in coarse and small granular distinct concretions.

Soils a little.

Is very soft.

Is sectile.

Splits easily.

In thin leaves it is common flexible.

Heavy,



Heavy, approaching to uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 8.919, *Müller*; 6.157, *the younger Jacquin*.

*Chemical Characters.*

It melts very easily before the blow-pipe; the sulphur and sylvan are soon volatilized, and a blackish-brown coloured globule remains, which being melted with borax, an argentiferous gold grain appears; the slag which remains, tinges borax violet-blue. It dissolves with effervescence in acids; the nitrico-muriatic acid extracts the gold from it.

*Constituent Parts.*

Sylvan,	18.8
Lead,	24.8
Gold,	4.15
Silver,	0.25
Copper,	0.6
Sulphur,	1.4
Oxide of manganese,	9.2
Quartz,	43.7
<i>Klaproth.</i>	—

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in veins which are composed of red manganese ore, brown-spar and quartz. It is usually accompanied with lead-glance, iron-pyrites, native arsenic, black blende, plumose antimony; seldom grey copper-ore, and red orpiment



It has been hitherto found only at Nagyag in Transilvania.

*Use.*

As it affords gold and silver, it is worked both as a gold and silver ore.

*Observation.*

I have denominated this species *Black Sylvan-Ore*, on account of its colour.

TWENTY-FIRST GENUS.

CHROME GENUS.

FIRST SPECIES.

Acicular or Needle Ore.

Nadelerz.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Colour dark steel-grey, becoming readily tarnished yellow on the surface, which is very characteristic for this mineral.

It occurs in imbedded acicular crystals.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture small-grained uneven, which sometimes approaches to conchoidal.



Is soft, approaching to semihard.

Not particularly brittle.

Heavy.

It is always accompanied with chrome-ochre,  
and sometimes also with native gold.

It is found in Siberia.

## SECOND SPECIES.

Chrome Ochre.

Chromocker.—*Werner.*

### *External Characters.*

Its colour is verdigris-green, which passes thro'  
pistachio-green into straw-yellow.

Occurs massive, disseminated and in membranes.

Is dull.

Fracture sometimes uneven, sometimes fine  
earthy.

Is soft, and very soft.

Not particularly heavy.

It occurs along with acicular ore.

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is soft, opacous to transparent. It is  
 Not particularly brittle.  
 Heavy.  
 It is always accompanied with chrome-oxide  
 and sometimes also with native gold.  
 It is found in Siberia.

Chrome Ocher

Chromochloride—Iron

It is a yellowish-brown powder.

It is soluble in water, which takes the  
 yellowish-green and blue-yellow  
 color, native, distinguished and in membranes.

It is soluble in water, sometimes the  
 color is very low.  
 The particles are heavy.

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 APPENDIX I.

FOSSILS LATELY DESCRIBED BY WERNER, AND ADMITTED INTO HIS SYSTEM.

IN this Appendix, I include all the *New Species* described by WERNER since the publication of the First Volume of this Work, and those also which have come to my knowledge since the present volume was put to the press.

For the greater number of these I am indebted to an intelligent mineralogist Mr H. MEUDER of Freyberg.

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 ZIRCON GENUS.

To this genus *Werner* has added one new species, which is denominated

Cinnamon Stone.

Kanelstein—*Werner*.

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish-brown, which approaches to hyacinth-red, and orange-yellow.

Occurs seldom in angular pieces, oftener in splintery fragments.

Internally



528 ZIRCON GEN.—CINNAMON STONE. [*App.*

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is intermediate between resinous and vitreous.

Fracture imperfect small conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty sharp-edged.

It alternates from transparent to translucent.

Is hard.

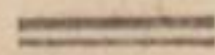
Not particularly heavy.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Columbo in the island of Ceylon.

*Observation.*

It is known in Holland under the name *Kanelstein*, which signifies Cinnamon Stone, probably from its resemblance in colour to that spice.



FLINT GENUS.

To this genus *Werner* has made many additions, of which I shall now give descriptions in the order of the System.

Coccolite.

Kokkolith.—*Werner*.

*Id.* Journ. de Phys. an 8. t. 2. p. 242.—*Karsten*, Min. Tabell. f. 20.—*Haüy*, t. 4. p. 355.—*Id.* *Reufs*, l. b. f. 86.—*Id.* *Broch.* t. 2. p. 504.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Colour mountain-green, grass-green, and olive-green.

Occurs massive.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is vitreous.

Fracture foliated, with a single cleavage.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Occurs in large, coarse, and small granular distinct concretions.

It is translucent.

Yields a grey or greyish-white streak.

Hard, scratches glass, and gives a few sparks with steel.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.316, *Dandrada*.

*Chemical Characters.*

It is infusible without addition. With carbonate of soda it melts into an olive-green vesicular flaggy-glass, and with borax into a pale-yellow semitransparent glass.

*Constituent Parts.*

Silica,	42
Alumina,	15
Calcareous earth,	13
Oxide of iron,	8
———— manganese,	14
Water,	3
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*Abilgaard.*



*Geographic Situation.*

In the Hellesta and Affebro iron-mines in Sudermannland, and Nerika in Sweden; Arendahl in Norway.

*Observations.*

1. Its name is derived from its distinct concretions.
2. It is placed by *Werner* in the Flint Genus immediately after Olivine and before Augite.

*Pistazite.**Pistazit.—Werner.*

Acanticone, Arandalite and Thallite of other mineralogists.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is dark and light pistachio-green, which passes into olive-green and blackish-green.

Occurs massive; and crystallized,

1. In six-sided prisms, in which the lateral edges are sometimes truncated and sometimes bevelled; and the terminal edges and angles truncated.
2. In very oblique four-sided prisms, which have a reed-like aspect; sometimes they are acuminate by four planes, and sometimes bevelled on the extremities, and the bevelling planes are set on the obtuse lateral edges.
3. In acicular crystals.

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The crystals are often very indistinct, and the six-sided prisms have many truncations and bevelments on the lateral edges, terminal edges and angles, and are therefore difficult to ascertain.

The crystals are deeply longitudinally streaked; sometimes promiscuous, sometimes scopiform and scalarwise aggregated.

Internally shining.

Fracture sometimes foliated, sometimes narrow, parallel, scopiform, and stellular diverging radiated.

Fragments sometimes indeterminately angular, sometimes wedge-shaped and splintery.

Occurs in coarse granular distinct concretions.

Is translucent, which, in the crystallized varieties, passes into transparent.

Is hard.

Easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in beds in primitive mountains, in Norway; Saxony; France; and Bavaria.

*Observation.*

This species will probably afterwards be arranged with Actynolite.

*Ceylanite.*

*Zeilanit.—Werner.*

Ceylanite, *La Metherie*, Journ. de Phys. 1793, p. 23.—Pleonaste, *Hayy*, t. 3. p. 17.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Its colour is dark indigo-blue, which passes into bluish-black, but, when more nearly examined, appears greenish-black.

Occurs sometimes in rolled pieces and angular pieces, and sometimes also crystallized as follows:

1. Octahedron, either perfect or with truncated angles.
2. Garnet dodecahedron, and several of the intermediate figures between it and the octahedron.

External surface rough, and nearly dull.

Internally it is shining, passing into splendid, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture perfect but flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, very sharp-edged.

Translucent on the edges.

Scratches quartz, but not so easily as spinelle.

Easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.7647-3.7931, *Haüy*.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in the island of Ceylon, in sand, along with tourmaline and other fossils.

*Observation.*

In the first volume, it is described as a variety of spinelle, from which, however, it differs in colour,



lour, in having always a conchoidal fracture, in lustre, hardness, and specific gravity.

## Euclase.

Euclas.—*Werner.*

*Id. Haüy, t. 2. p. 531.—Id. Lam. t. 2. p. 254.—Id. Broch. t. 2. p. 508.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is mountain-green.

Occurs only crystallized; and, according to Karslern, in unequiangular broad six-sided prisms, in which the acuter edges are truncated, the most obtuse bevelled, and acuminated by three planes; the angles above the bevelled edges are bevelled, and the terminal edges above the truncated lateral edges are truncated. Brochant gives the following description of this complicated crystal:

“ Oblique four-sided prism, but which is never perfect: each of its lateral edges are bevelled, and, besides, the edges of the bevelment on the acuter edges are truncated. The termination of the prism is very complicated: we may consider it as principally formed by three acuminations of four planes each, which are set on each other, and correspond to the lateral planes of the prism; but these planes are modified by a suite of bevelments, which are placed on their obtuse lateral edges: there is also a bevelment (with triangular planes) between these and the bevelment on the obtuse lateral edges of the prism; and, lastly, a truncation  
on



on each of the superior edges of the truncations on the acute lateral edges of the prism."

The crystals are longitudinally streaked.

Externally and internally it is splendid, and its lustre is vitreous.

The longitudinal fracture is foliated, with a twofold cleavage, of which the folia intersect each other obliquely; the cross-fracture is conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

It is duplicating transparent.

Is hard: it scratches quartz.

Very easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.0625, *Hauy*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, it first loses its transparency, and then melts into a white enamel.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Silica,	35	to	36
Alumina,	18	to	19
Glucina,	14	to	15
Iron,	2	to	3
Loss,	31	to	27
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<i>Vauquelin.</i>	100		100

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It was brought from Peru by Dombey.

#### *Observation.*

It is a beautiful fossil; but on account of its very



very easy frangibility, it cannot be used in jewelry.

Hyalite.

Hyälith.—*Werner.*

Hyalite, *Kirw.* vol. i. p. 296.—Müller Glas, or Lava Glas, of other Mineralogists.

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish and greyish white.

Occurs in thin crusts on other minerals, and in small reniform and small botryoidal external shapes, which are very much cracked.

Externally and internally it is shining, and its lustre is vitreous.

Fracture small and flat conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Translucent, passing into semitransparent.

Is intermediate between semihard and hard.

Is brittle.

Very easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy, passing into light.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs on wacke, and principally at Frankfort on the Mayn.

*Observation.*

It has much resemblance to Gum, and is very nearly allied to Opal.

Menilite.



Menilite.

Menilit.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is chestnut-brown, (falling into grey), which inclines slightly to liver-brown: externally it is marked with narrow stripes of reddish-brown and pearl-grey, which alternate with each other.

It occurs in tuberosely imbedded masses, whose surface is smooth and ribbed, and sometimes covered with a white crust.

Internally glistening.

Fracture sometimes perfect but flat conchoidal, sometimes pretty coarse splintery.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Occurs in flattened, large and small longish granular distinct concretions: the surface of the concretions is dull, and sometimes covered with a white crust.

Strongly translucent on the edges, passing into translucent.

Semihard, approaching to hard.

Easily frangible.

Brittle, and

Not particularly heavy, approaching to light.

*Constituent Parts.*

Silica,	85.50
Alumina,	1
Oxide of iron,	0.50
Calcareous earth,	0.50
Water and carbonaceous matter,	11

*Klaproth.* 98.50

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs imbedded in a particular species of rock, called *Adhesive Slate*, at Menil Montagne near Paris.

*Observation.*

It is well distinguished from its congenerous species by its external shape, colour, lustre, and weight.

## Egyptian Jasper.

Egyptischer Jaspis.—*Werner.*

Werner now divides this subspecies into two kinds. a. Brown. b. Red.

## FIRST KIND.

## Brown Egyptian Jasper.

Brauner Egyptischer Jaspis.—*Werner.**External Characters.*

Colour chestnut-brown, sometimes also yellowish-brown, cream-yellow and yellowish-grey. It is characteristic for this fossil, that the interior or centre has a yellowish grey colour, which often passes into cream-yellow, but towards the exterior its colour becomes yellowish-brown and chestnut-brown.

