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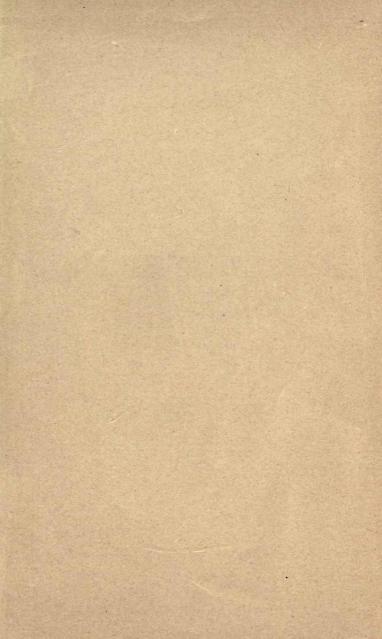
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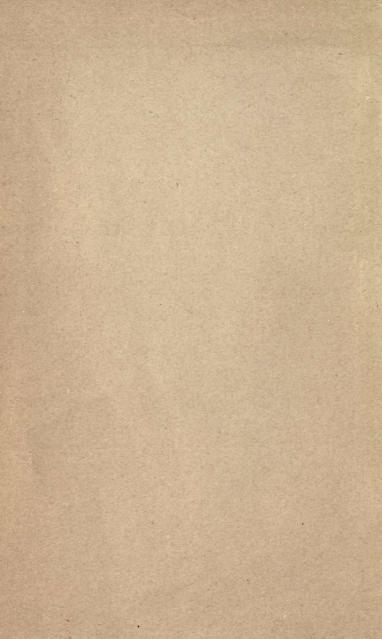
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The following Notes were contributed to a highclass technical journal some years ago by the late James Fairie, F.G.S., a painstaking and practical geologist. The literature of this subject is limited, and it is thought that, gathered in this booklet, they will be useful to those handling Lead Ores.

GENERAL



NOTES ON LEAD ORES

CHAPTER I

DEFINITIONS-PROPERTIES-OCCURRENCE

THE word "lead"—like many others—recalls very dissimilar ideas of the substance it represents to the minds of those who use it. The miner, who speaks of having found "lead," uses the word for the ores of that metal; the smelter, for both the ores and their metallic product in the form of "pigs" of lead; the plumber, for the metal itself, whether in pigs or the milled or rolled sheets so extensively employed in the plumbing trade; the painter, generally for the white carbonate of lead which, mixed with oil and various metallic oxides, constitute the pigments used by him in his handicraft or art; the house or ship-chandler, the colourman, and the drysalter, for the varied products of the oxides, largely sold by them as white, yellow, orange, and red lead; the glass manufacturer, for the purified sesqui-oxide or red lead—in the native form known as minium—which is largely employed

in the manufacture of flint glass; and the potter uses the word alike for the white carbonate and the red sesqui-oxide of the metal, ground and purified, both of which are extensively employed for lead glazes in the manufacture of earthenware.

Lead, in its metallic form, is a well-known and probably the most anciently known of all the metals, and familiar to everyone, chiefly as used by plumbers in house-building, and for gas and water pipes and various other household appliances, or in the form of bullets and shot. Its ores are of such universal occurrence as to be found in almost every country of the globe, as, next to iron, lead is the most abundantly diffused of all the metals. colour lead is bluish grey. It is very, and proverbially, heavy (vide Ex. xv. 10), its specific gravity being 11.4, or nearly 111 times that of water. It is the softest of all the durable metals -its hardness being only 1.5-so that it is easily marked by the nail and cut by a knife. It is flexible, but inelastic, and therefore not sonorous; its want of elasticity makes it useful for special purposes, as for deadening a shock or for preventing a rebound; ductile and extremely maleable, so that it can be hammered into very thin sheets, which, however, from insufficient tenacity, are easily torn or split, and, what is remarkable, it does not, like other metals, acquire increase of density by hammering or rolling; indeed, it is asserted that its specific gravity is even lessened by hammering. Its tenacity is small, a wire of it one-tenth of an inch in diameter breaking with a weight of less than 30 lbs., and it cannot be drawn into wire smaller than one-twelfth of an inch in diameter. and even to that size with difficulty-such a wire breaking with a weight of about 18 lbs. As to fusibility, it is very easily melted, more so than any other metal, except tin, its fusing point being so low as 594° Fahr.: some authorities put it at 612°, and others at 617°, however, and it may vary according to its purity. When melting and exposed to the air it shows a bright metallic lustre resembling that of mercury, but, owing to its strong affinity for oxygen, it absorbs it rapidly, and immediately tarnishes on surface, and is in a short time covered with a spongy oxide or dross; when removed from the fire it quickly solidifies again, and on this dross being scraped off, the metal acquires a slight, new coating of sub-oxide which is permanent and prevents further oxidation. If slowly cooled, it may be obtained in octahedral crystals. It is not volatile, at least in closed vessels, in which it can be heated to whiteness without subliming. At common temperatures and in dry air it tarnishes slowly, but in moist air or in water it soon becomes coated with a grey film - a hydrated sub-oxide - which, once formed, prevents further oxidation (as just mentioned), and thereby it is rendered durable when exposed to the atmosphere, and also safe for watersupply pipes and cisterns. When these are new, and before this coating of sub-oxide is formed on the surface of the lead, there is much risk of leadpoisoning by the use of water from them, and the purer the water the greater is the danger. Spring waters, which generally contain varying percentages of carbonates, sulphates, and other salts, do not corrode lead as pure water does. Lead has little taste, but when rubbed it yields a perceptible smell. While it does not soil the fingers, it makes a faint bluish black streak on paper.

Lead is found native, but is of rare occurrence and chiefly in lava and other volcanic rocks, in which it occurs as a product of fusion. It is prized merely as a mineral curiosity for the cabinets of mineralogists, and is of no practical value whatever. Commercially, lead is wholly obtained from its ores, which are numerous, and while varying much in appearance are all easily reduced; these occur in both igneous and sedimentary rocks and formations of all ages. In the British Isles, they occur sometimes in irregular deposits or pockets, but generally in veins in mica schist, clay-slate, gneiss, granite, and limestones—chiefly of the carboniferous formation. The most abundant and best known of its ores, and from which indeed nearly the whole of the metal is obtained, is galena, the protosulphide of lead, which is the representative of the lead-glance family. Of lead salts there are no less than twenty-seven species, which, however, are of comparatively little importance commercially, but are of great mineralogical interest and often occur associated with varieties of lead-glance in more or less definite crystallised forms. Of the various ores, besides galena, but a few are worked — viz. the carbonate, phosphate, sulphate, arseniate, chromate, molybdate, of lead, and its oxides, of which there are four, viz. the sub-oxide, known as litharge; the protoxide, called massicot; the sesqui-oxide minium, or red lead ore; and the peroxide, occurring as an insoluble brown powder. With the exception of galena, a few of these ores are found in sufficient quantity to be smelted alone for the lead they contain.

Lead is speedily oxidised when melted in open vessels, and passes into a grey powder, the litharge, which, by further exposure to heat and air, becomes yellow, and is then massicot, or yellow protoxide of lead. By heating this and stirring it to prevent fusion, it gradually absorbs further oxygen, and acquiring a red colour, becomes red lead—the sesqui-oxide occurring native as minium. This red lead heated in nitric acid is partly converted into the brown insoluble powder which is the peroxide of lead. By treating these oxides with carbonic or acetate acid, white lead, the carbonate of lead, is obtained, and also acetate of lead, commonly called "sugar of lead," both of which are extensively used in manufactures and in the arts, and also in pharmacy.

Of the ores of lead—which are all very heavy, and are white, green, brown, yellow, or blue in colour—galena (from the Greek word galeos, to shine) is, as has been already stated, the most abundant; in fact it may, commercially speaking, be called the ore of lead, as it is the one from which

nearly the whole supply of the metal, both at home and abroad, is obtained. One or two of the others—especially ceruse, the native white carbonate of lead—are often found associated with it, but seldom in sufficient quantity to be smelted by themselves. Galena is the proto-sulphide of lead, PbS, its composition, when pure, being: lead, 86.6; sulphur, 13.4 = 100. Silver and other metals are frequently present, as shown in the following analysis, quoted by Bristow, Mott, and others, viz.:—

Lead						80.700
Sulphur					1.	12.840
Antimony	7					3.307
Iron						1.377
Copper						0.440
						0.024
Silver						0.325
						99.013

Alumina and silica are also sometimes present in small percentages.

