

The Geology of the Metamorphic
Complex of Houghton and the
Hunting Ground.

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I Abstract.

An area of metamorphic rocks ~~intended~~ is discussed with reference to their mineralogical, petrological and petrographic properties and certain deductions as to their paragenesis are forwarded.

The constituent minerals of the rocks are tabulated and their properties described. A series of descriptions of microscope slides are appended. The structure of the Archean rocks together with the associated overlying sedimentary series is mentioned while the top topography and economic aspect of the area are briefly touched upon.

The discussion of the origin of the metamorphic complex is made with reference to views expressed by previous workers and a geological map is included, together with a new chemical analysis of one of the rocks.

II Introduction

The area under consideration is sub-triangular in shape, extending from Castambul on the Lower River to eastwards to Chain of Ponds & ~~is~~ northwards through Haughton, Kerbrook and the Burnlong Forest with its apex beyond the South Para River west of the Burrossa Reservoir.

It is covered mainly by a series of banded and orange gneisses with ~~associated schists~~, (some ~~gneisses~~ being rich in millimanite or garnet) ^{with associated schists} and together with two major areas (Haughton and Kerbrook) of a crystalline banded rock of igneous appearance referred to previously as the "Haughton Diorite". It is considered that these rocks originated by a complex process of metamorphism and metasomatism on a series of pelitic, calcareous and arenaceous sediments without actual igneous ~~or~~ intrusion and are of Archaean age.

They are overlain unconformably by the folded and faulted Adelaide System - a sedimentary series of late Proterozoic ~~age~~ age.

A complex process of metamorphism on the older sediments with addition of alkaline material and later retrograde metamorphism has brought the rocks to their present form.

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Petrography.

The area considered consists mainly of augen gneisses with associated sericitic and chloritic schists while in the South-Western and South-Eastern parts are representatives of the so-called "Houghton Diorites". For general description the rocks are divided into :-

- (a) gneisses
- (b) schists
- (c) (1) granulites
- (2) leucocratic types
- (3) pegmatoid rocks.
- (d) unclassified types
- (e) sediments

(a) As mentioned previously the "Humberg Gneiss" are a predominant feature and are of the type referred to generally as "injected". They are dark ~~coloured~~^{gneissic} rocks with light colored $\frac{1}{2}$ quartz-feldspathic bands or augens set in a ~~roughly~~ schistose dark matrix of sericite and chlorite, being classified in the field as banded gneisses or augen gneisses. These two varieties merge into each other in the field, and Alderman⁶ has shown them to be chemically identical.

Mineralogically they consist of potash feldspar with quartz in varying amounts, much sericite (with chlorite and biotite) with only minor amounts of plagioclase. In addition there occur in ~~some~~ rocks of the required grade, sillimanite or garnet.

From a detailed examination, the paragenesis of these rocks appears both indefinite and complex, for nowhere in the area does there occur a rock which may be ~~regarded~~ regarded as an unaltered parent type. In every case

the rocks have suffered regional metamorphism to at least moderately high grades, together with an addition of alkaline material and have later undergone considerable retrograde effects with marked superimposed shearing on a wide scale, with the consequence that the original form and nature are quite obscure. The process is envisaged as having ~~occurred~~ taken place in several stages, where a wave of regional metamorphism has swept over the area in successively lower grades.

As far as can be guessed, the originally rocks were pelitic - slate, or perhaps greywackes. They underwent regional metamorphism which reached its maximum in the south-west where the sillimanite grade rocks occur, with progressively lower grades - garnet and biotite zones towards the north. At conditions of high temperature and pressure, an introduction of alkalis - chiefly potash & soda and silica, took place. This resulted in the widespread formation of microcline, the soda usually being present in the coarse high temperature perthite. This introduction is presumed to be a "soaking" process with gentle introduction and migration of material along of previously existing S-planes: - bedding or schistosity. Lack of crosscutting felspathic bands and the general uniformity point to a gradual addition not a bit-for-bit "squirting" or "injection". Such a rapid and ~~forceful~~ ^{powerful} process as the latter, extending over such an area, presumes too much for the forces of igneous injection. It seems most likely that the microcline was not introduced as such, but that there was an addition of potash (in

(the ionic state) along preferred directions where fluxing and recrystallization took place.

After this stage, conditions became less extreme and the rocks were in a state where temperatures were low and shearing forces predominate, i.e. a low grade of regional metamorphism. Whether or not there was a further addition of potash at this stage is not certain - probably there was sufficient alkali freed by the breakdown of microcline to sericite, to allow the addition of potash to associated minerals. ~~It is now~~ It is now that the general regional schistosity (with strike 170° with deep dips steep - chiefly east -) was produced by the wide spread alteration, ~~of~~ under low grade conditions, of microcline to sericite. ~~Potash is liberated causing~~ Sillimanite becomes unstable and combines with the liberated potash to form sericite while garnet is more stable and usually only becomes partially chloritized. The biotite becomes a less iron rich variety and deposits tiny granules of ~~biotite~~ ^{iron ore}.