The brown colour forms concentric circular delineations, and between these it is spotted with black, and between the spots are small arboresecent delineations of the same colour.

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Occurs



Occurs in rolled pieces, which are mostly spherical, and their surface is intermediate between uneven and rough.

Externally it is glistening, approaching to glimmering; internally it is glistening.

Fracture pretty perfect conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Translucent on the edges.

Hard.

Pretty easily frangible.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, from 2.600 to 2.564.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It probably occurs in a brown ferruginous ochrey mass.

It is found at Grand Cairo in Egypt. A jasper, which may be considered as a variety of the Egyptian, is found in an iron-mine at Stetingen in Austria.

*Observation.*

It sometimes passes into flint.

SECOND KIND.

Red Egyptian Jasper.

Rother Egyptischer Jaspis.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between blood-red and scarlet-



scarlet-red; on the surface it is often ochre-yellow, also smoke and bluish grey. These colours form ring-shaped delineations, which are conformable with the external surface.

Occurs in similar external shapes as the brown kind.

Internally glistening or dull.

Fracture large conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

It is seldom translucent on the edges, usually opaque.

Hard.

In other characters it agrees with the preceding kind.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs in a bed of red clay ironstone, to which it also owes its colour. It has been hitherto found only in the electorate of Baden.

Lomonite.

Lomonit.—*Werner.*

Zeolithe efflorescente, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 410.

*External Characters.*

Colour snow-white, with a slight tendency to reddish-white.

Occurs massive.

The fracture is foliated, and the surface of the  
folia



folia are streaked, which gives a peculiar glimmering aspect to the surface of the fossil.

It is shining, and its lustre is pearly.

It consists of coarse and small longish granular distinct concretions.

Is translucent in a slight degree.

Is very soft.

Sectile.

Easily frangible; and

Not particularly heavy, approaching to light.

When preserved from the air, it has a slight degree of coherence; but if we expose it to the action of that fluid, the folia spontaneously separate from each other, and it is soon reduced to a heap of unconnected parts. *Hauy* compares it to the detritus of crystals of selenite, which have been heated and afterwards broke in pieces by the blow of a hard body.

*Chemical Character.*

It forms a jelly with acids.

*Geographic Situation.*

It was found, towards the end of the year 1785, by Mr Gillet Laumont, in the lead-mines of Huelgoët in Lower Brittany.

*Observation.*

Werner named it *Lomonite*, in honour of the discoverer.

Natrolite.



Natrolite.

Natrolit.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish-white, cream-yellow which inclines to ochre-yellow, and light yellowish-brown. These colours form striped delineations, which are curved in the direction of the external surface.

Occurs massive and reniform.

Its surface is drusy, owing to its being covered by very small, apparently rhomboidal crystals.

Internally glimmering.

Fracture delicate, straight and scopiform diverging fibrous.

Occurs in large, coarse and small granular distinct concretions. When the concretions have free extremities, those extremities are rounded conformable with the reniform external shape, and the fibres of each concretion issue from one point.

It is semihard in a high degree: it is harder than cubizite.

Is translucent on the edges.

Easily frangible; and

Not particularly heavy.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe, on charcoal, it fuses quickly into a transparent glass, full of small air-bubbles.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Silica,	48
Alumina,	24.25
Oxide of iron,	1.75
Soda,	16.50
Water,	9
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	99.50

*Geographic and Geognostic Situations.*

According to *Werner*, it is found in a variety of wacke; but *Klaproth* observed it most frequently in porphyry-slate. It has been hitherto found only in the mountains of Hohentwiel, Hohenkrähen and Magdeberg in Swabia, where it borders on Switzerland.

*Observations.*

It was first described and analyzed by *Klaproth*, who gave it the name *Natrolit*, on account of the great quantity of natron which he found it to contain.

## Azurite.

Lazulith.—*Werner*.*External Characters.*

Colour light indigo-blue, which is intermediate between smalt-blue and indigo-blue.

Occurs disseminated, seldom massive, and in imbedded crystals, that appear to be rectangular four-sided prisms.

The



The crystals are small and very small, and are very indistinct.

It is glistening and shining; the latter only on the foliated fracture.

Longitudinal fracture imperfect foliated, cross-fracture uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Is translucent on the edges.

Is soft?

Not particularly heavy.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It is infusible without addition, only it loses its colour, and becomes earthy and grey. With borax it yields a yellow-coloured glass. It is very freely acted on by acids. *Klaproth.*

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Klaproth found it to be composed of silica, alumina, and oxide of iron. It neither contains copper, nor is it, as had been suspected, native Prussian blue.

#### *Geognostic Situation.*

It is found in mica-slate, but its repository has not been accurately ascertained.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It occurs at Vörau in Stiria, but the most beautiful specimens are found in the bishopric of Salzburg.

#### *Observations.*



*Observations.*

It is distinguished from Azurestone, that although it occurs in quartz, it is never accompanied with iron-pyrites: besides this, azurestone has a dark colour, foliated fracture, scarcely occurs crystallized, and is semihard in a high degree.

Andalufite, or Hardspar.

Andalufit auch Hartspath.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Colour flesh-red, which sometimes approaches to rose-red.

Occurs massive, and crystallized in rectangular four-sided prisms.

Fracture imperfect foliated: *Werner* has not ascertained its cleavage, and the observations of *Haüy* are still not sufficiently precise.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

It is translucent.

Hard in a high degree: According to *Haüy*, scratches quartz, and sometimes even spinelle.

Easily frangible; and

Not particularly heavy, but heavier than felspar.

Specific gravity, 3.165, *Haüy.*

*Chemical Character.*

It is infusible, without addition, before the blow-pipe.

*Geognostic*



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found in Spain and France in primitive mountains, along with quartz and mica; and also, although rarely, in mica-slate at Braunsdorf near Freyberg in Saxony.

*Observations.*

It is distinguished from Felspar by its greater hardness, and higher specific gravity, and from Corundum by its inferior specific gravity and its form.

## Hollow-Spar or Chiaftolite.

Hohlspath.—*Werner.*

Macle basaltique, ou Shorl en Prismes quadrangulaires rhomboidaux, *Romé de Lisle*, t. 2. p. 440. — Crucite, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 292. — Chiaftolith, *Karsten*. Tabell. p. 28. and 73. — Macle, *Hauy*, t. 3. p. 267. — *Id.* *Broch.* t. 2. p. 514.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish, yellowish, and reddish-white, which passes on the one side into pale greenish-grey, on the other into flesh-red.

It has been hitherto found only crystallized, and that in nearly rectangular four-sided prisms.

The crystals, when viewed on their extremities, appear to be composed of four parts, which have in their centre a prismatic space, the sides of which are parallel with those of the lateral planes of the prism. From this central space, four lines run to the angles of the prism, and in each angle there is commonly a more or less perfect rhomboidal



boidal empty space. These spaces are usually filled with blackish-coloured clay-slate.

The crystals are sometimes middle-sized, sometimes small and acicular, and frequently intersect each other.

Fracture foliated with a double cleavage, and the folia are parallel with the lateral planes.

It is translucent, but opaque when it is decomposed, which is often the case.

The larger crystals are hard; the smaller, on the contrary, are softer, and of the nature of felspar.

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.9444.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it is converted into a whitish scoria; the clay-slate which fills up the spaces, yields a black glass.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It has been hitherto found embedded only in clay-slate.

*Geographic Situation.*

Is found in that part of the Fichtelgebirge that belongs to Baireuth; in Brittany in France, where the largest crystals occur; and near to St Jacques de Compostella in Spain\*.

*Observations.*

\* Mr Davy informed me he observed it in clay-slate in the mountains of Cumberland.



*Observations.*

1. According to *Werner*, the colour, crystallization, fracture, and easy weathering of this mineral, are proofs that it is only a subspecies of felspar, and that it cannot be viewed as a distinct species.

2. The French mineralogists describe it as a particular species under the name *Macle*; and *Karsten*, on account of the resemblance of its surface to the Greek letter  $\chi$ , has denominated it *Chiastolith*. *Werner's* name is derived from the hollow spaces by which it is so well characterized.

3. It is placed in the system as a Subspecies of Felspar, immediately after Common Felspar, and before Compact Felspar.

## Scapolite.

Scapolith.—*Werner*.

*Id. Dandrada*, Journ. de Phys. an 8. t. 2. p. 246.—*Id. Haüy*, t. 4. p. 393.—*Id. Broch*. t. 2. p. 526.—*Id. Reufs*, 2. b. f. 483.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish-white, yellowish-white, and greenish-white, which sometimes passes into greenish-grey.

Occurs massive, but most commonly crystallized in long, thin, often acicular, rather oblique four-sided prisms, in which the lateral edges are sometimes truncated.

The crystals are slightly longitudinally streaked, and aggregated into thick fasciculi, which are again grown together.

Externally



Externally it is glistening; internally it is shining and glistening, and its lustre is intermediate between resinous and pearly.

It appears to have an imperfect foliated longitudinal fracture; but its cross-fracture is small and fine-grained uneven.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

It is more or less translucent.

Is intermediate between semihard and hard.

Is brittle.

Easily frangible; and

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.68 to 3.70, *Dandrada*.

#### *Chemical Character.*

Before the blow-pipe it intumesces, and melts into shining white enamel. *Dandrada*.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It has been hitherto found only in ironstone mines near to Arendal in Norway. Its crystals are sometimes mixed with mica, calc-spar, and feldspar.

#### *Arctizite or Wernerite.*

##### *Arktizit.—Werner.*

Wernerite, Journ. de Phys. an 8. t. 2. p. 244. — *Id.* Haüy, t. 3. p. 119. — *Id.* Broch. t. 2. p. 529.

##### *External Characters.*

Its colour is greenish-grey, but the surface of the



the crystals is intermediate between sky-blue and celadon-green.

Occurs massive; and crystallized, in low equiangular eight-sided prisms, which are flatly acuminate by four planes, which are set conformably-wise on the alternate lateral planes.

The crystals are middle-sized, inclining to small, and their planes are smooth.

Internally it is glistening, inclining to shining, and its lustre is pearly, inclining to resinous.

Fracture foliated, but of a very particular kind, to which *Werner* has given the name *tore foliated*; in all cases a twofold cleavage is to be observed.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not particularly sharp-edged.

Is translucent.

Hard; it scratches glass, but is scratched by felspar.

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.6063, *Dandrada*.

#### *Chemical Character.*

Before the blow-pipe it intumesces, and melts easily into an imperfect white and opaque enamel.

#### *Geographic Situation.*

It is found in the mines of Nortsto and Ulrica in Sweden; at Bouoen near Arendal in Norway; it is said also to have been found at Campo-Longo in Switzerland.

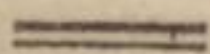
#### *Observations.*



*Observations.*

1. *Werner* gave it its present name from its occurring in arctic countries.

2. It was discovered and described by *Dandrada*, a pupil of *Werner*, who gave it the name *Wernerite*, in honour of his illustrious master.



## CLAY GENUS.

## Adhesive Slate.

Klebschiefer.—*Werner*.

Polier Schiefer, *Estner*, 2. b. f. 635.—*Id. Emm.* 3. b. f. 334.—*Id. Klap.* 2. b. f. 170.—Le Schiste à polir, ou le Polierschiefer, *Broch.* t. 1. p. 376.—Schiste à polir, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 449.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is light yellowish-grey, which inclines to greenish.

Occurs massive.

Internally it is dull.

Fracture in the large flaty, in the small fine earthy.

Fragments flaty.

Is opaque.

Its streak is shining.

Is sectile.

Very soft.

Easily frangible.

Exfoliates easily.

Adheres



Adheres strongly to the tongue.  
Is light, passing to swimming.  
Specific gravity, 2080, *Klaproth*.