The colour of galena is lead or bluish grey, and from its brilliant metallic lustre, resembling that of fresh-cut metallic lead, it has been called lead-glance. Streak rather more shining than the surface of fracture. In some varieties the colour inclines to blackish lead-grey. When exposed to the action of carbonic acid in rain-water its surface is frequently found tarnished with a beautiful iridescent lustre. It is opaque; structure, lamellar; cleavage highly perfect and easily obtained; sectile, frangible, and easily pulverised, but not malleable;

hardness, 2.5 to 2.75; specific gravity, 7.25 to 7.70; B.B., it decrepitates, then melts, and emits a sulphurous odour, and when the sulphur is driven off it yields a globule of lead, from which a grain of silver may be obtained by cupellation. All lead contains a greater or less percentage of silver, varying from two or three to twenty or thirty, and even to as much as 120 ounces in the ton of lead; indeed, it has sometimes been found so rich in silver as to be worked as an ore of that metal. By Pattison's and the more recent improved zinc process it is profitable to extract the silver from lead yielding even so little as two or three ounces to the ton, and its extraction besides has the great advantage of making the lead itself less hard and brittle. It melts easily, and is melted in common reverberatory furnaces which admit of free exposure to the air during the process. It is soon brought to a red heat, by which the sulphur is driven off, and the lead ran off into moulds called "pigs." Galena occurs crystallised in cubes, in regular octahedrons, and in several of their modifications and varieties; and in combinations of these with the planes of other figures. Very large crystals of it have been found in the Laxey and Foxdale Mines in the Isle of Man-occasionally as much as 10 inches in diameter. It occurs also in amorphous masses with a largely curved lamellar structure; frequently granular, especially when rich in silver, and sometimes striated, when it is generally found to contain antimony; sometimes almost compact,

yielding a flat conchoidal fracture with little lustre. It is very widely distributed in most countries of the globe, and occurs both in beds and irregular deposits, and in veins of considerable extent and thickness, chiefly in clay-slate and granitic rocks, and in carboniferous limestone. It is abundant in Derbyshire and Cumberland, Yorkshire and Durham, Devonshire and Cornwall, in England; in Flintshire and many localities in Wales; and occurs in Lanarkshire and Dumfriesshire. Fifeshire and elsewhere in Scotland; and extensively in many localities in Ireland; in Spain, Portugal, Hungary, Saxony, and elsewhere in Europe; in Siberia, Algeria, Cape Colony, and Australia; and very abundantly and extensively in many parts of the United States, especially in Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, and Wisconsin. The lead region of Wisconsin alone is stated by D. D. Owen to extend eightyseven miles from east to west, and fifty-four miles from north to south, within which immense area there is scarcely a square mile in which traces of lead ores—chiefly galena—may not be found; and although the pits are seldom sunk deeper than 25 or 30 feet, as much as 1335 tons of ore have been raised from a single spot not more than five vards square.

CHAPTER II

GALENA—CERUSSITE—MINIUM—WHITE AND RED LEADS

THERE is a variety of galena called "blue lead," which is pseudamorphous, after pyromorphite. It is found massive, and also in long, irregular, hexagonal prisms, which are superficially dull and rough. Colour, between lead-grey and indigo-blue; soft, sectile, and easily frangible; S.G., 5.4. It occurs in Cornwall in Herodsfoot's Mine, near Liskeard; also in Huel Hope. The ore from the latter ignites when held in the flame of a candle. This ore is found also in Saxony and France. Its composition is similar to that of ordinary galena.

In former times any largely foliated or cubical pure galena, occurring in a state that it could be hand-picked, and not requiring to be sent through the crushing mill, was called by the miners potters' ore. It was ground into a fine powder, which was dusted on the "paste" or body of such wares as were only fired once, or were not to be fired at the high temperature which biscuit ware generally requires, and which, by the melting of the powdered galena in the

kilns, were thus glazed. This process is not now resorted to.

There is a species of specular galena found chiefly in the lead mines of Derbyshire, and called locally slickensides ore. It is so called from its smooth, sometimes slightly furrowed, and polished appearance, resembling that of the "slickensides" in mines, which is produced by the friction that occurs in the faulting of strata in the two faces of the faults. This ore is apt to explode when struck by the miners' picks. It occurs also in some of the Devonshire lead mines, but is of no commercial importance.

Johnstonite is another variety of sulphide of lead. It is a fine granular supersulphide, and appears to be a mechanical mixture of galena and a sulphate of lead (anglesite) and sulphur. It occurs in the mines of New Sinka, in Transylvania, from which is has been called sinkanite; but having been first found at Dufton, and described by Johnstone, it was named after him by Haidinger. It occurs massive. Opaque. Colour, bluish. Lustre, metallic. H., 3; S.G., 6.7; B.B.; on charcoal burns with a blue flame, decrepitates, then melts, and leaves a globule of lead. When heated in a glass tube part of the sulphur sublimes and leaves common galena. Its composition is: galena, 98.21; sulphur, 1.79 = 100. Localities: Dufton, in Westmorland; Alston, in Cumberland; Cromford, in Derbyshire; and Glen Malure, Co. Wicklow, Ireland.

Cerussite.—Of the numerous ores of lead, cerussite, or white lead ore, is one of the most beautiful, and, next to galena, the most abundant. It occurs associated with that ore in beds, but more generally in veins, in almost every locality where galena is found, and is supposed to be a product of its decomposition—the liberated sulphuric acid of that sulphide acting on the calcspar in the vein matrix, and the carbonic acid of the spar combining with the ore to form cerussite, which is a mono-carbonate of lead; its composition being: protoxide of lead, 83.58; carbonic acid, 16.42 = 100. It is found in several beautifully crystallised forms, usually prismatic, and frequently of great delicacy; in hexagonal prisms, variously terminated; and in tabular and macled crystals. Some of its crystals are highly prized by mineralogists. Magnificent tabular crystals of it have been found at Logylas, in Cardiganshire. There is a beautiful acicular variety, the needles being either detached or united in very brilliant pearly groups. This occurs in exceedingly delicate, and often very tender snow-white crystals in Pentire Glaze Mine, and in that of St. Minver, Cornwall. There is also a columnar variety in which the prisms are striated and cross each other in all directions. Very fine crystals of it have been found at Leadhills and Wanlockhead, in Scotland, as well as in many of the richer mines in various English and Welsh counties; in heart-shaped macles at Seven Churches, Co. Wicklow, Ireland; also in the Sark Mines of the Channel Islands. Very beautiful

crystals also are found in the lead mines of Saxony, and in many other European and foreign mines; but probably the finest of all are from the mines of Gazimour, in Daouria, Siberia. Cerussite occurs also granular; earthy; massive and compact, rarely fibrous; sometimes in powder. One massive compact variety, of a yellowish colour, has a shining, greasy-looking fracture, and effervesces strongly in nitric acid. Cerussite is a very rich ore, yielding from 77 to 80 per cent. of lead; but although of so common occurrence it is - with the exceptions of the mines near Aix-la-Chapelle, Prussia, and in the neighbourhood of Santander, in Spain, where it is worked to some extent -- seldom found in any quantity, and is therefore not of commercial importance, or of much interest to metallurgists or smelters. Its colour is sometimes of a brilliant white, passing ofttimes into greyish or yellowish white; sometimes smoke-grey, or greyish black. It is occasionally found tinged blue or green by salts of copper. Lustre, sometimes metallic; greasy; at times pearly; resinous on fractured surfaces, adamantine on cleavage planes. Translucent to transparent: when the latter, it is doubly refractive in a high degree. Fracture, generally small conchoidal: H., 3 to 3.5; S.G., 6.46 to 6.48; B.B., it decrepitates and becomes first red, then yellow, and lastly melts into a globule of metallic lead — the charcoal being covered with yellow fumes. It dissolves readily in dilute nitric acid. Its powder thrown on hot coals emits a phosphorescent light. The following is an analysis of cerussite from Leadhills, N.B., viz.:—

Lead .							77:0
Oxygen							5.0
Carbonic	acid			0.00		 ,	16.0
Water.		4.4	4.		1		2.0
							100.0

Céruse is the French name for "white lead" the hydrated carbonate, manufactured by the corrosion of metallic lead by acetate acid (vinegar). The process is a simple, although a prolonged one, but space forbids a detailed description of it in this chapter. Suffice it to say, that plates or coils of the metal are placed in enclosed chambers under alternate layers of spent tan, in pots containing the acetate acid interspersed between them. When the chamber is closed the tan ferments, and the temperature rising to 150° Fahr. the acetate acid slowly volatilises, and its vapour, mixing with the oxygen, carbonic acid, and moisture of the air, attacks the lead and gives rise to various chemical changes. First, there is formed an oxide, then a sub-acetate, and finally the ceruse, a dense white hydrated carbonate of the metal. The process is continued till most of the metal is corroded on both sides—leaving an uncorroded centre or core, which is again melted for subsequent corrosion. By passing the whole under rollers the carbonate is separated from the uncorroded metal in the form of snow-white flakes or scales. These are then ground in water and reduced by subsequent processes into a dry white powder, known commercially as white lead. It is largely used for glazes by earthenware manufacturers, and also, mixed with linseed oil, is very extensively used for house-painting, 8 lbs. of the oil being added to 1 cwt. of the white lead.

Minium, or red lead ore, is one of the oxides of lead occurring native, but which, like cerussite, is very extensively obtained artificially. It is not a very common ore, and, like the latter, being generally found associated with galena, is also probably a product of the decomposition of that ore. It occurs amorphous and pulverulent, exhibiting under the microscope a crystalline structure. Colour, bright red; lustre, feeble; opaque; streak, orange-yellow; H., 2.5; S.G., 4.6. Composition: lead, 90.7; oxygen, 9.3 = 100. B.B., on charcoal it is first converted into litharge and becomes vellow, and then is reduced to metallic lead. It occurs in the Pary's Mine in Anglesea; Snailbeach Mine, Shropshire; at Alston Moor Mines, Cumberland; Grassington Moor, Yorkshire; and at Weardale, Durham. In Scotland, at Leadhills, Lanarkshire. In Ireland, at Lugganure, Co. Wicklow; and in various foreign localities.

