

CHAP. VI.

PROOFS, THAT THE SPACES WHICH VEINS NOW OCCUPY,
HAVE BEEN FILLED FROM ABOVE.

§ 62.

I NOW come to the consideration of the proofs of the second grand proposition of my theory ; namely, the following.

The mass of veins has been formed by a series of precipitations, which have filled in whole, or in part, the spaces now occupied by veins : these have entered by the superior parts of the rents which were open ; and have been furnished by a solution in water, generally chemical, which covered the country in which these rents then existed.

I shall adduce only three proofs in support of this proposition ; and they will, I think, be sufficient to establish it entirely.

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