*Chemical Characters.*

When plunged into water, it absorbs it with avidity; and bubbles of air are separated with an audible noise. Pulverized and calcined, it loses 19 in the 100 parts of its weight. In a furnace it passes into a greyish-black and yellowish coloured porous scoria.

*Constituent Parts.*

Silica,	66.50
Alumina,	7
Magnesia,	1.50
Lime,	1.25
Oxide of iron,	2.50
Water,	19
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<i>Klaproth.</i>	97.75

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs in beds, but the formation to which it belongs remains still undetermined.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Menil Montagne near Paris.

*Observations.*

1. It is named *Adhesive Slate*, on account of its strong adhesive property, and its flaty fracture.

2. It



2. It is described by Klaproth, Eftner, Emmerling and Brochant, under the name *Polier Slate*, a name which belongs to a very different fossil, and of which I have given a description in the first volume of this work, p. 315.

Floatstone.

Schwimmstein.—*Werner*.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is light yellowish-grey, which inclines to yellowish and greyish-white.

It occurs tuberose, and is internally porous.

Is dull.

Fracture earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular and blunt-edged.

Is very soft.

Rather brittle.

Feels rough, and emits a creaking sound.

Is very light, passing into floating.

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only at St Omèr near Paris.

Pinite.

Pinet.—*Werner*.

Micarelle, *Kirw.* vol. i. p. 212.—La Pinite, *Broch.* t. i. p. 456.

*External*



*External Characters.*

Its colour is blackish-grey, which is, however, often covered, on the surface and in rents, with iron-ochre.

Occurs seldom massive; almost always crystallized, and that in six-sided prisms with truncated lateral edges and angles; sometimes the truncating edges are so numerous that the crystal acquires a roundish aspect.

The crystals are sometimes middle-sized, sometimes small, and frequently intersect each other.

The planes of the crystals are pretty smooth.

The external lustre is accidental; internally it is glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Its longitudinal fracture is small-grained uneven; the cross-fracture, on the contrary, is imperfect foliated.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sometimes blunt-edged.

Slightly translucent on the edges.

Soft, passing into very soft.

Sectile.

Easily frangible; and

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.980, *Kirwan*.

*Chemical Characters.*

It experiences no alteration before the blow-pipe, either alone or with addition of borax. With

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carbonat



carbonat of soda it forms an opaque scoriaceous globule; and with microcosmic salt, a transparent opalescent glass,

*Constituent Parts.*

Alumina,	63.75
Silica,	29.50
Oxide of iron,	6.75

*Klaproth,* 100

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in the mine level, called Pini, at Schneeberg in Saxony.

*Observations.*

1. Its name is derived from the name of the mine gallery where it is found.
2. It is usually accompanied with quartz, felspar, and mica.

Umbler.

Umbler.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between liver-brown and dark yellowish-brown.

Occurs massive.

Fracture large conchoidal.

Fragments more or less blunt-edged.

Is very soft.

Adheres a little to the tongue.

Feels



Feels meagre, and is

Light.

*Geographic Situation.*

It occurs in beds in the island of Cyprus.

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TALC GENUS.

Sahlite.

Sahlit.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Colour light greenish-grey.

Occurs massive.

Internally it is shining and splendent.

Its principal fracture is foliated, with a three-fold cleavage, of which one of the cleavages is perfect, and two rather imperfect; and they intersect each other obliquely.

Fragments frequently rhomboidal.

Consists of very coarse granular distinct concretions.

Is translucent on the edges.

Semihard, approaching to soft?

Is brittle.

Easily frangible; and

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.2368, *Dandrana.*

*Geographic*



*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Sahlberg (hence its name) in Westermannland in Sweden.

## CALC GENUS.

## Phosphorite.

Phosphorit.—*Werner.*

*External Characters.*

Colour yellowish-white, and is often spotted yellowish-grey.

Occurs massive.

Internally it is sometimes glistening, sometimes dull.

Fracture imperfect and curved foliated, which inclines to floriform foliated, and in some varieties passes into coarse earthy.

Fragments indeterminately angular, pretty blunt-edged.

Has a tendency to thick and curved lamellar distinct concretions.

Is translucent on the edges.

Soft, approaching to semihard.

Brittle; and

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

*Geographic Situation.*

It forms a great bed in the province of Estremadura in Spain.

*Observation.*



*Observation.*

It has much resemblance to Curved Lamellar Heavy-Spar, but it is harder, and lighter than this kind of heavy-spar.

*Anhydrite.*

Anhydrit.—*Werner.*

Chaux sulphatée anhydre, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 348.

*External Characters.*

Colour smalt-blue, which passes into milk-white.

Occurs massive.

Fracture imperfect and curved foliated, which in some places passes into radiated; and it is besides coarse and fine splintery.

It is shining, passing into glistening, and its lustre is pearly.

Fragments indeterminately angular, sharp-edged.

Shews a tendency to small and fine granular distinct concretions.

Is soft.

Not particularly brittle.

Not very difficultly frangible; and

Not particularly heavy, but heavier than calc-spar.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found at Salz on the Neckar, in the dutchy of Wurtemberg.

*Observation.*



*Observation.*

It differs from cube-spar in colour, fracture, shape of fragments, and in having a higher specific gravity.

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 HALLITE GENUS.

## Cryolite.

Kryolit.—*Werner.*

*Id.* Journ. de Phys. an 8. t. 2. p. 245. *Id.* Karst. Tabell. f. 28. & 72.—Alumine fluatée alkaline, *Haüy*, t. 2. p. 398. —Cryolithe, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 505.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish-white.

Occurs massive.

Internally glistening, and lustre vitreous?

Fracture imperfect foliated, with a rectangular threefold cleavage.

Fragments cubical, but more frequently tabular.

Has a tendency to straight lamellar distinct concretions.

Is translucent.

Soft; is scratched by fluor-spar.

Brittle; and

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.949, *Haüy*; 2.957, *Karsten*.

*Chemical*



*Chemical Characters.*

Melts extremely easily before the blow-pipe: it afterwards hardens, and then changes into a scoria, which has a slight degree of causticity. It dissolves in the sulphuric acid with effervescence, and disengages white vapours that corrode glass.

*Constituent Parts.*

Fluoric acid and water,	40.5	47
Soda,	36.	32
Alumina,	23.5	21
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<i>Klaproth.</i>	100	<i>Vauquelin.</i> 100

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in Greenland.

*Observation.*

The generic name *Hallite*, which is formed from the Greek word ἅλς, *salt*, intimates that the fossils comprehended under it bear a striking resemblance to fossil-salts.



General Remarks

It is extremely easily before the blow pipe, it  
then melts, hardens, and then changes into a  
mass which has a slight degree of consistency,  
differs in the sulphuric acid with effluvia,  
and disengages white vapours that consist of

Composition

Fluoric acid and water	100
Soda	10
Stearine	10
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Total	120

Geographic Situation

Has been hitherto found only in Greenland  
The general name is *Halite*, which is derived from  
the Greek word *halos*, meaning salt. It is  
the sulphuric acid under it has a white  
mass is dissolved



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## MISCELLANEOUS APPENDIX.

**I**N this Appendix, I include descriptions of such fossils as have not hitherto been noticed by WERNER; and of others, which although admitted into his System, have not been publicly described by him.

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 EARTHY FOSSILS.

## Foliated Prehnite?

Blättricher Prehnite.—*Werner*.Koupholite, *Haüy*, t. 4. p. 373.—*Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 513.*External Characters.*

Its colour is yellowish-white, and it occurs in small translucent folia, which are glistening, and have a pearly lustre; they are grouped together, and appear to have a tendency to the rhomboidal form.

*Chemical Characters.*

It melts before the blow-pipe, with intumescence and phosphorescence, into a spongy enamel. Nitrous acid has no action on it, either concentrated or when diluted with water.



*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Mr Gillet Laumont first discovered this fossil near Barreges in a vein of calc-spar. It has since been discovered by Mr Picot Lapeyrouse on the Pic d'Erdlitz, in a chlorite rock, accompanied with actynolite.

*Observation.*

I suspect, from the preceding description, which is extracted from *Haüy's Mineralogy*, that this fossil is the Foliated Prehnite of *Werner*.

*Schmelzstein.—Werner.*

Dipyre, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 242.—Leucolite de Mauleon, *Lam.* t. 2. p. 275.—Dipyre, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 508.

*External Characters.*

Colour greyish white, and reddish white, which passes into pale rose red.

Occurs disseminated in small fascicular masses, or in small prismatic crystals.

It is shining, and its lustre is vitreous.

Its longitudinal fracture is foliated, and the folia, according to *Haüy*, are parallel with the planes of the regular hexahedron.

It is semihard.

Easily frangible.

Specific gravity, 2.630, *Haüy*.

*Chemical Character.*

It intumesces before the blow-pipe.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Silica,	60
Alumina,	24
Calcareous earth,	10
Water,	2
Loss,	4
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<i>Vauquelin.</i>	100

*Geographic Situation.*

It has been hitherto found only near to Mauléon in the Pyrenees, where it is imbedded in steatite.

*Spodumene.**Spodumen.—Werner.*

Spodumene, *Dandrada*, Journ. de Phys. an 8. t. 2. p. 240.—  
Triphane, *Hauy*, t. 4. p. 407.—*Id.* Broch. t. 2. p. 528.

*External Characters.*

Colour greenish-white, which passes into apple-green.

It occurs in small masses, that present the appearance of crystallization.

It is shining, and its lustre is pearly.

Fracture is radiated, and the radia have a three-fold cleavage, and all the folia are parallel to the axis.

It is semihard, passing to hard.

Brittle.

Translucent on the edges.

Heavy



Heavy in a middling degree.

Specific gravity, 3.192, *Hauy*; 3.218, *Dandrada*.

*Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it splits into small yellowish folia, and at last melts into a greyish-white transparent glass.

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in the mines of Uton, near to Dalero, in Sweden. It is usually accompanied with quartz and black-mica.

*Observation.*

*Werner* places it in the system immediately after Arctite.

Meionite.

Meionite.—*Hauy*.

*Hauy*, t. 2. p. 586.—Hyacinth blanche de Somma, *Romé de Lisle*, t. 2. p. 290.—Hyacinthine, *La Metherie*, t. 2. p. 326.  
Meionite, *Broch*. t. 2. p. 519.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is greyish-white.

Occurs crystallized in rectangular four-sided prisms, in which the lateral edges are truncated, (thus forming an eight-sided prism): and it is obtusely acuminated on both extremities by four planes, which are set on the lateral edges. Sometimes



times the edges of the truncatures are truncated, and thus a six-sided prism is formed. The edges situated between the acuminating and lateral planes are also sometimes truncated.

The crystals are small, and adhere together.

It is shining, and its lustre is vitreous.

The longitudinal fracture is foliated, and the folia are parallel with the four sides of the prism; the cross-fracture is slightly conchoidal.

It is faintly translucent, but is traversed by fissures.

Is semihard; scratches glass.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

It melts very easily before the blow-pipe, and yields a spongy white glass.

#### *Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It is found at Monte Somma in the vicinity of Vesuvius, adhering to fragments of granular limestone.

#### Sommite.

*Id. Lam. t. 2. p. 271.*—Schorl blanc volcanique of *Ferber*, and other *Mineralogists*.—Nepheline, *Hauy*, t. 3. p. 186.

#### *External Characters.*

Its colour is greyish-white.

It occurs disseminated, or crystallized in six-sided prisms, which are usually perfect, more rarely truncated on the lateral edges.

The



The lateral edges are smooth and shining, and have a vitreous lustre.

The longitudinal fracture is foliated, parallel with the faces of the prism; the cross-fracture is conchoidal.

Is translucent, and more rarely semitransparent.

Easily frangible.

Semihard.