Red lead is obtained artificially by exposing litharge for a long time to the action of the air at a temperature of 570° Fahr., by which it is changed from a protoxide to the red oxide known commercially as red lead. It is very extensively used

as a paint or pigment. Being much used as a substitute for vermilion, its value depends greatly on its brilliancy, which depends to a considerable extent both upon its purity, and also the temperature to which it is subjected. The best quality (called *orange mine*) is made from the carbonate of lead, instead of from *litharge*, and at a higher temperature.

Red lead is also extensively employed by glass manufacturers in making flint glass, for which purpose it is essential that it is obtained free from impurities, such as copper or iron, otherwise the glass will have a yellow or green tinge. Like ceruse, it is also largely employed for glazes by eartherware manufacturers.

CHAPTER III

PYROMORPHITE—MIMETENE—WULFENITE—VANADINITE

MINIUM, the red oxide—or, more correctly, the artificially made and purified preparation of red lead-and ceruse, the white hydrated carbonate of lead, are alike powerful fluxes of the ingredients with which they are mixed, and which they make more fusible both for the manufacture of flint glass and for the making of glazes for earthenware—hence their great value for both purposes. In the case of the former the red lead also imparts peculiar brilliancy and lustre to the glass. The red lead made from litharge differs somewhat in its properties from that which is made, as it is in some places, directly from the calcination of metallic lead, and it is said that flint glass manufacturers consider the litharge red lead inferior in fluxing power to that made from the metal. Red lead varies in colour according to the heat to which it is subjected in calcination. During the process it increases in weight, probably by the absorption of oxygen from the atmosphere. It may be mentioned here, that red lead can

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be easily reduced by a simple process into metallic lead.

Pyromorphite is a phosphate, or, when it contains chlorine, which it frequently does, it is a chloro - phosphate of lead. This ore is neither a common one, nor found in any great quantity; but when it is got in sufficient quantity it is utilised by being carefully roasted with charcoal. It generally occurs in veins in primitive strata, accompanying other lead ores, especially galena, and in various forms, massive, globular, botryoidal, reniform, and frequently crystallised in regular six-sided prisms, truncated, or with six-sided pyramidal terminations. Colour, generally of various shades of green, yellow, and brown, also reddish, and sometimes dirty violet; but whatever its colour, its powder is always grey. Fine orange-yellow crystals of it have been found at Leadhills, N.B., containing oxide of chrome, to which that colour is owing. Streak, white, sometimes inclining to yellow. Fracture, vitreous, imperfect conchoidal, uneven, and dull. Semi-transparent to translucent on the edges. Lustre, resinous. Brittle. H., 2.75 to 4.0; S.G., 6.58 to 7.0; B.B., melts easily by itself on charcoal, and with carbonate of soda yields metallic lead; on cooling, solidifies with vivid incandescence to an angular polyhedral form of a dark colour, and at the moment of crystallisation becomes luminous—hence its name from Greek words signifying fire-form. It dissolves

without effervescence in hot nitric acid, giving turbidity with nitrate of silver. The following is an analysis of it from Zschopau, in Saxony, viz.:—

Oxide of lead				82.29
Phosphoric acid.				15.73
Chloric				1.98
Peroxide of iron.				trace
				100.00

In England, pyromorphite occurs in Cornwall, Devonshire, Derbyshire, and Cumberland. In Scotland, in the Strontian Mines, Argyllshire, and at Leadhills, Lanarkshire. In Ireland, in the Glenmalure Mine, Co. Wicklow, and in Lord Londonderry's park, Co. Derry. In foreign countries it occurs chiefly in Saxony, Bohemia, the Harz, Brittany, Siberia, and Mexico.

Mimetene is an arseniate of lead ore, so named from a Greek word signifying "imitator," from its resemblance to pyromorphite, with which it often occurs mixed in varying proportions, and has, owing probably to being isomorphous with it, been sometimes confounded with that ore; its composition, however, is essentially different, containing, as it does, a considerable proportion of arsenic acid.

This is rather a rare ore, and is interesting specially to mineralogists from the remarkable beauty of some of its crystalline forms and the richness of their colouring. It ought also, how-

ever, to be so to flint-glass manufacturers, as, when used as an ingredient, it imparts a peculiar brilliancy to the glass. It is found in lead mines associated with other salts of lead, and occurs in regular six-sided prisms, either perfect, or with the terminal edges replaced, and of various shades of yellow, passing into hyacinth and aurora-red, sometimes very brilliant. The crystals are semitransparent and occasionally finely grouped. It occurs also compact, fibrous, reniform, mammillated, filamentous, and capillary. Colour (otherwise than in crystals as above mentioned), various tints of vellow passing into brown. Lustre, resinous. Translucent usually, but occasionally transparent, when it is harder. Texture, foliated. Streak, white, or nearly so. Sectile. Brittle. Fracture, imperfect conchoidal, or uneven. H., 3.5 to 4.0; S.G., 6.41 to 7.25; B.B., on charcoal emits abundant arsenical vapours; fuses with difficulty, and yields a globule of metallic lead. Dissolves readily in nitric acid, especially if heated. The following is an analysis of it from Johanngeorgenstadt, in Saxony, viz .:-

Protoxide of lead				75.03
Arsenic acid .				21.09
Phosphoric acid.				1.32
Chloric acid .				2.56
				100.00

In England, mimetene occurs in the Huel Unity Lead Mine, near Redruth, Cornwall, in thick, light brown translucent crystals; in various lead mines in Devonshire; in Cumberland, on Caldbeck Fells, where it has been found in fine wax-yellow crystals in the Roughton Gill Mine and in the Dry Gill Mine, where it was formerly worked for the supply of flint-glass manufacturers.

It occurs also in lead mines in Durham, and at Grassiton, Yorkshire. At Leadhill Mines in Scotland many beautiful and brilliantly coloured crystals of it were formerly obtained. In foreign mines it is found in fine yellow crystals at Johanngeorgenstadt, in Saxony; in capillary crystals at St. Prix, department of the Saone, in France; also at Zinwald, Badenweiller; and at Nerchinsk, in Siberia.

Hediphane is a whitish variety of mimetene, and is a chloro-arseniate of lead containing phosphates and arseniates of lime; but it is of no importance, and found only at Longbanshytta, in Sweden. Kampylite is another variety, named from the barrel-shaped form of its crystals. It was formerly found in large quantities in the Dry Gill Lead Mine on Caldbeck Fells, Cumberland, but that mine has not been worked for some time now. It occurred there in crystallised masses of various colours, yellowish to brown and brownish red.

Crocoise or crocoisite is a chromate of lead, and is sometimes, from its colour, called "red lead ore," although that name is generally restricted to minium. This is also a very beautiful ore, and it is an exceedingly rare one. It was first discovered

in the gold mines of Berezoff, in Siberia, in a vein traversing decomposed gneiss and mica slate; but it is now but seldom found in these mines. It occurs crystallised in very distinct rhombic prisms; also in four - sided prisms striated longitudinally and with terminal pyramids; also massive. Structure, foliated; cross fracture uneven, or small conchoidal. Colour, various tints of hyacinth - red and splendid scarlet, but in powder always yellow. Streak, orange-yellow. It is used as a pigment, but the colour changes with exposure, and is not permanent. Translucent, with strong refracting power. Lustre, adamantine. Sectile. H., 2.5 to 3.8; S.G., 5.9 to 6.6; B.B., decrepitates when quickly heated, becoming darker or black. It may be fused to a black shining slag containing globules of metallic lead; gives a green colour to glass of borax; dissolves without effervescence in nitric acid. yielding a yellow solution. Composition from 64 to 68 per cent. of oxide of lead, the rest being chromic acid. An analysis by Berzelius gives oxide of lead, 68.5; chromic acid, 31.5 = 100.0. Crocoise occurs in very few localities in addition to the Berezoff Mines already mentioned. It occurs in fine crystals in decomposed granite at Conglionas do Campo and Villa Rica, in Brazil; at Rez Canza, in Hungary; in the Bannat; and in Luzon, one of the Philippine Islands.

Wulfenite, or "yellow lead ore," is a molybdate

of lead, named after the Austrian metallurgist Wulfen. It is of rare occurrence, except in crystalline forms, and is not found in sufficient quantity to be of commercial importance. It occurs in flattish octahedral or square prisms variously modified; in flat and in acute four, six, and eight-sided prisms terminated by foursided pyramids; and in tabular octagonal crystals. Also massive—granular. Colour, dirty Isabella yellow, wax-yellow, passing into siskin-green, olivegreen, brown, orange-yellow, yellowish grey, and grevish white, rarely aurora-red. Streak, white. Lustre, waxy or adamantine. Structure, lamellar. Fracture, imperfect conchoidal, or uneven. Semitransparent to translucent on the edges. Soft. Brittle. H., 2.75 to 3.0; S.G., 5.7 to 6.9; B.B., decrepitates briskly and assumes a darker colour, which, however, disappears on cooling. Alone, or with carbonate of soda, it dissolves upon charcoal, and is absorbed by it, leaving globules of metallic lead. With borax fuses readily into an almost colourless glass. When the proportion of molybdic acid is small, the glass is green; when larger, the glass is black and opaque. Dissolves in heated nitric acid with separation of yellowish white nitrate of molybdic acid. Soluble in caustic potash; insoluble in water. Composition, 60 to 64 per cent. of protoxide of lead, the rest being molybdic acid; or, as given by another authority, protoxide of lead, 60.87; molybdic acid, 39.13 = 100.0. The following is an analysis of an impure

wulfenite by Hatchett, quoted by Professor Thomson, but its locality is not given, viz.:—

Protoxide of lea	d	. "			58.40
Molybdie acid					37.00
Oxide of iron					3.08
Silica					0.28
Loss					1.24
					100.00

Wulfenite has been found in the British Isles at Mendip, in Somersetshire. It occurs, however, in many of the lead mines in Carinthia; also in Hungary; Moldawa, in the Bannat (in red crystals resembling chromate of lead); in Austria, the Tyrol, Baden, Saxony, Dauphiny, Zimapan in Mexico, Massachusetts and Philadelphia, U.S.