The shearing is by no means uniform and affects certain areas to a greater degree than others :- in some schists, no traces of original high grade minerals remain, while in others, only a slight retrograde effect is noticeable.

The diaphoresis under conditions of shear causes crushing ^{or} ~~and~~ alteration, and the effects may be seen ~~to~~ ^{to be} arrested in all stages towards completion.

- 1) Early results are the cracking and bending of feldspar crystals, accompanied by some peripheral sericitisation of

microcline and sillimanite. Quartz shows undulose extinction, mica laths are bent, and all crystals show ragged, irregular outlines.

(2) The general grain size is smaller, as granulation and sericitisation becomes advanced - feldspar, sillimanite and quartz appear to be corroded, with cracks and cavities filled with white mica. Garnet, ilmenite and quartz crystals are frequently fractured. Quartz shows undulose extinction, an axial angle of 5°, and often elongation due to flow. Apatite is fractured and shows an axial angle of 30°.

(3) In the later stages, all high grade minerals - microcline, sillimanite and garnet have practically gone and all that remains are irregular, recrystallized porphyroblasts of quartz set in a fine grained matrix of sericite, chlorite and biotite with clear granules of quartz and regenerated albite.

(4) The last fine grained, sheared stage is that of the phyllonite - the of mylonitised schists referred to in the next section.

(b) Schists.

The schists are typified by ~~not~~ possessing the fine grained, sericitic, highly directed texture of the gneisses, but lacking the porphyroblasts.

They are very schistose and are considered to be merely the more highly sheared or altered rocks of the retrograde series, and ~~not~~ are not simple low grade rocks. Possibly the most fundamental requirement for a correct interpretation of the

geology of the area is the recognition of the true nature of these schists:— they are not phyllites but phyllonites. There are no simple low grade rocks in this area.

These schists ~~are~~ must be classified as above mainly by their association. In the field, bands (from one foot to hundreds of feet in width) ~~are~~ of apparent low grade phyllites, are seen to be traversing or in direct contact with ~~obviously~~ high grade metamorphic rocks eg sillimanite - garnet gneisses or granulites. Examples of schists located in less obvious high grade areas are absolutely identical with these.

Microscopically the schists are seen to be ~~of~~ the same as the schistose portion of the gneisses and grade into them, thus they are the ultimate stage in retrogression.

Alderman in his work on these gneisses, did not recognize this fact and his deduction of the origin of the Humberg Scour gneisses is basically unsound. This will be discussed later.

(c) Granulites.

In the south-western and south-eastern portions of the area, around the towns of Houghton and Kersbrook, there occur a group of distinctive strongly banded felspathic rocks, which has been called the "Houghton diorite" and which was thought^{5.7} to be the result of metamorphism on igneous rocks crystallized from the "Houghton Magma".

On normally weathered faces of the flaggy slabs, the appearance is that of a normal

sedimentary rocks of quartzitic nature and only on inspection of a freshly broken face does the crystalline nature become apparent.

The banding is due in part to the segregation of ferromagnesian minerals (diopside, actinolite, ilmenite) in the darker bands and feldspar and quartz in the lighter portions, and also in part to the shearing taking place preferentially in ~~the former~~ ^{some less resisting} bands. The perfect uniformity and parallelism of these foliae in the field is remarkable - ~~the~~ bands may be followed as long as a continuous ~~outcrop~~ rock face may be followed. They vary in width - being from 1/4" to 2" - although usually about 1".

In general, the rocks consist of plagioclase (from albite to andesine), with or without microcline or quartz, diopside with its accompanying unaltered actinolite, epidote, and de ever-present, often abundant, ilmenite. Quartz is usually not abundant. In some varieties biotite was ~~abundant~~ ^{abundant}, prominent, while zircon, calcite, rutile, tourmaline, apatite, chlorite, sericite, pyrite, are accessories. The composition - from an igneous aspect - varies considerably, (often within a matter of feet in the field) from granite, to granodiorite, syenite and diorite, the latter being most common. In ^{practically} all cases ^a the banding of some kind is prominent.

They weather with a typical, ~~see~~ blocky appearance and in distinction with the schists and gneisses support little undergrowth - these rocks underly the orchards and pastoral land of the district.

The granulites are distinguished from the

bedded gneisses into which they merge by the abundance of plagioclase, a general lack of quartz, the presence of diopside, actinolite and epidote together with a homogeneous texture relatively unaffected by shearing.