Specific gravity, 3.2474, *Hauy*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

Before the blow-pipe it melts with some difficulty into a compact glass. Nitrous acid does not dissolve it, but it becomes opaque and cloudy.

#### *Constituent Parts.*

Silica,	46
Alumina,	9
Lime,	2
Oxide of iron,	1
Loss,	2

*Vauquelin.*      100

#### *Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It lines the cavities of certain rocks, (by some called lavas), of which the Monte Somma is composed.

#### Glassy Felspar.

#### Glasiger Feldspath.—*Karsten.*

#### *External Characters.*

Its colour is usually ash-grey and yellowish-grey:



grey: from the first it passes into greyish-white, from the latter into yellowish-white.

Occurs crystallized in the following figures:

1. Longish six-sided tables.
2. Oblique four-sided prisms, which are sometimes bevelled on the extremities.

The crystals are middle-sized, and small, seldom very small.

The external surface is sometimes longitudinally streaked, and glistening, or glimmering.

Internally it is shining and splendent, and its lustre is vitreous, which in some varieties approaches to pearly.

The principal fracture is straight and perfect foliated, with a double rectangular cleavage; the cross-fracture is fine-grained uneven, and from this it passes into splintery, and seldom into small conchoidal.

The fragments are rhomboidal, and only specular on four sides.

It is translucent and semitransparent.

Hard.

Brittle.

Easily frangible, and

Not particularly heavy.

Specific gravity, 2.518.—2.589.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

In a charcoal crucible, it is converted into a greyish-white, almost transparent vesicular glass; in



in a clay crucible into a semitransparent, grey-coloured foamy glass.

*Geognostic Situation.*

It occurs imbedded in porphyry slate.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in Bohemia; at Drachenfels near Bonn on the Rhine; and Solfatara in Italy.

*Observation.*

1. It has its name from its glassy or vitreous lustre.
2. *Werner* suspects that Meionite, Sommite, and Glassy Felspar, ought to be considered as forming but one species. He will probably arrange them in his system under the name *Glassy Felspar*.

*Spinthere.*

*Haüy*, t. 4. p. 398.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is greenish.

Occurs crystallized in very irregular double four-sided pyramids, which are obliquely truncated.

The crystals are small, and at first sight have a considerable resemblance to green crystals of axinite, and they are splendid.

Fracture foliated.

Hard



Hard in a low degree ; and  
Slightly translucent on the edges.

*Chemical Characters.*

It melts very easily before the blow-pipe.

*Geographic Situation.*

It was first described by *Haüy*, who found it adhering to crystals of calc-spar from Dauphiny.

METALLIC FOSSILS.

Pitchy Iron-Ore.

Eisen-Pecherz.—*Werner*.

Fer phosphite, *Journ. de Mines*, No. 64. p. 295.—*Id. Broch. t. 2.*  
P. 533.

*External Characters.*

Its colour is very deep reddish-brown, which sometimes passes into black.

Occurs massive.

Its surface rough, owing to a covering of iron-ochre.

Internally it is glistening, and its lustre is semi-metallic, passing to resinous.

The fracture is compact, and sometimes foliated.

Is opaque.

Semihard.

Rather difficultly frangible.

Brittle.

Specific gravity, 3.956.

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Chemical



*Chemical Characters.*

Melts very easily into a black enamel before the blow-pipe.

*Constituent Parts.*

Phosphoric acid,	0.27
Oxide of iron,	0.31
Oxide of manganese,	0.42

*Geographic Situation.*

Is found at Limoges in France.

## Chromate of Iron.

This has been described as a new species of iron-ore by *Hauy* and *Brochant*. Its external characters are however so nearly allied to those of Magnetic Ironstone, that we may probably consider it but as a subspecies, or kind of that species.

## Gadolinite.

Gadolinit.—*Werner*.

*Id.* Chem. Annal. 1796. — *Id.* *Hauy*, t. 3. f. 141. — *Id.* *Broch.* t. 2, p. 512.

*External Characters.*

Colour velvet-black, which sometimes passes into brownish-black.

Occurs massive.

It is shining, and its lustre is vitreous.

Fracture conchoidal.

Is hard, scratches quartz slightly.

Opaque.

Brittle.



Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 4.0497, *Haüy*.

It attracts the magnetic needle.

*Chemical Characters.*

When pulverized and heated with diluted nitric acid, it is converted into a yellowish-grey thick jelly. Before the blowpipe, it decrepitates, assumes a reddish-white colour, and remains unfused if the fragments are not very minute: with borax it is converted into a yellow-coloured glass. A new earth, to which the name of *Yttria* has been given, has been discovered in it.

*Constituent Parts.*

<i>Eckeberg.</i>		<i>Vauquelin.</i>	
Yttria,	47.5	Yttria,	35
Silica,	25.0	Silica,	25.5
Iron,	18.0	Iron,	25.0
Alumina,	4.5	Oxide of manganese,	2.0
Loss,	5	Lime,	2
	<hr/>	Water and carbon,	10.5
	100		<hr/>
			100

*Geographic Situation.*

It has been hitherto found only at Ytterby in Sweden.

*Observation.*

1. It was first discovered by *Dr Gadolin*, hence the



the name *Gadolinite*: the name *Yttria* is derived from Ytterby, where this mineral is found.

2. *Werner* places it in his System between Pitchy Iron-ore, and Green Iron-earth.

### Copper Sand, or Muriat of Copper.

Salzkupfererz.—*Werner*.

Sable vert du Perou, *Mém. de l'Acad. des Scienc. an* 1786, p. 465.

—Cuivre mineralisé par l'Acide marin sous form de Sable vert, *Sciagr.* t. 2. p. 135.—Copper mineralized by the Muriatic Acid, Green Sand of Peru, *Kirw.* vol. ii. p. 149.—Cuivre muriaté, *Hauy*, t. 3. p. 560.—*Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 545.—Kupfer Sand, *Reufs*, 3. b. f. 486.

### External Characters.

Colour sometimes intermediate between leek and emerald green, sometimes between emerald and olive-green.

Occurs massive, disseminated; and crystallized in the following figures:

1. Thin six-sided prism, with four broader and two smaller lateral planes, bevelled on the extremities, and the bevelling planes set on the smaller lateral planes.
2. Rather oblique four-sided prism, perfect or bevelled in the extremities, and the bevelling planes set on the obtuse lateral edges; and sometimes these obtuse edges are at the same time truncated.

The crystals are small and very small, and often intersect one another in such a manner that it is difficult to ascertain their true figure.

The



The surface of the crystals is commonly smooth, and splendid and adamantine.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture foliated.

Fragments indeterminately angular, not very blunt-edged.

Occurs in coarse and small granular distinct concretions.

The massive varieties are opaque, but the crystals are transparent.

Is soft.

Streak pale apple-green.

Rather sectile.

Easily frangible; and

Not particularly heavy, approaching to heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.750, *Lametherie*; 4.4308, *Herrgen*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

When projected on the flame of burning coal, it communicates to it a green and blue colour. Before the blow-pipe on coal, it tinges the flame of a very lively azure and emerald blue colour, but the muriatic acid is speedily dissipated, and a metallic grain remains behind. It dissolves in nitrous and muriatic acids without effervescence, and forms a green-coloured solution. Ammonia nearly dissolves the whole, and forms a blue-coloured solution.

*Constituent*



<i>Constituent Parts.</i>			
	From Peru.	Chili.	Chili.
Black oxide of copper,	} 76.595	70.482	Oxide of copper, } 73
Muriatic acid,	10.638	11.446	10.1
Water,	12.767	18.072	16.9
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	<i>Proust.</i>	<i>Proust.</i>	<i>Klaproth.</i>

*Geognostic Situation.*

It is found loose, and sometimes in the sand of rivers. At Remolinos it is said to be accompanied with foliated gyps, schorl, quartz, red copper-ore, copper-glance, tile-ore, malachite, corneous silver-ore, iron-ochre, and magnetic ironstone.

*Geographic Situation.*

It is found in Chili near to Remolinos; also at San Felix and Veta Negra de la Pampa Larga. It has been also discovered in a small river in the province of Lipes, 200 miles from Copiapo, on the sandy desert of Atacama, from whence it was first brought by *Dombey* to Europe.

*Phosphat of Copper.*

Phosphorsaures-Kupfer, *Karsten*.—*Id. Reuss*, 3. b. f. 507.—  
Cuivre phosphaté, *Broch*. t. 2. p. 544.

*External Characters.*

Externally it is greyish-black, internally intermediate between verdigris-green and emerald-green.

Occurs



Occurs massive, diffeminated, and cryftallized in oblique cubes, with convex lateral planes.

The cryftals are fmall and very fmall, and their furface is drufy and fplendent, with a luftre which is intermediate between vitreous and adamantine.

Internally it is ftrongly glimmering, and its luftre is filky.

Fracture extremely delicate, and diverging fibrous.

It has a tendency to thick and curved lamellar diftinct concretions.

Is opaque.

Soft, approaching to femihard.

Yields an apple-green coloured ftreak.

Is pretty fectile.

*Conftituent Parts.*

Oxide of copper,	68.13	
Phofphoric acid,	30.95	
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	99.08	<i>Klaproth.</i>

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only at Firneberg near Rheinbreidenbach in the former archbifhopric of Cologne, where it occurs in a white drufy quartz.

*Obfervation.*

From its colour and fibrous fracture it was formerly confidered as a variety of Malachite.

Corneous



Corneous Lead-Ore.

Hornblei.—*Karsten*.

*Analysis of a new variety of Lead-Ore, by Richard Chenevix, Esq; Nicholson's Journal, vol. iv. p. 219. et seq.—Hornblei, Karsten, Tabell. f. 50. and 78.—Id. Reufs, Min. 4. b. f. 261.—Plomb muriaté, Broch. t. 2. p. 547.*

*External Characters.*

Its colour is intermediate between asparagus-green and wine-yellow.

Occurs crystallized in

Cubes, (which, according to *Bournon*, are sometimes very oblique), either perfect, or more or less deeply truncated on all the angles; sometimes the lateral edges, (the cube considered as a prism), but more frequently the terminal edges, are truncated; sometimes the truncation on the terminal edges are so deep, that a four-planed acumination is formed; sometimes the lateral edges are bevelled.

The crystals are middle-sized and small, and externally glistening.

Internally it is splendid, and its lustre is adamantine.

The principal fracture is foliated, with a rectangular double cleavage; cross-fracture is conchoidal.

Is semitransparent.

Streak snow-white, and completely dull.

Soft, (softer than white lead-ore), which scratches it.

Señtile, and

Heavy.



Heavy.

Specific gravity, 6.6651, *Chenevix*.

*Constituent Parts.*

Oxide of lead,	85.5	85
Muriatic acid,	8.5	8
Carbonic acid,	6.0	6
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*Klaproth.* 99.0 *Chenevix.* 99

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only at Matlock in Derbyshire.

*Observations.*

1. It is principally distinguished from White Lead-ore, by its colour, crystallization, fracture inferior hardness, and less specific gravity.

2. The name *Hornblei* or *Corneous Lead-Ore*, given to this species by *Karsten*, is not from its resemblance in certain external characters to *Corneous Silver-ore*, but from its chemical composition.

*Reniform Lead-Ore.*

*Bleiniere.*—*Karsten.*

*Bleiniere*, *Karsten*, *Tabell.* f. 50. 77. 78.—*Id.* *Reufs*, 4. b. 4. 225.

—*Plomb arsenie*, *Haüy*, t. 3. p. 464.—*Id.* *Broch.* t. 2. p. 546.

*External Characters.*

On the fresh fracture its colour is brownish-red,

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but by exposure passes into ochre and straw-yellow.

Occurs in reniform-shaped masses, which have a rough or uneven surface.

Internally it is glistening, and its lustre is resinous.

Fracture conchoidal.

