

IX. AZURESTONE FAMILY.

THIS Family contains the following species: Azurestone, Azurite, Hauyne, and Blue-Spar.

1. Azurestone.

Lasurstein, *Werner*.

Zeolithes particulis, &c. Lapis lazuli, *Wall.* t. ii. p. 326.—Lapis lazuli, *R. de L.* t. ii. p. 49.—Lazurstein, *Wid.* s. 371.—Lapis lazuli, *Kirw.* vol. i. p. 283.—Lapis lazuli, *Nap.* p. 241.—Lazulite, *Lam.* t. ii. p. 185.—La pierre d'azur, *Broch.* t. i. p. 313.—Lazulite, *Hauy*, t. iii. p. 145.—Lasurstein, *Reuss*, b. ii. s. 436. *Id. Lud.* b. i. s. 91. *Id. Suck.* 1^r th. s. 423. *Id. Bert.* s. 169. *Id. Mohs*, b. i. s. 387. *Id. Hab.* s. 25.—Lazulite, *Lucas*, p. 66.—Lasurstein, *Leonhard*, Tabel. s. 16.—Lazulite, *Brong.* t. i. p. 367. *Id. Brard*, p. 164.—Lasurstein, *Haus.* s. 94. *Id. Karst.* Tabel. s. 44.—Lapis lazuli, *Kid.* vol. i. p. 244.—Lazulite, *Hauy*, Tabl. p. 47.—Lasurstein, *Steffens*, b. i. s. 414. *Id. Hoff.* b. ii. s. 276. *Id. Lenz*, b. i. s. 475. *Id. Oken*, b. i. s. 355.

External Characters.

Its colour is azure-blue, of all degrees of intensity: the lighter varieties pass into Berlin-blue and smalt-blue; and the darker into blackish-blue. The white spots it sometimes contains, are probably owing to an intermixed mineral.

It is found massive, disseminated, in rolled pieces; and crystallised, in rhomboidal dodecahedrons.

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