Vanadinite is a vanadiate of lead. It was discovered at Zimapan, in Mexico, and was first analysed by M. del Rio in 1804. It occurs but in few localities. About 1830 it was found at Wanlockhead, in Dumfriesshire, and shortly afterwards Professor Thomson received specimens of it from Mr. Doran, a well-known Irish mineral dealer, who had found them in an old abandoned mine in Co. Wicklow. It occurs in small spheres interspersed through massive phosphates and arseniates of lead; also in small indistinct six-sided prisms. Colour, varying from straw-yellow to reddish brown. Streak, white or yellowish. Opaque. Dull. Fracture, flat conchoidal. Lustre, resinous on fractured surfaces. Brittle. H., 2·75 to 3·0;

S.G., 6.66 to 7.23. Composition, vanadiate of lead, 90.22; chloride of lead, 9.78 = 100.00. B.B., decrepitates strongly, and on charcoal fuses to a globule which yields metallic lead with emission of sparks, and the formation of a yellow film on the charcoal. Dissolves easily in nitric acid, and nitrate of silver throws down a large quantity of chloride of silver from the solution. The following is an analysis of it from Wanlockhead, viz.:—

Oxide of lead				66.33
Vanadic acid				23.44
Muriatic acid				2.45
Lead and loss				7.78
				100.00

Vanadinite occurs at Wanlockhead Mine, Dumfriesshire, N.B., on common and cupreous calamine. In foreign mines at Beresowsk, in Siberia, associated with phosphate of lead; at Zimapan, in Mexico, and the Zanchen, in S.E. Carinthia.

CHAPTER IV

PLUMBIC OCHRE—ANGLESITE—CALEDONITE—LINARITE

BLEIGLÄTTE, or plumbic ochre, is a protoxide of lead which occurs massive. Its existence as a separate species was first pointed out by Smithson, and it has been analysed and described by Dr. John. Geralt states that it is found among the products of the volcanoes of Popocatapell and Iztaccituell in Mexico. Colour, intermediate between sulphur and lemon-yellow. Streak, lighter. Opaque. Lustre, dull externally, but internally semi-metallic. Semi-hard. Brittle. Easily frangible. Does not soil. S.G., 8.0; B.B., on charcoal fuses readily, and is reduced to metallic lead. The following analysis of it is given by Dr. John, viz.:—

Protoxide of lead		93.27
Carbonic acid		3.84
Silicic acid		2.40
Protoxide of iron and lime		0.48
Protoxide of copper		trace
Loss		0.01
	-	
	1	100.00

This ore has not been found in the British Isles. Its only known locality, besides those above mentioned in Mexico, is at Badenweiller, in Baden.

Anglesite, a sulphate of lead, is derived from the decomposition of galena. It occurs crystallised in rhombic prisms of foliated structure with dihedral terminations, but when short the crystals assume the general form of the octahedron. It also occurs massive in lead and copper veins traversing clayslate and greywacke. Colours, yellowish, greyish, or greenish white, also yellowish and smoke-grey, and frequently tinged green or blue by oxide of copper. Streak, white. Lustre, adamantine, inclining to vitreous or resinous. Transparent to translucent. Very brittle, and yields to the nail. Fracture, conchoidal. H., 2.75 to 3.0; S.G., 6.2 to 6.3; B.B., fuses into a white slag, which is reduced to metallic lead by the addition of carbonate of soda. Decrepitates in the flame of a candle, and frequently assumes a slightly reddish tinge on the surface. It was first observed as a distinct species at Pary's Mine in Anglesea, whence its name. The following is an analysis of it from that mine, viz.:-

Oxide of lead					71.0
Sulphuric acid			100		24.8
Peroxide of iron					1.0
Water .					2.0
Loss			• •		1.2
		4			100:0

It occurs in brilliant crystals at Rent Tor, near

Wirksworth; in small yellow crystals at Cromford, in Derbyshire; and at the Mexico Mine near Hesket Newmarket, in Cumberland. Large and beautiful crystals of it have been found both at Leadhills, in Lanarkshire, and at Wanlockhead, in Dumfriesshire, N.B.; and abroad, small but extremely perfect transparent crystals of it have been obtained from Fondon, in Granada.

Caledonite, a cupreous sulphato-carbonate of lead, was so named by Beudant from its being first found at Leadhills, in Scotland (Caledonia). It occurs in long, right rhombic prismatic crystals, and in acicular tufts of very minute crystals, radiating from their common point of attachment to the matrix. Colours, fine verdigris or bluish green, inclining to mountain-green in the more delicate crystals. Streak, greenish white. Transparent to translucent. Lustre, resinous. Rather brittle. Fracture, uneven. H., 2.5 to 3.0; S.G., 6.4; B.B., on charcoal easily reduced. Partially soluble, with slight effervescence, in nitric acid. An analysis by Brooke gives its composition as follows, viz.:-

Sulphate of lead Carbonate of lead Carbonate of copper		•		55·8 32·8 11·4
				100.0

It occurs in flattish crystals at Leadhills, and associated with *leadhillite* and *cerussite* at Roughten Gill Mine, Caldbeck Fells, Cumberland, but nowhere

else in Great Britain. It is said to have been found abroad at Tanné, in the Hartz, and in La Motte Mine, Missouri, U.S.

Linarite, so named after Linares, a reputed Spanish locality of this ore, is a hydrated cupreous sulphate of lead. It occurs crystallised in oblique rhombic prisms, often in twins. Colours, deep azure blue, resembling the brightest specimens of blue carbonate of copper, the colour being evidently due to the union of water with the copper in the ore. Streak, pale blue. Lustre, vitreous or adamantine. Translucent. Brittle. Fracture, conchoidal. H., 2·5 to 3·0; S.G., 5·3 to 5·5; B.B., on charcoal, in the inner flame, yields a globule of lead, which, on continuing the heat, deposits a coating of oxide of lead. The following is an analysis of it by Professor Thomson, viz.:—

Sulphate	of lead				74.8
Oxide of					19.7
Water					5:5
					100.0

It has been found at Leadhills, Lanarkshire, in association with *cerussite*; also in the Mexico, Red Gill, and Roughten Gill Mines in Cumberland, but in no other British mines; and abroad only in the neighbourhood of Ems.

Lanarkite is a sulphato-carbonate of lead, first found in Lanarkshire at Leadhills — hence its name. It occurs massive, and also in thin laminæ, flexible like gypsum, and crystallised in long, slender,

right rhombic prisms, minute, and seldom distinct. Colour, greenish white or grey. Streak, white. Lustre, adamantine; on the cleavage face, pearly. Transparent to translucent. Sectile. H., 2.0 to 2.5; S.G., 6.8 to 7.0; B.B., on charcoal fuses to a globule which is white when cold and is nearly reduced to metallic lead. Effervesces slightly with nitric acid, in which it is partially soluble, leaving a residue of sulphate of lead oxide. An analysis of it by Professor Thomson gives sulphate of lead, 53.96; carbonate of lead, 46.04 = 100. In the Leadhills Mine it was found associated with susannite and caledonite, and has been found nowhere else in the British Isles. It occurs abroad at Tanné, in Brunswick; also in the Hartz, at Biberweisser in the Tyrol, and in Siberia.

Leadhillite, another sulphato-carbonate of lead, occurs crystallised in the form of rhombic and tabular prisms, and in foliated clusters. In composition it is a compound of sulphate and carbonate of lead in proportions forming a sulphato-tricarbonate. Colours, yellowish or greenish white to grey, green, yellow, and brown. Streak, white. Lustre, resinous, inclining to adamantine, pearly on cleavage planes. This pearly lustre on the cleavage face is very characteristic of leadhillite. Transparent to translucent. Rather brittle. Fracture, obscure conchoidal. H., 2.5; S.G., 6.2 to 6.5; B.B., intumesces and becomes yellow, but turns white again on cooling. On charcoal easily reduced to metallic lead. Effervesces briskly in nitric acid,

leaving a white residue of oxide of lead. The following is an analysis of it by Professor Thomson: sulphate of lead, 27.43; carbonate of lead, 72.57 = 100. It occurs in the Leadhill Mines, Lanarkshire, where it was first found, and after which it is named; also in the Red Gill Mine, Caldbeck Fells, Cumberland, in quartz. It has also been found abroad in the Island of Serpho in the Grecian Archipelago; and at Granada, Spain.

Susannite, another sulphato-carbonate of lead, is very similar to leadhillite, from which, however, it may be distinguished by the rhomboidal form of its crystals, and its higher specific gravity. It occurs in attached crystals on the Susanna lode of the Leadhills Mine—hence its name. It occurs there associated with leadhillite, lanarkite, and cerussite. Colours, pale green, yellow, grey, and dark brown. Streak, white. Transparent to opaque. Lustre, resinous, or pearly adamantine. H., 2·5; S.G., 6·55. Its composition, according to Brooke, is: sulphate of lead, 27·5; carbonate of lead, 72·5 = 100. It has been found only in Great Britain at Leadhills, N.B., and abroad at Moldawa in the Bannet, on brown iron ore and galena.