Fragments indeterminately angular.

Occurs in coarse granular distinct concretions, which are, towards the surface, curved lamellar.

Is opaque.

Yields an orange-yellow dull streak.

Is soft.

Brittle, and

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 3.920, *Bindheim*.

#### *Chemical Characters.*

When heated on coal before the blow-pipe it melts, and emits an arsenical smell; and if the heat is continued, it is converted into a black shining globule, in which some grains of lead are to be observed. It makes no sensible effervescence with nitrous acid. These characters distinguish it sufficiently from all other ores of lead.

*Constituent*



*Constituent Parts.*

Lead,	35
Arsenic acid,	25
Silver,	1.5
Iron,	14
Silica,	7
Alumina,	3
Water,	10
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*Bindheim.**Geographic Situation.*

It has been hitherto found only at Nertschinsk in Siberia.

*Observations.*

Mr *Champeaux* discovered in France an Arseniat of Lead, which has a yellowish-green colour, and occurs in silky fibres not unlike amianth; and Mr *Proust* informs us, that he found in Andalusia a green-coloured Arseniat of Lead: but both of these minerals require to be more correctly described.

*Bournonite.*

Sulphuret of Lead, Antimony, and Copper, of *Count de Bournon* and *Hatchett*, *Phil. Transf.* for 1804.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark grey, inclining to black.

Occurs crystallized in the following figures:

1. Low rectangular four-sided prism, the lateral planes of which are pretty deeply streaked.

2. Same



2. Same figure, in which the lateral edges are truncated, and thus form an eight-sided prism.
3. Same figure with truncated angles.
4. Same figure, in which the terminal edges only are truncated, or in which all the edges are truncated at the same time.
5. Same figure, in which all the angles and edges are truncated at the same time.
6. Twin crystal, formed by the intersection of two crystals, of which only two opposite terminal edges are truncated.

The original planes of the crystals are longitudinally streaked \*, but the truncating planes are smooth.

The crystals are large and middle-sized, and their surface is splendid.

Internally it is splendid, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture coarse-grained uneven.

Semihard; easily cuts calc-spar, but does not scratch fluor-spar.

Brittle.

Easily frangible.

Leaves a black trace on paper, but not so readily as lead and grey antimony-ore.

Specific gravity, 5.5765; it is consequently superior to that of copper-glance or grey antimony-ore, but very inferior to that of lead-glance.

*Chemical*

\* *Count De Bournon* considers the streaked planes to be those of the secondary crystals.



*Chemical Characters.*

If suddenly heated on charcoal by the blow-pipe, it crackles and splits; but, when gradually exposed to the flame, it liquefies, and, upon cooling, assumes a dull grey colour. When the globule is longer exposed to heat, white fumes, (which at first have a sulphureous odour) are evolved, and partly settle on the charcoal. Ebullition prevails during the discharge of these white fumes; and the globule gradually suffers a considerable diminution, remaining at length tranquil, and of a very dark grey colour. This globule is composed of malleable copper, surrounded by a crust of sulphuret of lead. *Hatchett.*

*Constituent Parts.*

Sulphur,	17.
Antimony,	24.23
Lead,	42.62
Iron,	1.20
Copper,	12.80
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	97.85
Loss,	2.15
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<i>Hatchett.</i>	100.00

*Geographic Situation.*

Has been hitherto found only in the mine called Huel Boys in Cornwall.

*Observations.*



*Observations.*

1. It may probably be placed in the System after Lead-Glance.

2. As it has received no name, it may, in honour of the distinguished mineralogist who first described it, be denominated *Bournonite*.

*Columbite.*

Columbium, *Hatchett*, Phil. Trans. for 1802. — Columbium, *Broch.* t. 2. p. 550. — Columbeisen, *Reufs*, 4. b. f. 632.

*External Characters.*

Colour dark steel-grey, which inclines to iron-black.

Occurs massive.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre inclines to semimetallic.

Longitudinal fracture imperfect foliated; cross fracture fine-grained uneven.

Is semihard.

Yields a dark yellowish-brown streak.

Is brittle.

Easily frangible; and

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.918, *Hatchett*.

*Chemical Characters.*

Mineral acids act but feebly on it, and extract a portion of its iron. Melted with five times its weight



weight of potash, an ebullition follows, and the mixture melts into a greenish-coloured mass.

*Constituent Parts.*

Columbic oxide,	78
Oxide of iron,	21
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	99

*Geographic Situation.*

This fossil was found by Mr Hatchett in the British Museum, amongst a collection of minerals sent from the province of Massachusetts in North America.

*Observations.*

1. Mr *Hatchett* found it to contain a metal, which, from its properties, could not be referred to any hitherto known; hence he was of opinion that it should be considered as a new genus, to which he gave the name *Columbium*, in honour of the discoverer of America.

2. As it does not contain the metal in a metallic state, I have, with Dr Thomson, denominated it *Columbite*.

3. Although this species contains a new metal, and that in great proportion, yet I doubt much if it can be considered as a distinct genus. Its external characters bear so great a resemblance to several ores of iron, that it would probably not be improper, for the present to place it in the Iron Genus.

Tantalite.



## Tantalite.

Tantalite.—*Eckeberg*.

*Eckeberg* in "Kongl. Vetenskaps Academiens Handlingar," for 1802, *Quart.* 1. p. 98.--83. — Also in *Scherer's* "Allgem. Journal der Chemie," 9. b. f. 610. and 613. — *Id. Reufs*, 4. b. f. 635.—*Id. Broch.* t. 2. p. 673.

*External Characters.*

Externally its colour is iron black; on the fresh fracture it is intermediate between bluish-grey and iron-black.

It occurs imbedded, in masses of the size of a hazel-nut, which have a tendency to the octahedral form.

Externally it is smooth and glimmering.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is metallic.

It is semihard, bordering on hard.

Yields a blackish grey streak; and is

Uncommonly heavy.

Specific gravity, 7.953, *Eckeberg*.

*Constituent Parts.*

Its constituent parts are tantalium, iron, and manganese.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

Occurs imbedded in quartz, which forms veins that traverse a red granular felspar.

Has been hitherto found only in Sweden.

*Observation.*



*Observation.*

Its name is derived from the new metal called *Tantalium*, which it contains.

## Yttertantalite.

Yttertantal.—*Eckeberg.*

*Id. Eckeberg*, in "Kongl. Vetenskaps Academiens Handlingar," for 1802.—*Id. Reufs*, 4. b. f. 637.—*Id. Broch*, t. 2. p. 674.

*External Characters.*

On the fresh fracture it is iron-black.

Occurs imbedded in masses which are the size of a hazel-nut, and sometimes smaller.

Internally it is shining, and its lustre is metallic.

Fracture uneven.

Semihard.

Yields a grey streak; and is

Heavy.

Specific gravity, 5.130, *Eckeberg*.

*Constituent Parts.*

According to *Eckeberg*, it is composed of tantalum, the new earth called yttria, and iron.

*Geognostic and Geographic Situations.*

It occurs, along with gadolinite, in a rock composed of mica, quartz, and felspar.



*Observations.*

1. Its name is derived from its constituent parts.
2. The preceding imperfect descriptions of these species are extracted from *Eckeberg's* Memoir: it is almost impossible, from them, to determine whether this fossil should constitute a new genus, or be arranged under some of those already known.

APP. III.



## APPENDIX III.

I AM happy to be able to communicate to the public, through the goodness of my friend Mr MEUDER, a Tabular View of the Oryctognostic System, which exhibits the improvements and additions made to it by *Werner* in 1803. In its present form, it approaches still nearer to the natural, and is farther removed from the chemical method than heretofore, a decisive proof of the excellence of the improvements which it has lately experienced.

## MINERAL SYSTEM

IN

1803.

CLASS I.

EARTHY FOSSILS.

## I. DIAMOND GENUS.

1. Diamond.

## 2. ZIRCON GENUS.

*Zircon Family.*

2. Zircon.

3. Hyacinth.

4. Cinnamon-stone.

## 3. FLINT GENUS.

*Chrysolite Family.*

5. Chrysoberyl.

6. Chrysolite.

7. Olivine.

8. Coccoelite.

9. Augite



9. Augite.  
10. Pistazite.

11. Vesuvian.

*Garnet Family.*

12. Leucite.  
13. Melanite.  
14. Garnet.  
    *a.* Precious.

- b.* Common.  
15. Staurolite or Grenatite.  
16. Pyrope.

*Ruby Family.*

17. Spinelle.  
18. Sapphire.  
19. Emery.  
20. Corundum.

21. Diamond spar.  
22. Ceylanite.  
23. Topaz.

*Schorl Family.*

24. Euclase.  
25. Emerald.  
26. Beryl.  
    *a.* Precious.  
    *b.* Schorlous.

27. Schorl.  
    *a.* Common.  
    *b.* Tourmaline.  
28. Axinite or Thumerstone.

*Quartz Family.*

29. Quartz.  
    *a.* Amethyst.  
         *$\alpha$ .* Common.  
         *$\beta$ .* Thick fibrous.  
    *b.* Rock crystal.  
    *c.* Milk quartz.  
    *d.* Common quartz.  
    *e.* Prase.  
30. Iron flint.  
31. Hornstone.  
    *a.* Splintery.  
    *b.* Conchoidal.  
    *c.* Woodstone.  
32. Flinty slate.  
    *a.* Common.  
    *b.* Lydian stone.  
33. Flint.  
34. Chalcedony.  
    *a.* Common.

- b.* Carnelian.  
35. Hyalite.  
36. Opal.  
    *a.* Precious.  
         *$\alpha$ .* Translucent.  
         *$\beta$ .* Passing from translucent into semi-transparent.  
         *$\gamma$ .* Semi-transparent, approaching to transparent.  
    *b.* Common opal.  
    *c.* Semi opal.  
    *d.* Wood opal.  
37. Menilite.  
38. Jasper.  
    *a.* Egyptian.  
         *$\alpha$ .* Red.  
         *$\beta$ .* Brown



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|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| $\beta$ . Brown.            | <i>e.</i> Opal jasper.  |
| <i>b.</i> Striped jasper.   | <i>f.</i> Agate jasper. |
| <i>c.</i> Porcelain jasper. | 39. Heliotrope.         |
| <i>d.</i> Common jasper.    | 40. Chrysoptase.        |
| <i>a.</i> Conchoidal.       | 41. Plasma.             |
| $\beta$ . Earthy.           | 42. Cat's eye.          |

*Pitchstone Family.*

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| 43. Obsidian.   | 45. Pearlstone. |
| 44. Pitchstone. | 46. Pumice.     |

*Zeolite Family.*

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|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 47. Prehnite.       | 49. Cubizite.               |
| <i>a.</i> Fibrous.  | 50. Cross stone or Cruzite. |
| <i>b.</i> Foliated. | 51. Lomonite.               |
| 48. Zeolite.        | 52. <i>Schmelzstein.</i>    |
| <i>a.</i> Mealy.    | 53. Natrolite.              |
| <i>b.</i> Fibrous   | 54. Azurite.                |
| <i>c.</i> Radiated  | 55. Azure stone.            |
| <i>d.</i> Foliated  |                             |
- } Zeolite.

