

ferous bed, along with asbestos, steatite, calcareous-spar, rhomb-spar, and brown-spar: in veins along with ores of silver, calcareous-spar, and heavy-spar, at Kongsberg in Norway; in the silver mines of Johanngeorgenstadt in Saxony; at Falleyas in Spain, in beds along with meerschaum and talc; and in primitive rocks in Carinthia, Idria, France, &c.

Second Subspecies.

Amianthus, or Flexible Asbestus*.

Amiant, Werner.

Asbestinum Græcorum, *Plinius*, 19. 1.—Asbestus maturus, *Wall.* t. i. p. 410.; Amianthus, *Id.* p. 408.—Amianth, *Wid.* s. 464.—Amianthus, *Kirw.* vol. i. p. 161.—Amianth, *Estner*, b. ii. s. 368. *Id. Emm.* b. i. s. 402.—Amiantho, *Nap.* p. 316.—L'Amianth, *Lam.* t. ii. p. 365. *Id. Broch.* t. i. p. 494.—Asbest flexible, *Hauy*, t. iii. p. 245.—Biegsamer Asbest, *Reuss*, b. ii. 2. s. 243.—Amianth, *Lud.* b. i. s. 137.—Amianth-asbest, *Suck.* 1^r th. s. 265.—Amianth, *Bert.* s. 149. *Id. Mohs*, b. i. s. 569.—Amianth-asbest, *Hab.* s. 64.—Asbest flexible, *Lucas*, p. 81.—Biegsamer Asbest, *Leonhard*, Tabel. s. 30.—Asbest amianthe, *Brong.* t. i. p. 478.—Asbest flexible, *Brard*, p. 194.—Biegsamer Asbest, *Karst.* Tabel. s. 42.—Amianth, *Haus.* s. 99.—Loosely fibrous and flexible Amianthus, *Kid*, vol. i. p. 101.—Asbest flexible, *Hauy*, Tabl. p. 55.—Amiant, *Steffens*, b. i. s. 276. *Id. Lenz*, b. ii. s. 672.—Biegsamer Asbest, *Oken*, b. i. s. 325.

External Characters.

Its most common colour is greenish-white, of different degrees

* Amianthus, from *ἀμιάντος*, unstained, unsmeared, which refers to the property this substance possesses, of remaining unsmeared in the fire. It is also named Rock-flax and Rock-wool,