Clausthalite, a seleniate of lead, was first discovered by Zinken in 1823, at Clausthal, in the eastern Hartz. It is found there in veins of iron traversing clay-slate and green-stone, disseminated in magnesian limestone. It generally occurs massive, and with so great a resemblance to finely

grained galena, that it is only distinguishable from that ore by a slight but peculiar tinge of colour which characterises it. Colour, lead-grey and blue. Streak, darker than the colour. Opaque. Lustre, metallic. Fracture, granular and shining. Texture, finely granular. Rather sectile. H., 2.5 to 3.0; S.G., 7.18 to 8.80; B.B., on charcoal it is quickly decomposed, and besides the usual phenomena arising from the presence of lead, it yields the odour of decayed horse-radish, and a reddish brown substance is deposited on the charcoal. Heated in a glass tube over a spirit-lamp, the selenium almost instantly sublimes, and forms a red ring within the tube, at the open end of which its odour is very perceptible. This ore occurs massive in veins of hæmatite at Hartzgerode; also at Clausthal. Tilkerode, Zorge, and Lehrbach in the Hartz; at Reinsberg, near Freiberg, in Saxony; and in the Rio Tinto Mines, near Seville, in Spain.

Cotunnite is a simple chloride of lead, and was first observed by Monticelli and Covelli in the crater of Mount Vesuvius after the eruption in 1822, and was named by them in honour of one of the medical men of Naples. It was accompanied by common salt, chloride and sulphate of copper, and other salts. It was again found in 1840 soon after the eruption of 1839, in the upper crater of that volcano near the Punta del Mauro, and again in the lava flow of 1855, which ran into the Fosso della Vetrona. It occurs in very minute rhombic acicular crystals with an adamantine lustre,

inclining to silky or pearly. Colour, white. So soft, may be marked by the nail. S.G., 5·23; B.B., fuses easily, colouring the flame blue, and emitting a white vapour which is condensed on the charcoal. With soda it yields a globule of lead. Dissolves in about twenty-seven times its weight of cold water. Its composition, according to Berzelius, is: lead, 74·52; chlorine, 25·48 = 100. It has not been found in any other locality than the crater of Vesuvius.



CHAPTER V

PLUMBO-RESINITE—CROMFORDITE—VAUQUELINITE— SCHÉELETINE

TENDIPITE is a di-chloride of lead, and was found near Churchill, in the Mendip Hills, Somersetshire, where it occurred on earthy black oxide of manganese in crystalline masses having a fibrous and radiated columnar structure. It has been found, however, in opaque prismatic crystals at Tarnowitz in Silesia, and also in the Kunibert Mine near Bribon in Westphalia, associated with calcspar and calamine. white, sometimes with a reddish or yellowish tinge. Streak, white. Feebly translucent to opaque. Cleavage, highly perfect. Lustre, pearly on cleavage faces. H., 2.5 to 3.0; S.G., 7.077 to 7.100; B.B., decrepitates slightly when heated, and appears yellower after cooling. Fuses very readily. On charcoal is reduced with evolution of muriatic acid fumes. Easily soluble in nitric acid. Treated with peroxide of copper and bi-phosphate of soda, the flame assumes an intense blue colour. The following

is an analysis of it from Churchill by Berzelius, viz.:—

Lead					83.20
Chloric acid				12.0	13.77
Carbonic acid					1.03
Silicic acid					1.46
Water .					0.54
					100.00

Matlockite is an oxy-chloride of lead found near Matlock, in the Cromford Mine. Primary form, a right square prism. It occurs in tabular crystals with an imperfect basal cleavage. Colour, yellowish, sometimes greenish. Lustre, adamantine, occasionally pearly on planes of cleavage. Transparent to translucent. Fracture, uneven and slightly conchoidal. H., 2.5 to 3.0; S.G., 7.21; B.B., decrepitates, and on charcoal fuses easily to a greyish yellow globule. Readily soluble in nitric acid. Matlockite has not been found in any other locality than the one above mentioned, near Matlock, Derbyshire, where it occurs like cromfordite in one of the air-shafts of the mine. Its composition is: chloride of lead, 55.5; oxide of lead, 44.5 = 100. An analysis of it by Dr. R. A. Smith gave-

Chloride of lead				55.177
Oxide of lead .				44.300
Water				.072
Loss				.451
				100.000

Plumbo-resinite is a hydrous sex-aluminate of

lead, and so named from its composition and its resemblance to gum-arabic. It resembles Muller's glass (hyalite) so much, except in colour, that it might be taken for it. It occurs amorphous, and in reniform, globular, or stalactitic masses with a columnar structure. Colour, yellowish or reddish brown. Translucent. Lustre, resinous. Streak, white. Fracture, conchoidal and splintery. H., 4·0 to 4·5; S.G., 6·3 to 6·4; B.B., decrepitates strongly, turns white, swells up, and fuses partially under a strong blast; on charcoal with carbonate of soda yields globules of lead. Soluble in nitric acid. The following is an analysis of it from Nussière, by Dufrénoy, viz.:—

Oxide of le	ead					100	43.42
Chloride o					48.4		2.11
Alumina		110		-	-/		34.23
Phosphori	c acid	1.		in an			1.89
Water							16.14
Loss .							2.21
							100.00

This ore has not hitherto been found in the British Isles. It occurs at Huelgoet, in Brittany, in clay-slate, and at Nussière, near Beaujeu, in France; also in La Motte Mine, Missouri, U.S.

Cromfordite, or, as it is sometimes called, phosgenite, is a chloro-carbonate of lead, and is named after the mine in which it was first discovered in its air-shaft—the Cromford Mine near Wirksworth, Matlock, Derbyshire. It occurs crystallised in

rectangular four-sided prisms, either perfect or with the lateral and also the terminal edges replaced. Colour, white, greyish or yellowish white, and pale tints of grey, yellow, and green, also bright yellow. Streak, snow-white. Transparent to translucent. Lustre, adamantine. Rather sectile and easily frangible. Fracture, conchoidal, with a splendent adamantine lustre. H., 2.75 to 3.0; S.G., 6.0 to 6.3; B.B., melts readily in the outer flame to a yellow globule, which, on cooling, becomes white and somewhat crystalline; on charcoal yields a globule of lead. Soluble, with effervescence, in nitric acid. Its composition is: chloride of lead, 51.0; carbonate of lead, 49.0 = 100.00, and by analysis—

Oxide of lead				80.0
Muriatic acid				14.0
Carbonic acid				6.0
				100.0

The finest crystals of cromfordite were obtained from the Cromford Mine, and are now in the British (Natural History) Museum. This ore has also been found in Huel Confidence, Cornwall, and occurs also in minute crystals in Lossiemouth Lead Mine at Elgin. From its chemical composition Karsten gave it the name of "corneous lead ore." It is distinguished from cerussite (white lead ore) by its colour, crystallisation, fracture, inferior hardness, and less specific gravity.

Nagyagite is a bi-telluride of lead, hitherto found only at Nagyag and Offenbanya in Transylvania, where it occurs massive, granular, but generally foliated. Its primary form is a right square prism. It is found also in very small sixsided tabular crystals with a basal cleavage. Colour, iron black to blackish lead-grey. Streak, similar. Lustre, metallic. Opaque. Highly flexible when in thin laminæ. Soft, and very sectile. H., 1.0 to 1.5; S.G., 6.680 to 7.085; B.B., it melts easily on charcoal, yielding a malleable metallic button. On fusing it emits a dense vapour, colouring the flame blue, and depositing a yellow film on the charcoal; with borax it yields a bead of gold containing a little silver; dissolves in nitric acid leaving a residue of silver. In composition it is a telluride of lead and gold. The following is an analysis of is by Klaproth, viz.:-

Lead .						54.0
Tellurium						32.2
Gold .		100			T	9.0
Copper			14.3			1.3
Silver.						0.5
Sulphur						 3.0
						100.0

Altaite is a variety of bi-telluride of lead, and, as described by Rose, it appears to be much purer in composition than nagyagite. It occurs usually massive in granular aggregates, rarely in cubes.

Colour, tin-white with a yellow tarnish, very similar to the appearance of native antimony. Lustre, metallic. Sectile. Fracture, uneven. H., 3.0 to 3.5; S.G., 8.159 to 8.10; B.B., colours the flame blue; in the inner flame volatilises till nothing is left but a minute globule of silver. Soluble in nitric acid. It contains no gold. An analysis by Rose gives its composition as follows, viz.:—

Lead .	185. 1				60.35
Tellurium					38.37
Silver					1.28
					100.00

Its only known locality is in Savodinsky Mine near Barnaoul in the Altai, mixed with telluric silver.

Melanochroite is a variety of chromate of lead which was first analysed, described, and named by Hermann. It occurs in rhombic prisms with two faces enlarged, imparting to the crystals a tabular form; also massive. Colour, between cochineal and hyacinth red; by exposure to the air it becomes lemon-yellow; powder, tile-red. Streak, brick-red. Lustre, resinous. Transparent at the edges, otherwise opaque. Soft and slightly brittle, easily reduced to powder. H., 3.0 to 3.5; S.G., 5.75; B.B., decrepitates slightly when heated and hardly yields a trace of water, becoming for the time of a darker colour. On charcoal it cracks but

does not fly off, then fuses readily to a dark-coloured mass, which becomes crystalline on cooling. In the reducing flame it yields fumes of lead, lead globules, and oxide of chromium. Fused with the fluxes it gives a green-coloured lead. Its composition by Hermann's analysis is: protoxide of lead, 76.69; chromic acid, 23.31 = 100. It occurs in veins in a limestone rock at Beresow, in the Ural, along with galena, vauquelinite, crocoisite, and other ores of lead.