*Felspar Family.*

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 56. Andaluzite.           | <i>d.</i> Hollow spar.      |
| 57. Felspar.              | <i>e.</i> Compact felspar.  |
| <i>a.</i> Adularia.       | 58. Scapolite.              |
| <i>b.</i> Labrador.       | 59. Arctizite or Wernerite. |
| <i>c.</i> Common felspar. | 60. Spodumene.              |
| <i>a.</i> Fresh.          | 61. <i>Fischaugenstein.</i> |
| $\beta$ . Disintegrated.  |                             |

## 4. CLAY GENUS.

*Clay Family.*

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|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 62. Pure clay.             | <i>e.</i> Slate clay.          |
| 63. Porcelain earth.       | 65. Claystone.                 |
| 64. Common clay.           | 66. Adhesive slate.            |
| <i>a.</i> Loam.            | 67. Polishing or polier slate. |
| <i>b.</i> Pipe clay.       | 68. Tripoli.                   |
| <i>c.</i> Potter's clay.   |                                |
| <i>a.</i> Earthy.          | 69. Floatstone.                |
| <i>d.</i> Variegated clay. | 70. Alum stone.                |

Clay



*Clay-Slate Family.*

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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 71. Alum slate.       | 73. Drawing slate. |
| <i>a.</i> Common      | 74. Whet slate.    |
| <i>b.</i> Glossy.     | 75. Clay slate.    |
| 72. Bituminous shale. |                    |

*Mica Family.*

- |                 |                              |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| 76. Lepidolite. | <i>a.</i> Chlorite earth.    |
| 77. Mica.       | <i>b.</i> Common chlorite.   |
| 78. Pinite.     | <i>c.</i> Chlorite slate.    |
| 79. Potstone.   | <i>d.</i> Foliated chlorite. |
| 80. Chlorite.   |                              |

*Trap Family.*

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|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 81. Hornblende.             | 83. Wacke.      |
| <i>a.</i> Common.           | 84. Clinkstone. |
| <i>b.</i> Labradore.        | 85. Iron clay.  |
| <i>c.</i> Basaltic.         |                 |
| <i>d.</i> Hornblende slate. | 86. Lava.       |
| 82. Basalt.                 |                 |

*Lithomarge Family.*

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|----------------------|-------------------|
| 87. Green earth.     | 89. Rock-soap.    |
| 88. Lithomarge.      | 90. Umber.        |
| <i>a.</i> Friable.   | 91. Yellow earth. |
| <i>b.</i> Indurated. |                   |

## 5. TALC GENUS.

*Soapstone Family.*

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 92. Native magnesia, or talc-earth. | 95. Fuller's earth. |
| 93. Bole.                           | 96. Steatite.       |
| 94. Meerschaum.                     | 97. Bildstein.      |

*Talc Family.*

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 98. Nephrite.              | <i>a.</i> Common.     |
| <i>a.</i> Common nephrite. | <i>b.</i> Precious.   |
| <i>b.</i> Axe-stone.       | <i>a.</i> Conchoidal. |
| 99. Serpentine.            | <i>β.</i> Splintery.  |
|                            | 100. Schillerstone.   |



100. Schillerstone.  
 101. Talc.  
   *a.* Earthy.  
   *b.* Common.  
   *c.* Indurated.

102. Asbest.  
   *a.* Rock-cork.  
   *b.* Amianth.  
   *c.* Common asbest.  
   *d.* Rock-wood.

*Actynolite Family.*

103. Kyanite.  
 104. Actynolite.  
   *a.* Asbestous.  
   *b.* Common.  
   *c.* Glassy.

105. Tremolite.  
   *a.* Asbestous.  
   *b.* Common.  
   *c.* Glassy.  
 106. Sahlite.

## 6. CALC GENUS.

*A. Carbonats.*

107. Rock milk.  
 108. Chalk.  
 109. Limestone.  
   *a.* Compact.  
     *a.* Common.  
     *β.* Roestone.  
   *b.* Foliated.  
     *a.* Granular.  
     *β.* Calc spar.  
   *c.* Fibrous.  
     *a.* Common.  
     *β.* Calc-sinter.  
   *d.* Pea-stone.

117. Stink stone.  
 118. Marl.  
   *a.* Marl earth.  
   *b.* Indurated marl.  
 119. Bituminous marl-slate.  
 120. Arragon.

*B. Phosphats.*

121. Appatite.  
 122. Asparagus stone.  
 123. Phosphorite.

*C. Fluats.*

124. Fluor.  
   *a.* Compact.  
   *b.* Fluor-spar.  
*D. Sulphats.*

110. Calc-tuff.  
 111. Schum earth, or foam-earth.  
 112. Slate spar.  
 113. Brown spar.  
   *a.* Foliated.  
   *b.* Fibrous.  
 114. Schaalstone.  
 115. Dolomite.  
 116. Rhomb-spar.

125. Gips.  
   *a.* Gyps earth.  
   *b.* Compact gyps.  
   *c.* Foliated gyps.  
   *d.* Fibrous gyps.

126. Selenite.  
 127. Anhydrite.  
 128. Cube spar.

## 7. BARYTE GENUS.

129. Witherite.  
 130. Heavy spar.

- a.* Heavy spar earth.  
*b.* Compact heavy spar  
*c.* Granular



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| <i>c.</i> Granular heavy spar.          | <i>β.</i> Disintegrated.                |
| <i>d.</i> Curved lamellar heavy spar.   | <i>f.</i> Columnar spar.                |
| <i>e.</i> Straight lamellar heavy spar. | <i>g.</i> Prismatic spar.               |
| <i>a.</i> Fresh.                        | <i>b.</i> Bolognese, or Bolognian spar. |

## 8. STRONTIAN GENUS.

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|-----------------|---------------------|
| 131. Strontian. | <i>a.</i> Fibrous.  |
| 132. Celestine. | <i>b.</i> Foliated. |

## 9. HALLITE GENUS.

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|----------------|----------------|
| 133. Boracite. | 134. Cryolite. |
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 CLASS SECOND.

## FOSSIL SALTS.

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>1.</i> Carbonats.         | <i>b.</i> Lake salt.       |
| 135. Natural soda or natron. | 138. Natural sal-ammoniac. |
| <i>2.</i> Nitrats.           | <i>4.</i> Sulphats.        |
| 136. Natural nitre.          | 139. Natural vitriol.      |
| <i>3.</i> Muriats.           | 140. Hair salt.            |
| 137. Natural rock salt.      | 141. Rock butter.          |
| <i>a.</i> Stone salt.        | 142. Natural Epsom salt.   |
| <i>a.</i> Foliated.          | 143. Natural Glauber salt. |
| <i>b.</i> Fibrous.           |                            |

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 CLASS THIRD.

## INFLAMMABLE FOSSILS.

## 1. SULPHUR GENUS.

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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 144. Natural sulphur. | <i>b.</i> Volcanic. |
| <i>a.</i> Common.     |                     |

## 2. BITUMINOUS



## 2. BITUMINOUS GENUS.

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 145. Mineral or fossil oil. | <i>d.</i> Common brown coal. |
| 146. Mineral pitch.         | <i>e.</i> Moor coal.         |
| <i>a.</i> Elastic.          | 148. Black coal.             |
| <i>b.</i> Earthy.           | <i>a.</i> Pitch coal.        |
| <i>c.</i> Slaggy.           | <i>b.</i> Columnar coal.     |
| 147. Brown coal.            | <i>c.</i> Slate coal.        |
| <i>a.</i> Bituminous wood.  | <i>d.</i> Cannel coal.       |
| <i>b.</i> Earth coal.       | <i>e.</i> Foliated coal.     |
| <i>c.</i> Alum earth.       | <i>f.</i> Coarse coal.       |

## 3. GRAPHITE GENUS.

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 149. Glance-coal.     | <i>a.</i> Scaly.       |
| <i>a.</i> Conchoidal. | <i>b.</i> Compact.     |
| <i>b.</i> Slaty.      | 151. Mineral charcoal. |
| 150. Graphite.        |                        |

## 4. RESIN GENUS.

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|------------------|-------------------|
| 152. Amber.      | <i>b.</i> Yellow. |
| <i>a.</i> White. | 153. Honey-stone. |

## FOURTH CLASS.

## METALLIC FOSSILS.

## 1. PLATINA GENUS.

154. Native platina.

## 2. GOLD GENUS.

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|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 155. Native gold.      | <i>b.</i> Brass yellow.   |
| <i>a.</i> Gold yellow. | <i>c.</i> Greyish yellow. |

## 3. MERCURY GENUS.

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 156. Native mercury.      | <i>a.</i> Compact.   |
| 157. Natural amalgam.     | <i>b.</i> Slaty.     |
| <i>a.</i> Semifluid.      | 160. Cinnabar.       |
| <i>b.</i> Solid.          | <i>a.</i> Dark red.  |
| 158. Mercurial horn-ore.  | <i>b.</i> Light red. |
| 159. Mercurial liver-ore. |                      |



## 4. SILVER GENUS.

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| 161. Native silver.          | 166. Silver-glance.         |
| <i>a.</i> Common.            | 167. Brittle silver-glance. |
| <i>b.</i> Auriferous.        | 168. Red silver-ore.        |
| 162. Antimonial silver.      | <i>a.</i> Dark.             |
| 163. Arsenical silver.       | <i>b.</i> Light.            |
| 164. Corneous silver-ore, or | 169. White silver-ore.      |
| horn-ore.                    | 170. Black silver-ore.      |
| 165. Silver-black.           |                             |

## 5. COPPER GENUS.

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| 171. Native copper.           | <i>a.</i> Earthy.                |
| 172. Copper-glance.           | <i>b.</i> Indurated or radiated. |
| <i>a.</i> Compact.            | 181. Malachite.                  |
| <i>b.</i> Foliated.           | <i>a.</i> Fibrous.               |
| 173. Variegated copper-ore.   | <i>b.</i> Compact.               |
| 174. Copper pyrites.          | 182. Copper green.               |
| 175. White copper-ore.        | 183. Ironshot copper green.      |
| 176. Fahl or grey copper-ore. | <i>a.</i> Earthy.                |
| 177. Copper black.            | <i>b.</i> Slaggy.                |
| 178. Red copper-ore.          | 184. Copper emerald.             |
| <i>a.</i> Compact.            | 185. Copper mica.                |
| <i>b.</i> Foliated.           | 186. Lenticular ore.             |
| <i>c.</i> Capillary.          | 187. Oliven-ore.                 |
| 179. Tile ore.                | 188. Muriat of copper, or cop-   |
| <i>a.</i> Earthy.             | per muriat.                      |
| <i>b.</i> Indurated.          |                                  |
| 180. Copper azure.            |                                  |

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| 189. Native iron.            | <i>a.</i> Red iron-froth.    |
| 190. Iron pyrites.           | <i>b.</i> Ochrey red iron-   |
| <i>a.</i> Common.            | stone.                       |
| <i>b.</i> Radiated.          | <i>c.</i> Compact.           |
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| <i>d.</i> Hair or capillary. | 195. Brown ironstone.        |
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| 192. Magnetic ironstone.     | <i>b.</i> Ochrey brown iron- |
| <i>a.</i> Common.            | stone.                       |
| <i>b.</i> Iron-sand.         | <i>c.</i> Compact.           |
| 193. Iron-glance.            | <i>d.</i> Brown hematite.    |
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| <i>β.</i> Foliated.          | <i>a.</i> Compact.           |
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| 149. Red ironstone.          | 198. Clay ironstone.         |
|                              | <i>a.</i> Reddle.            |



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 b. Columnar clay iron stone.  
 c. Lenticular clay iron stone.  
 d. Jaspery clay iron stone.  
 e. Common clay iron stone.  
 f. Reniform clay iron stone.
- g. Pea-ore, or pisiform ironstone.  
 199. Bog iron-ore.  
   a. Morafs-ore.  
   b. Swamp-ore.  
   c. Meadow-ore.  
 200. Blue iron-earth.  
 201. Pitchy iron-ore.  
 202. Gadolinite.  
 203. Green iron-earth.  
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## 7. LEAD GENUS.

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   a. Common.  
   b. Compact.  
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 207. Brown lead-ore.  
 208. Black lead-ore.  
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210. Green lead-ore.  
 211. Red lead-ore.  
 212. Yellow lead-ore.  
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 214. Lead-earth.  
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   b. friable.

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220. Bismuth-ochre.

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   a. Yellow.  
   b. Brown.
- c. Black.  
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 224. Grey antimony-ore.  
   a. Compact.  
   b. Foliated.  
   c. Radiated.
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 230. Grey cobalt ore.
231. Cobalt-glance.  
 232. Black cobalt ochre.  
   a. Earthy



- a.* Earthy.  
*b.* Indurated.  
 233. Brown cobalt-ochre.  
 234. Yellow cobalt-ochre.

235. Red cobalt-ochre.  
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*b.* cobalt bloom.

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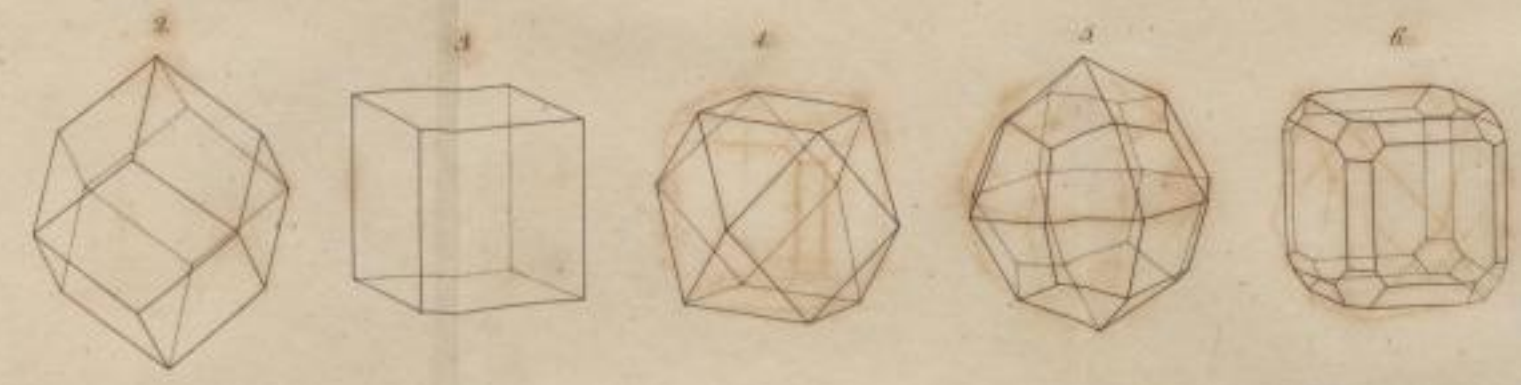
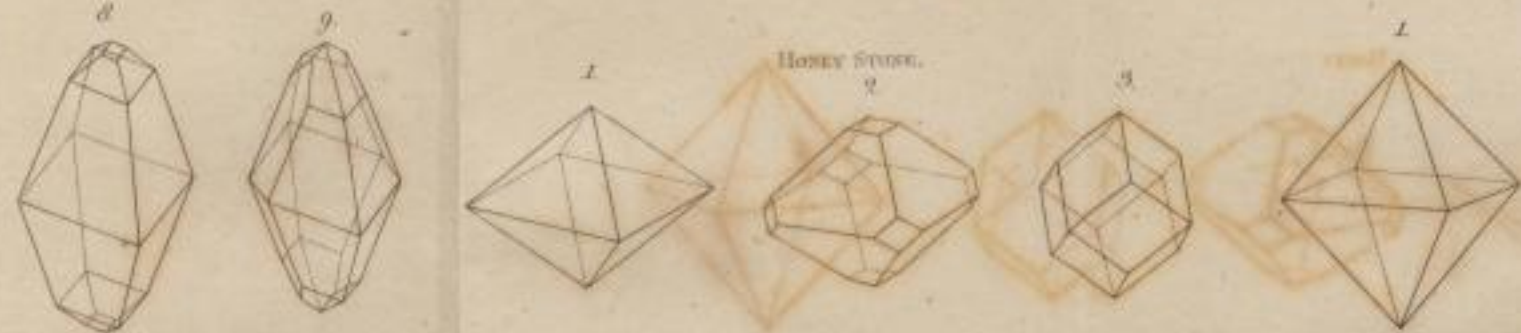
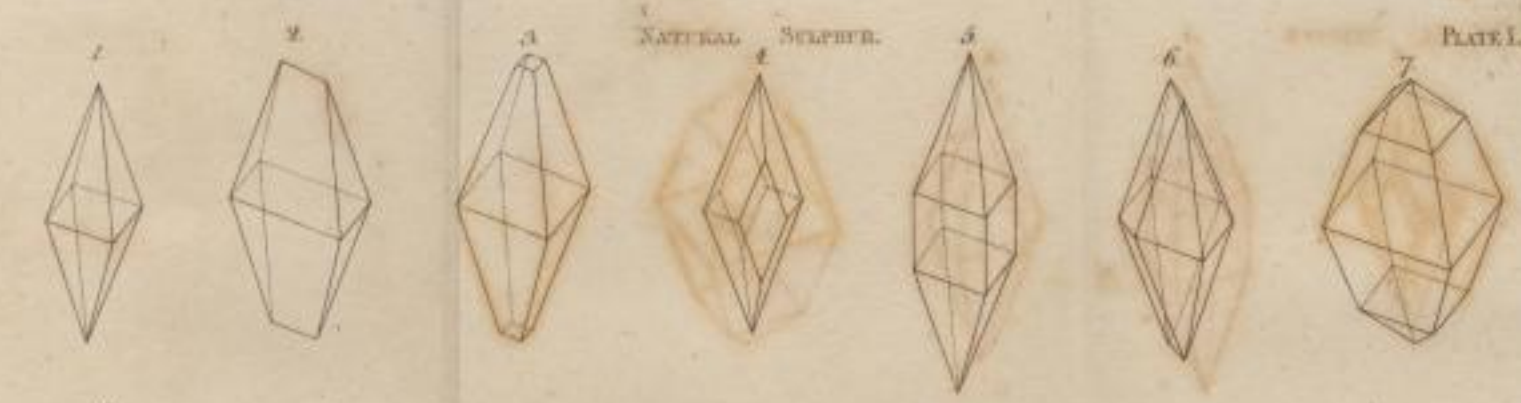
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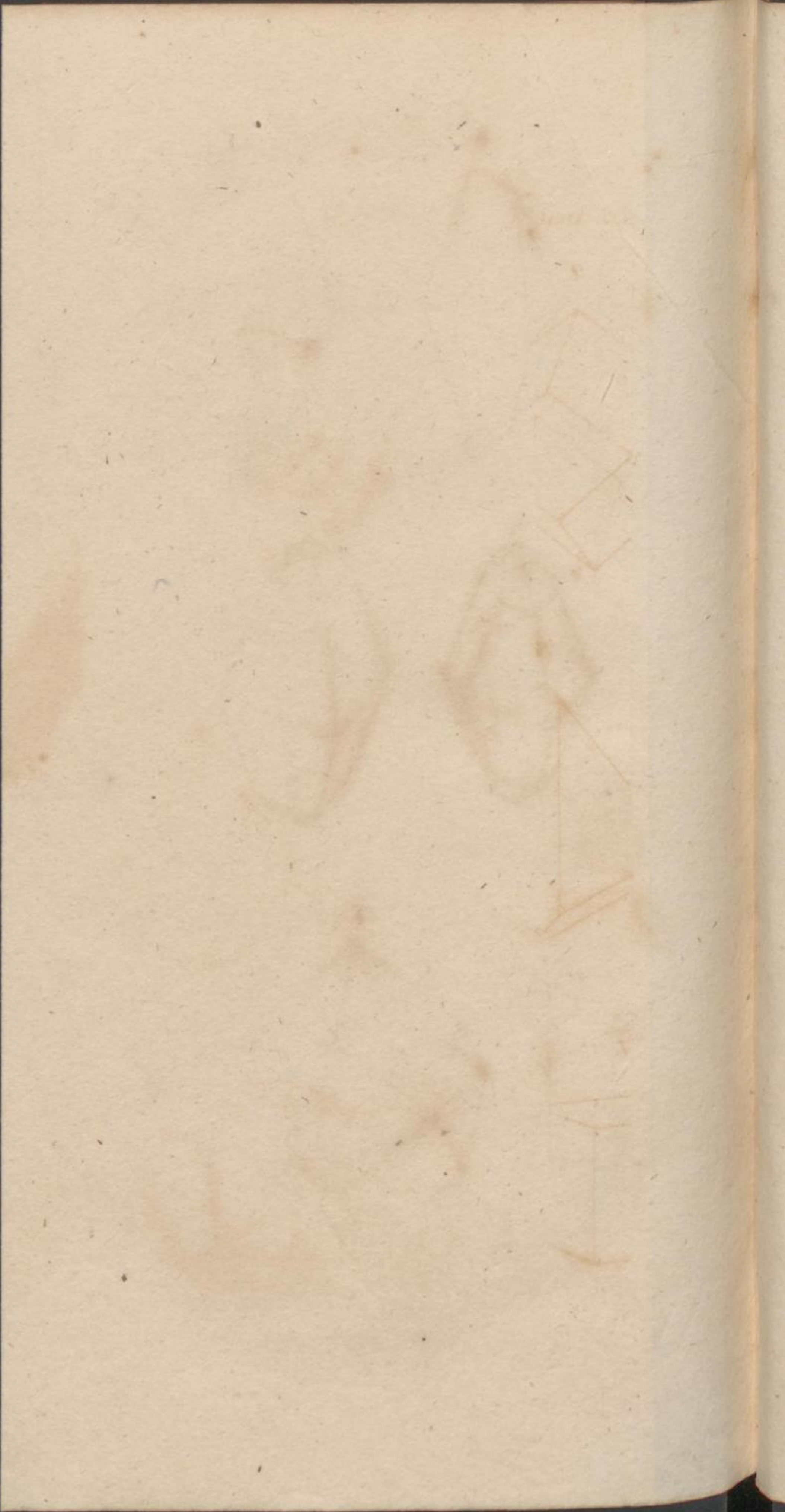
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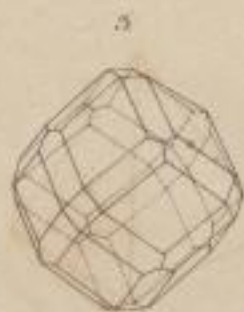