Vauquelinite is a cupreo-chromate of lead, which was first observed by Berzelius as accompanying the Siberian chromate of lead, and named after the celebrated French chemist, Vauquelin. It occurs in mammillated masses forming thin crusts, and in irregularly aggregated minute and generally macled Oblique. Colour, black (occasionally crystals. with a greenish tinge), dark green, approaching olive-green and brown. Streak and powder, siskingreen or brownish. Lustre, adamantine to resinous, faint in the brown varieties. Soft enough to be scratched by the nail. Rather brittle. Fracture. uneven, dull. H., 2.5 to 3.0; S.G., 5.5 to 5.8; B.B., per se swells a little and melts, with much frothing, into a dark grey bead of metallic lustre with globules of metallic lead. With borax in small quantity dissolves with intumescence, and forms a green glass, which, if subjected to the action of the inner flame and then left to cool, becomes red. opaque red, or black, according to the quantity of the mineral. A large quantity of the mineral

forms a black globule with borax immediately. Soluble in nitric acid, giving a dark green solution and leaving a yellow residue. In composition it is a chromate of lead and copper. It occurs at Beresow, in Siberia, on quartz, accompanied by crocoisite; at Pont Gibaud in the Puy de Dôme (Auvergne); at Congonhas do Campo in Brazil, also with crocoisite; and in the Sing-sing Lead Mine in New York. An analysis of it from Beresow by Berzelius, gives—

Oxide of lead .				60.87
Oxide of copper.				10.80
Chromic acid .				28.33
				100.00

Schéeletine is a tungstate of lead, first subjected to a chemical examination by Breithaupt and Lampadius, and named after Scheele, the celebrated Swedish chemist. It occurs usually crystallised in four-sided prisms, with a single distinct cleavage parallel to its base. Its primary form appears to be an octahedron with a square base. It is isomorphous with both tungstate of lime and molybdate of lead. Colour, yellowish grey, brownish, or green. Streak, white. Lustre, resinous. Faintly translucent. Fracture, conchoidal and shining. H., 3.0; S.G., 7.8 to 8.1; B.B., fuses, covering the charcoal with a deposit of oxide of lead, and on cooling solidifies to a dark crystalline globule of metallic aspect, which yields a pale grey powder. With

carbonate of soda on charcoal yields globules of lead. Soluble in nitric acid with separation of yellow tungstic acid. It is found in the tin mines of Zinnwald in Bohemia, associated with quartz and mica; at Bleiberg in Carinthia, with molybdate of lead; and near Coquimbo in Chili.

Its composition is: oxide of lead, 42.28; tungstic acid, 51.72 = 100. The following is an analysis of it from Zinnwald by Chapman, viz.:—

Oxide of lead					33.26
Tungstie acid		1.2			59.50
Lime					6.37
Loss					.87
					100:00

CHAPTER VI

DECKENITE—BLEINIERITE—BOULANGERITE—
JAMESONITE—ZINKENITE

PLATTNERITE, named by Haidinger after Plattner, the Saxon chemist and metallurgist, is a somewhat doubtful species. Its composition is given as: peroxide of lead, 86.6; oxygen, 13.4 = 100. It occurs in six-sided prisms with truncated edges, and is possibly pseudo-morphous after pyromorphite, according to Greg and Lettsom. Colour, ironblack. Streak, brown. Opaque. Lustre, metallic adamantine. Brittle. Fracture, uneven. S.G., 9.4; B.B., on charcoal; easily reduced. It has been found at Leadhills, N.B.

Tilkerodite, so named by Haidinger, from its occurrence at Tilkerode, in the Hartz. It is an impure variety, owing to the presence of iron, of clausthalite. The analysis of the latter was accidentally omitted, viz. lead, 70.98; selenium, 28.11; cobalt, 0.83; loss, 0.8 = 100, in which part of the lead is replaced by cobalt. The following is an analysis of it from Clausthal, by H. Rose, viz.:—

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Lead.					57.92
Selenium					31.42
Cobalt					3.14
Iron .					6.45
Loss .					1.07
					100.00

Raphanosmite is the name given by Von Koball to varieties of clausthalite in which a portion of the lead is replaced by copper. It is generally found in small amorphous pieces of a violet colour when newly broken, which, after exposure to the air, becomes of a variegated lead-grey and violet colour. It is soft and slightly malleable. H., 2.5 to 3.0. The following is an analysis of it from Tilkerode, in the Hartz, viz.:—

Selenium		1.		34.26
Lead				47.43
Copper				15.45
Silver		3.		1.29
Peroxide iron and lead				2.08
				100.21

These two varieties of clausthalite, as above, in which a portion of the lead is replaced by cobalt in the first, and by copper in the second, have been by Brooke and Miller named zorgite, from their occurrence at Zorge, in the Hartz; but such multiplication of names ought to be deprecated.

Deckenite, named after Dr. H. Von Decken, of Bonn, is a vanadate of lead. It occurs in small botryoidal masses. Texture, crystalline, with some appearance of a rhombohedral cleavage. Colour, dull red, sometimes yellowish. Streak, yellow. Lustre of fresh fracture. Greasy. H., 4.0; S.G., 5.81; B.B., alone, fuses easily to a yellowish glass; with soda forms a white enamel containing grains of lead. The following is an analysis by Bergemann, viz.:—

Loss	1		91.14		0.182
Vanad Oxide		:			46·101 53·717

It is found in the Lauter valley, near Nieder-Schlettenbach, in Rhenish Bavaria, in variegated sandstone.

Descloizite is an impure and very complex vanadic-oxide of lead, the impurities consisting of zinc, copper, manganese, and iron. It has been named after Descloizeaux, the crystallographer. It occurs in South America in small rhombic crystals on a silicious and ferruginous gangue. Colour, mostly deep black, but in the smaller crystals olive, with a chatoyant - bronze lustre; light brown, inclining to red at the edges, by transmitted light; the colours zoned with straw colour, reddish brown, and black, on surfaces of fracture. H., 3.5; S.G., 5.84; B.B., fuses, and is partially reduced to a black slag investing a globule of metallic lead. Soluble in dilute nitric acid. The following is an analysis (mean of two) by Damour, viz.:-

Vanadic acid	22·46 54·70
	=77.16
the remaining constituents amounting to	22.84
	100:00

being composed of oxides of zinc, copper, iron, and manganese, with chlorine, sand and water, etc.

Dufrénoysite, named after Dufrénoy, late Professor of Mineralogy, Museum of Natural History, Paris, is an arsenical sulphuret of lead. Colour, steel-grey. Streak, reddish brown. Lustre, metallic. Brittle. Fracture, uneven. S.G., 5.07 to 5.55; B.B., fuses easily, yielding sulphurous and arsenical fumes and a globule of lead. Dissolves in acids. The following analysis is by Damour, viz.:—

Lead.							56.61
Sulphur							22:30
Arsenic	1	23		5.0			20.87
Iron .						1	0.32
Copper							0.22
Silver			4.8				0.17
							100.49

It occurs at St. Gothard in small veins in dolomite with realgar, orpinent, blende, and pyrites; in the valley of Binnen in the canton of Valais, in dolomite, with realgar.

Bleinierite is a hydrous antimoniate of lead, occurring amorphous, reniform, and spheroidal; also earthy and incrusting. Colours, white, grey, yellow, and brown. Streak, white, greyish, or yellowish. Lustre, resinous. Dull or earthy.

Opaque to translucent. Structure, often curved lamellar. H., 4.0; S.G., 3.93 to 5.05; B.B., on charcoal fuses to a metallic globule, gives out antimonial fumes, and finally yields a bead of lead. The following is an analysis of it from Cornwall, by Dr. John Percy, viz.:—

				100:00
Water				11.91
Oxide of lead .				40.73
Antimonious acid	1.			47.36

This mineral is supposed to be a mechanical mixture, after decomposition, of lead and antimony ochres. It occurs at Nertschinsk, in Siberia; in large detached masses in Trevinnick Mine, near Endallyon, Cornwall, with *jamesonite* and antimony ochre, where it is the result of the decomposition of the former mineral.

Moffrasite, so named after M. de Moffrah, attaché to the French Embassy in Madrid, is an antimonite of lead. It is a variety of bleinierite, composed of shelly masses forming alternate bands of brownish grey or yellowish brown colours, which differ considerably in their specific gravity. Fracture, vitreous, with somewhat brilliant lustre. H., 5·5, does not scratch glass; S.G., of brownish bands 5·46, of yellowish 4·25; B.B., on charcoal, fuses, giving off white fumes, and yielding globules of lead. Dissolves in nitric acid. It occurs, forming a strong vein, at Zamora, in Spain.