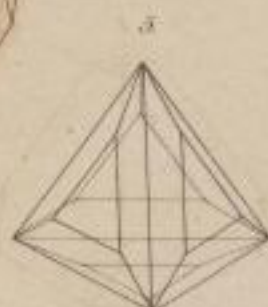
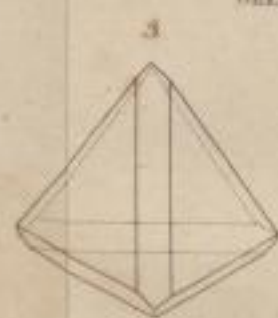
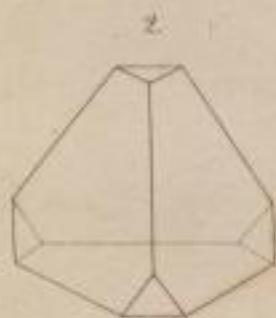
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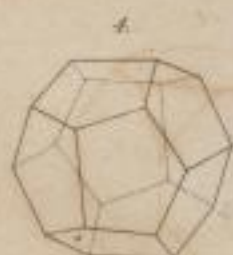
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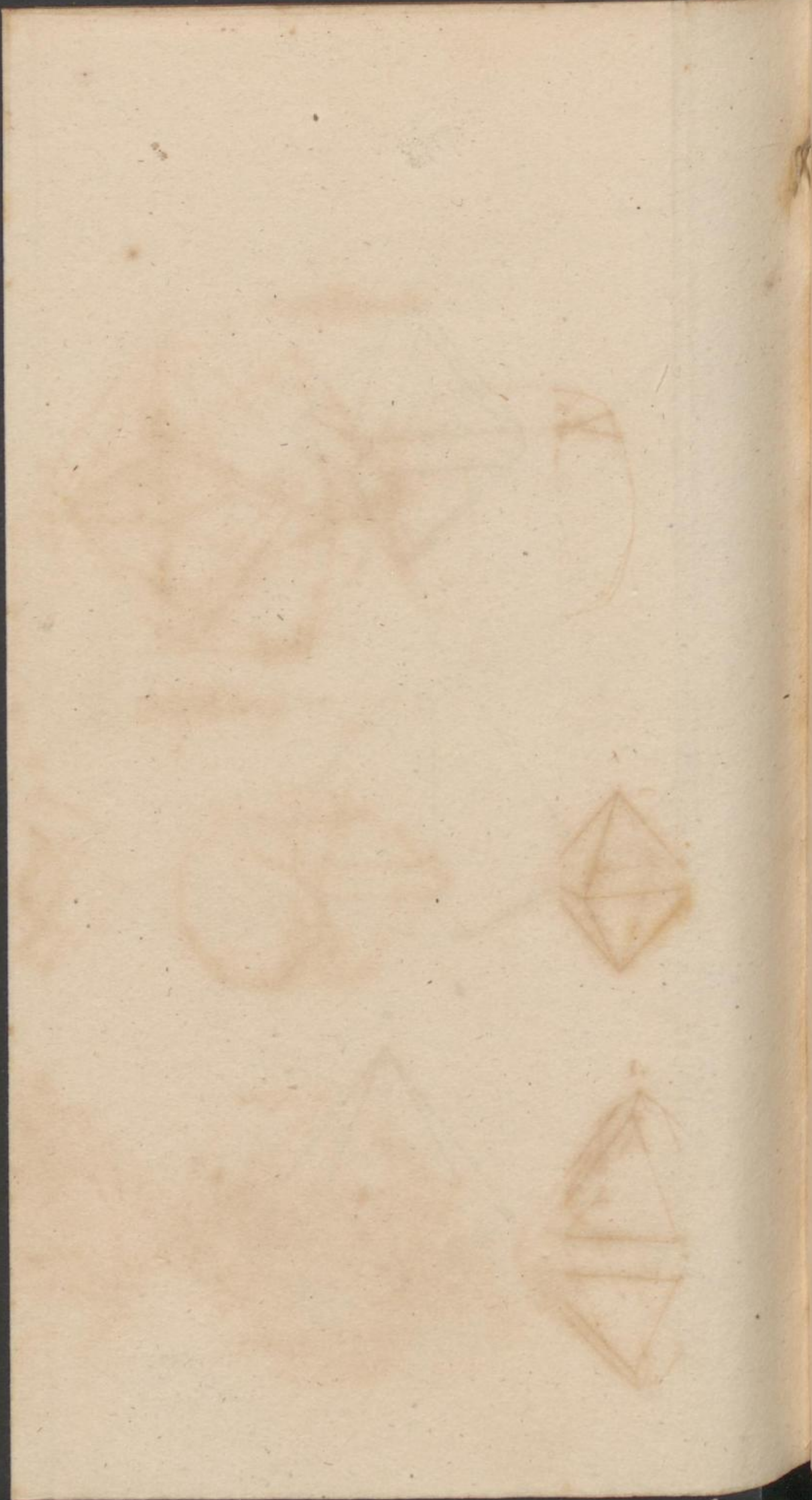
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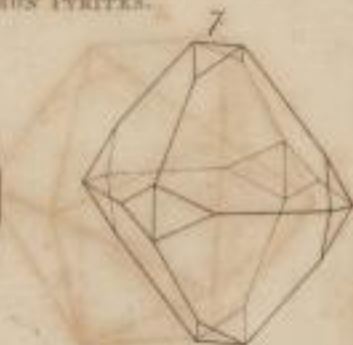
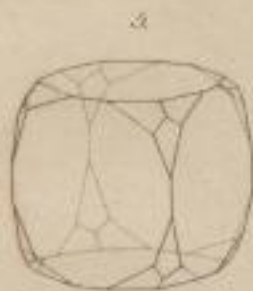








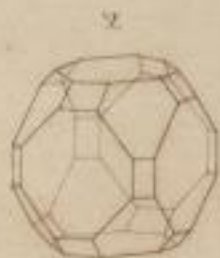
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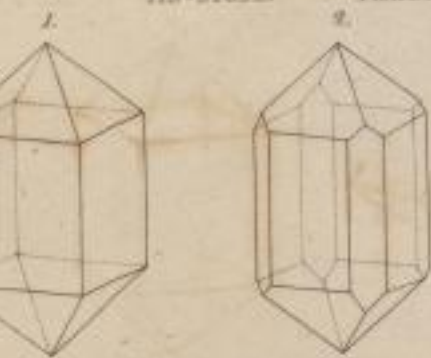




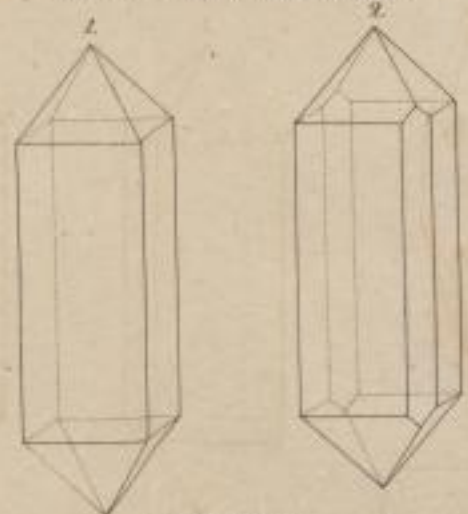




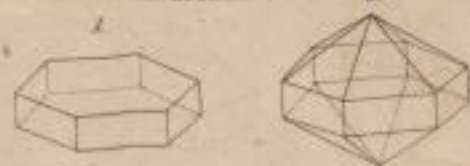
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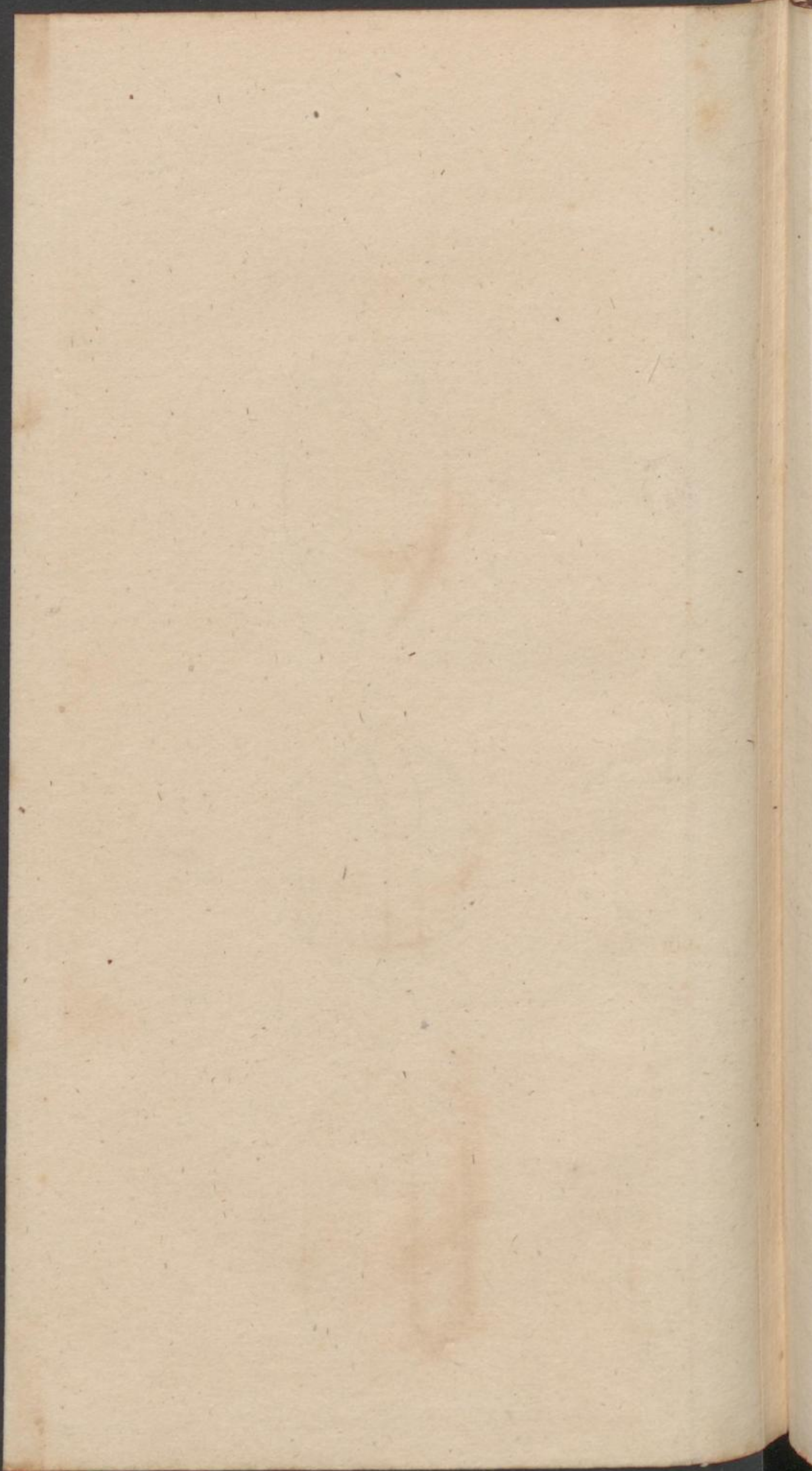
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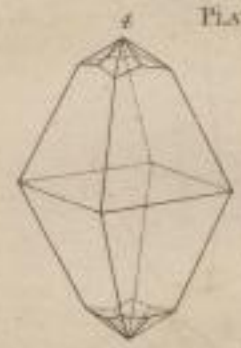
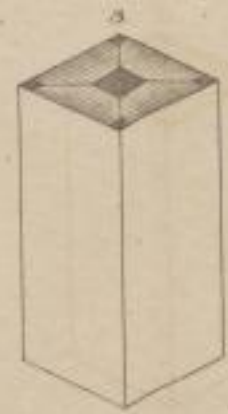
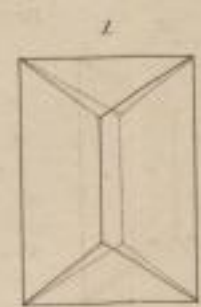
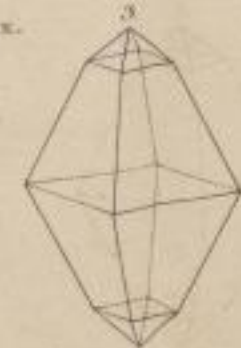
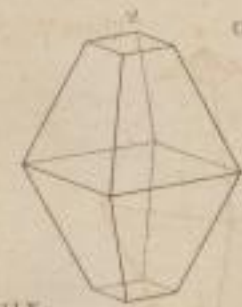
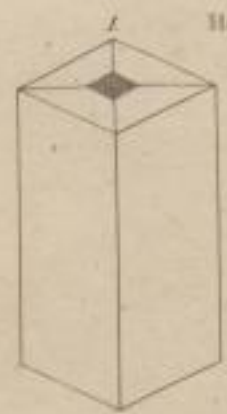
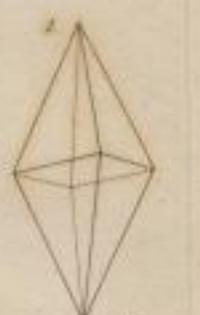
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