Geocronite is a sulpho-antimonite of lead. Its name is derived from the Greek words ge, earth,

and Kronos, Saturn—the alchemistic name for lead. Its crystals are rhombic, but it usually occurs massive; also granular or earthy. Colour and streak, pale lead-grey. Lustre, metallic. Brittle. Fracture, uneven. H., 2.0 to 3.0; S.G., 6.4 to 6.6; B.B., fuses readily, giving off fumes of antimony and sulphur, and colouring the charcoal yellow. The following is an analysis of it from Meredo by Sauvage, viz.:—

Sulphur					16.90
Antimony					16.00
Lead.					64.89
Copper					1.60
Loss .		1.	 10.		0.61
					100.00

It occurs in Ireland, at Kilbricken, Co. Clare; in Spain, at Meredo, in Gallicia; in the Valley di Castello, near Pietro Santo, in Tuscany; and in the silver mines of Sala, in Sweden, where a portion of its antimony is replaced by arsenic.

Kilbrichenite is a variety of geocronite, which is also found at Kilbricken, and has been named by Apjohn after this, its only known locality. Colour, bluish grey. H., 2.0 to 2.5; S.G., 6.407. Dissolves slowly in warm muriatic acid. The following is an analysis of it by Apjohn, viz.:—

Sulphur .					16.36
Antimony .	-				14.39
Lead			-		68.87
Iron					0.38
					100.00

Schulzite is another variety of geocronite, which occurs in nodules of galena at Meredo, in Gallicia. Colour and streak, lead-grey. Opaque. Lustre, metallic. Brittle. Fracture, conchoidal, even. H., 2·5 to 3·0; S.G., 6·43. The following is an analysis of it by Sauvage, viz.:—

Sulphur .				16.90
Antimony.				16.00
Lead			. "	64.89
Copper .				1.60
Loss				0.61
				100.00

Boulangerite, a sulpho-antimoniate of lead, is named after M. Boulanger, C.E. It generally occurs in plumose masses, which exhibit a crystalline structure when fractured; also granular and compact. Colour, bluish lead-grey, often spotted with yellow from oxidation. Lustre, metallic. H., 2·5 to 3·0; S.G., 5·75 to 6·0; B.B., fuses readily, giving off sulphurous acid fumes and oxide of antimony. On charcoal the presence of lead is indicated by a yellow circle. The following is an analysis of it from Molières (Gard) in France, by Boulanger, viz.:—

Sulphur				4.	18.5
Antimony		-			25.5
Lead .	-				53.9
Iron .					1.2
Loss .					0.9
					100.0

It is found abundantly at Molières, in France;

Nasafjeld, in Lapland; Wolfsberg, and, massive, acicular, and fibrous, near Bottino, in Tuscany.

Heteromorphite, sometimes called feather ore, an antimonial sulphuret of lead, differs so much from all the others, that it has been named from Greek words, signifying another form. It occurs in capillary forms, resembling cobwebs: also massive occasionally. Colour, between dark lead-grey and steel-grey, sometimes with an iridescent tarnish. Lustre, dull metallic. H., 1.0 to 3.0; S.G., 5.67 to 5.90. Fuses instantly in the flame of a candle with evolution of white fumes. The following is an analysis of its massive form from Wolfsberg, by Poselger, viz.:—

Sulphur .					20.32
Antimony.			100		32.98
Lead					48.48

It is found at Wolfsberg, Andreasberg, and Clausthal, in the Hartz; at Freiberg; Schemnitz, near Neudorf, in Anhalt; near Bottino, in Tuscany; and at Clionta, in Peru.

Meneghinite is a variety of heteromorphite of compact fibrous forms. Very lustrous. H., 2.5. The following is an analysis of it by Bechi, viz.:—

				17.52
				19.28
		VA E		59.21
	1			3.54
		. 15		0.34
	-			0.11

It occurs at Bottino, near Serravezza, in Tuscany, and is named after Professor Meneghini of Pisa.

Jamesonite, another sulpho-antimonite of lead, was named by Mohs after Professor Jameson of Edinburgh. Its primary form is a right rhombic prism. It occurs in acicular crystals and in fibrous masses with a columnar structure, and composed of straight and parallel or divergent particles. Colour and streak, steel-grey. Lustre, metallic. Opaque. Sectile. H., 2.0 to 2.5; S.G., 5.5 to 5.8; B.B., in an open tube gives off white fumes of oxide of antimony. On charcoal decrepitates, fuses readily, and almost entirely passes off in fumes, depositing a sublimate of oxide of lead and antimony, and leaving a ferruginous slag. Soluble in warm muriatic acid. The following is the mean of three analyses of it from Cornwall by Rose, viz.:-

Sulphur								22:34
Antimony								34.26
Lead.								40.00
Lead with	trac	e of	iron	and z	inc			0.18
Copper								0.14
Iron .				18.2				2.64
Loss .								0.44
						f.		
								100.00

The perfect cleavage at right angles to the axis of the prisms is very characteristic of *jamesonite*, and is sufficient to distinguish it from those minerals which it otherwise resembles. It is

found in Cornwall, near Padstow; Huel Lee, near Calstock; Port Quin Cliffs and Trevinnock, near Endellion; Port Isaac, Pendogget; and abroad, in Siberia; Hungary, disseminated in calcspar; Spain; Brazil; and in various other countries.

Plagionite is a sesqui-sulpho-antimonite of lead, named, in allusion to the form of its crystals, from a Greek word signifying oblique. It occurs in thick tabular very oblique four-sided prisms; also massive and granular. Colour, blackish lead-grey. Opaque. Lustre, strongly metallic. Brittle. Fracture, imperfect, conchoidal. Structure, foliated. H., 2·5; S.G., 5·4; B.B., decrepitates violently, fuses easily, giving off fumes of sulphur and oxide of antimony. The following is an analysis of it from the Wolfsberg Mine by Kudernatsch, viz.:—

Sulphur					21.49
Antimony					37.53
Lead.					40.98
					100.00

It is found at Wolfsberg, in the Hartz, on quartz, crystallised in drusy cavities in massive plagionite.

Zinkenite named by M. G. Rose in honour of Zinken, director of the mines of Anhalt, in Hanover, by whom it was discovered and first described, may be called a bisulpho-antimonite of lead; but although classed with the lead, it ought properly to be classed with the antimony ores, as that metal predominates in its composition. It occurs in regular six-sided prisms, terminated by low six-

sided pyramids. The faces of the prisms are generally deeply striated longitudinally, while those of the pyramids are uneven, but not furrowed. The crystals are generally grouped together on quartz. It occurs also massive and granular. Colour and streak, steel or dark lead-grey. Opaque. Lustre, metallic. Brittle. H., 2.5; S.G., 5.4; B.B., decrepitates violently and fuses as readily as the grey sulphuret of antimony (stibnite), giving off fumes of sulphur and oxide of antimony. It bears a considerable resemblance to plagionite, but, as the subjoined analysis shows, it differs from that species considerably:—

Sulphur					22.58
Antimony	4 .				44.39
Lead.					31.84
Copper					0.42
Loss.	3.	-			0.77
					100.00

It may be distinguished from both *stibnite* and *bournonite* by its different hardness and specific gravity.

The antimony mine of Wolfsberg, where Zinken first discovered it, is still the only locality where this ore has been found.

CHAPTER VII

BOURNONITE—NUSSIÈRITE—MIESITE—ORES CONTAINING TRACES OF LEAD

MOBELLITE, named after Von Kobell, is an antimonial sulpho-bismuthate of lead. It generally contains more or less impurities, such as iron, copper, etc. Colour, dark lead-grey. Streak, black. Lustre, brighter than that of grey antimony (stibnite). Structure, radiated. Soft. S.G., 6·29 to 6·32; B.B., fuses with strong intumescence at first, but afterwards quietly till surrounded with a yellow glass. In the inner flame fumes strongly, and yields a white metallic globule. Soluble in concentrated muriatic acid with evolution of sulphuretted hydrogen. An analysis by Sälterberg gives its composition as follows, viz.:—

Antimony	7.					9.24
Sulphur						17.86
Bismuth						27.05
Lead.				4.		40.12
Iron.				4.1		2.96
Copper						0.80
Matrix an	d los	ss.				1.97
						100.00

This ore is found in the cobalt mines of Sweden.

Bournonite is a compound ore of sulphur, lead, antimony, and copper, and is sometimes classed as a copper ore, but why so is difficult to understand, as the proportion of copper in all the analyses that have been given of it is much less than those of either antimony or lead; and as in all of them the proportion of lead is larger than that of both the copper and antimony combined, it ought to be certainly classed as a lead ore. It was first observed, at Huel Boys, in the parish of St. Endellion, Cornwall, and described, by Count de Bournon, who named it after that parish, endellione; but it has since been named in honour of the It occurs crystallised in rectangular prisms, variously modified, in right rhomboidal prisms, and in cruciform crystals; also massive, granular, and compact. Colour and streak, steelgrey, inclining to blackish lead-grey, or iron-black. Opaque. Structure, perfectly lamellar. Fracture, uneven, or flat conchoidal, with a brilliant metallic lustre. Brittle, yields to the pressure of the nail. H., 2.5 to 3.0; S.G., 5.7 to 5.9; B.B., upon charcoal, decrepitates and melts, giving off sulphur and fumes of antimony, and yielding a black globule of lead and copper; dissolves readily in nitric acid when assisted by heat, and forms a blue solution. Analyses of it from different localities vary considerably in the proportions of its constituents, but the following analysis of it from Wolfsberg, by Rammelsberg, is a fair average one of its composition, viz.:—

Sulphur		1.			19.76
Lead.					42.88
Antimony			-		24.30
Copper					13.06
					-
					100.00

This ore is found in numerous localities. In Cornwall, at Huel Boys, in the parish of St. Endellion; at St. Merryn, near Padstow; at Nansloe, near Helstone; and Budock-Vean, near Falmouth; also in very fine, sometimes compound crystals (wheel ore) at Herodsfoot Mine near Liskeard. In Ireland, at Cahirglissawan, between Gort and Kenmare, Co. Kerry. In the mines of Neudorf in the Hartz, where very large crystals of it occur. Good crystals of it are also found at Kapnick in Transylvania, and at Servoz in Piedmont. It occurs also at Braunsdorf, and Gersdorf in Saxony. Other localities are at Clausthal, and Andreasberg in the Hartz. In France at Cransac, department of l'Aveyron, at Auvergne; and also in Mexico.

Selenkupferblei, a selen-copper-lead ore, has also, but with even less reason than in the case of bournonite, been classed as a copper ore, as will be evident from the subjoined analysis. It occurs massive, of a paler lead-grey colour and with a fainter lustre than in the selenide of lead

(clausthalite), and is often tarnished brass-yellow or violet. H., 2·5; S.G., 6·96 to 7·04; B.B., fuses with difficulty. An analysis of it by H. Rose gives its composition as—

Lead					59.67
Copper .			10		7.86
Selenium .					29.96
Iron					0.33
Iron and lead					0.44
Waste, etc.					1.74
					100.00

This ore, and a variety of it called selenbleikupfer, which is composed of: lead, 47·43; copper, 15·15; selenium, 34·26; with some silver and peroxide of iron, etc., and which is very soft, somewhat malleable, and with a sp. gr. of 5·6, are varieties of clausthalite (in which part of the lead has been replaced by copper, but not to an extent to warrant their being classed as copper ores), and are found associated with it at Tilkerode and Zorge. They occur also at Glasbachgrund in Thuringia.

Nussièrite, named after the only locality in which it has as yet been found, is another compound ore of chloride and phosphate of lead and lime. It occurs in very obtuse rhombohedral crystals. Colour, yellowish, greenish or greyish, with a faint waxy lustre. H., 4·0 to 4·5; S.G., 5·041; B.B., fuses and solidifies into a whitish angular enamel; with borax forms a yellowish glass. Dissolves

readily, without effervescence, in nitric acid. The following is an analysis of it from Nussière, department of the Rhone, in France, viz.:—

Oxide of lead .	THE			46.50
Chloride of lead	2 . 4		٠.	7.65
Phosphoric acid.				19.80
Oxide of calcium				12:30
Arsenic acid .				4.06
Protoxide of iron				2.44
Silica and waste				7.25
				100.00

Percylite, a chloride or oxy-chloride of lead and copper, is named after Dr. John Percy, Professor of Metallurgical Chemistry in the Government School of Mines. It occurs in minute cubes. Colour and streak, sky-blue. Lustre, vitreous. H., 2.5; B.B., fuses rapidly; on charcoal, in the inner flame, affords metallic globules, which dissolve without residue in dilute nitric acid. The specific gravity and composition of this species has not yet been correctly ascertained.

Its only known locality is at La Sonora in Mexico, accompanying gold, in a matrix of quartz and red oxide of iron.

Wölchite is another compound ore of lead, copper, and antimony. It occurs in short rhombic prisms; also massive. Colour, blackish lead-grey. Brittle. Fracture, imperfect conchoidal. H., 3.0; S.G., 5.7 to 5.8.; B.B., on charcoal, fuses with effervescence to a lead-grey metallic globule, which, with soda, yields metallic copper.

The following is an analysis of it by Schrötter, viz.:—

Sulphur .					28.60
Lead		40%			29.90
Copper .					17:35
Antimeny .					16.65
Arsenic .					6.04
Protoxide of iro	n				1.40
Loss					0.06
					100.00

It occurs in the iron mines of Wölch (whence its name) or St. Gertraud, in the valley of Lavant, in Carinthia.

Polysphrærite, a botryoidal variety of brown lead ore containing phosphate of lime, is so named from Greek words, signifying many spheres, owing to its occurrence only in segregations of roundish masses. Colour, brown or yellow, slightly darker than pyromorphite. Structure, radiated internally. Lustre, greasy. Fracture, conchoidal. S.G., 5.9 to 6.1. The following is an analysis of it by Kersten, viz.:—

Phosphate of lead				77.02
Chloride of lead				10.84
Phosphate of lime				11.05
Fluoride of calcium				1.09
				100.00

Its only known localities are the mines of Sonnenwirbel and St. Nicholas, near Freiberg, in Saxony.

Miesite is a brown variety of pyromorphite, from Mies, whence its name. *It is not well known, but the following analysis of it is given by Kersten, viz.:—

Phosphate of lead				89.27
Chloride of lead.				9.66
Phosphate of lime		1		0.85
Fluoride of calcium				0.22
				100.00

Mies, in Bohemia, is as yet its only known locality.

This may close the long and interesting series of lead ores, although it by no means exhausts the ores which contain lead—not in sufficient quantity, however, to allow of their being classed as lead ores; an illustrative example of such ores may be given in one of them, viz. plumbo-calcite, which is a variety of calcite or carbonate of lime, containing varying quantities of carbonate of lead. analysis of this ore from Wanlockhead Lead Mines in Dumfriesshire, N.B., shows it to consist of: carbonate of lime, 92.2; and carbonate of lead, 7.8; so that it would be more properly classed as a lime ore than a lead ore. There are many ores of the other metals which contain considerable percentages of lead, but these being less than their chief constituent, they are thereby excluded from the list of lead ores, as, for example, alisonite, a copper ore, contains: copper, 53.63; and lead, 28.25; but it is worthy of notice, that while many lead

ores contain considerable percentages of copper, copper ores, on the other hand, with the above exception, and excluding bournonite, selenkupferbleu, and selenbleikupfer (which, as has been shown, are improperly classed as copper ores) have, with two exceptions, not even a trace of lead in their composition. The two instances referred to are those of wolfsbergite, which contains 0.56, and brochantite, which contains only 0.03 per cent. of lead. It is certainly remarkable that while lead and copper are frequently found in the same mines, although in veins running in different directions, and the lead ores so often contain considerable percentages of copper, that all the various copper ores, with the solitary exception of alisonite, contain not even one per cent. of lead, and only in the above quoted two instances but little more than a trace of lead

In this and the preceding chapters on lead, there are many species and varieties of its ores described, which are more or less rare. A number of them, indeed, have only been found as crystals, some of which are very beautiful and exceedingly rare. These, of course, possess great interest for mineralogists and collectors of minerals and crystals, and the rarer they are, the more eagerly are they sought for to adorn and add value to their cabinets. Apart from these, however, there are many of the species described, which, although not rare, are not found in sufficient quantity for commercial purposes, or for being separately smelted,

but being generally associated with galena, they are smelted with it. Galena is, as was mentioned in the first chapter (page 4), the chief source of supply for the production of metallic lead, but while it is so, few reflective persons who are conscious of the truth of Hamlet's words, "There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamed of in your philosophy," and further believe "that through the ages one increasing purpose runs," will be disposed to question the probability, if not the certainty, that in all the varied combinations of the constituents of these ores, and the ores of the other metals also, an intelligent and wise purpose is embodied, although little thought of or realised by those through whose hands they pass. Nothing on the earth, or in it, is the result of chance, "the fortuitous concourse of atoms," but have all been created, or evolved by creative energy through the operations of laws, designed in the first place, at least, for the benefit of man; and to take one instance, as ironstone, with coal to smelt it, and limestone as a flux to facilitate that operation, are found in most localities where it exists, in close proximity, often in successive stratified deposits in the same pits; so doubtless is there a design in the presence of often apparently useless constituents in the metallic ores. Nothing is more wonderful in metallurgical processes than the results obtained by adding often very minute portions of one metal to a large portion of another, by which alloys of it are

produced possessing very different qualities from those of either of its constituents, and equally surprising results might be obtained by persevering research and experiments in the laboratories of chemical scientists, upon the varied associated constituents of metallic ores. In those described in these chapters there are in addition to the lead itself, portions of nearly all the other metals in some form or other, and percentages of many acids, salts, and earths; and new and great technical results might be achieved were chemists and metallurgists to study more in their researches and experiments the hints and indications given for their guidance in the varied combinations of constituents in those ores. In the description of minetene (page 18) it is pointed out that used as an ingredient in the manufacture of flint glass, it imparts a peculiar brilliancy to the glass. Exhaustive experiments would show to which ingredient or combination of ingredients this result was due, and this is but an instance which indicates what results might be obtained by such experiments on the varied ingredients of other ores.



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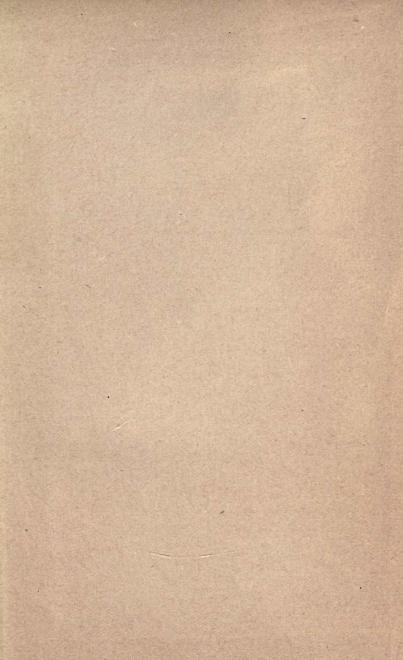
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