These rocks are considered to be the result of high grade metamorphism together with considerable transfer of material by metasomatism, ~~felspathic~~ felspathization or an early stage in the process of granulitization on rocks originally sedimentary in nature. The abundance of lime-bearing minerals is suggestive of calcareous-siliceous rock, probably a greywacke. The reasons for suggesting a sedimentary ~~origin~~ rather than igneous origin are now considered.

- (1) The complete heterogeneity and variation of composition - both mineralogical and chemical points strongly to ~~the~~ addition of material to an originally variable sediment by metasomatic processes. Late pneumatolysis on an ~~igneous~~ igneous hybrid might be plausible if it were not for additional evidence.
- (2) The presence of strongly developed banding, regular in width, ~~travelling~~ for as much as 30' without significant variation. This is considered to be mimetic after an original bedding and could only be explained on an originally igneous basis by an exceedingly complex and improbable course of differentiation, intrusion or metamorphism. The banding is not in the nature of schistosity, ~~is~~ and dips at relatively shallow angles (c.a. 40-60°). At Doughton there occur folds both on a small and large scale. Smaller

examples are ptygmatic, while the larger folds are synclines and anticlines in the region of $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ mile across. A pitching anticline is seen in the bed of the little Para River just north-east of Houghton.

(3) The gradual transition from banded granulite to banded gneiss to angle gneiss points to a common origin for the two. The difference between the two may be explained as due to

- (i) a difference in original composition.
- (ii) a difference in metasomatic additions,
- (iii) a difference in the original grade of metamorphism.
- (iv) a difference in the amount of retrograde metamorphism.

(4) The frequent occurrence of textures which are extremely similar to current bedding are difficult to explain on igneous grounds. Rubbed in grains of diopside or actinolite, these forms are persistent in some areas and are considered to be mimetic after ilmenitic cross bedding which is a feature of many old sedimentary rocks.

(5) The presence of those minerals which are frequent in metamorphosed rocks is a feature of most of these specimens e.g. tourmaline, apatite, pyroxene, etc.

(5) The presence of those minerals which are frequent in metamorphosed rocks is a feature of most gneisses and granulites. Tourmaline, apatite, pyrite, etc. are common.

In the field the strike of the foliation is much less regular than the regional schistosity and these rocks appear to have been contorted and folded while still in a mushy "migmatitic" state. They are cut by pegmatites, phylloitic schists, and by post-tectonic ilmenite veins, often $6''$ in diameter or larger.

Microscopically one feature is prominent: - the coarse replacement type of antiperthite which shows a potash feldspar being progressively replaced by a plagioclase, and which indicates an introduction of soda after potash. While the general ~~course~~ course of granitization as postulated by Reynolds⁹, Misch⁹ etc. is indicates potash additions after soda, there are abundant examples of the reverse process - see Shaller, Fernando,

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It thus seems that the original sediments were ~~reared~~ ^{subjected} to a high grade of regional metamorphism where they suffered recrystallization, addition of alkalis (potash first, soda later) and a partial desilication. As the original sediments are not present, the actual mechanism is in doubt, but the replacement must have been gentle, molecule by molecule with constant volume, so that the original textural features frequently remain undistorted. At this stage, stress causes the mushy semi-solid migmatite to become folded (elongation of quartz grains

probably takes place here. Simple microcline pegmatites were introduced and successively later pegmatites become barren of feldspar and the latest are quartz-tourmaline or ~~rough~~ quartz alone. These late veins ~~are~~ apparently fill faults and tension cracks in the solid rocks. Fluorite is frequently a very late ~~is~~ introduction.

The rocks produced are high grade, and consisted of plagioclase and diopside chiefly, but like the gneisses suffered diaphoresis although not to such an extreme degree.

Secondary actinolite, epidote, albite ~~are~~ with sericite, chlorite and biotite are the ~~chief~~ main retrograde products. Complete sericitization is limited to narrow bands where shear is predominant.

The nomenclature of these hybrid rocks is difficult. The original term "Houghton diorite" is misleading in that it implies both a ~~of~~ constancy of composition and an igneous origin. The name "granulite" is used to ~~infer~~ imply a metamorphosed sediment, of high grade, rich in plagioclase, with quartz (when present) typically elongated.

(2) Leucocrats

Although of similar origin to the granulites, these are less abundant and constitute a distinct class. They are typified by their white colour, and complete lack of ferromagnesian minerals. diopside, actinolite, epidote and biotite and consist of feldspar and quartz with only minor amounts

of rutile, tourmaline, muscovite, sericite or ilmenite. Quartz is abundant and varies in amount from 50% to zero in different specimens. The feldspar is microcline or a plagioclal from albite to andesine, ~~and~~ with the former showing replacement textures well.

Within the limits stated, members of the group vary considerably as regards texture, grain size and composition. Examples from the vicinity of the Haughton School are

- (a) A fine grained, light blue-grey, homogeneous crystalline rock, indistinguishable in the hand specimen from a quartzite.
- (b) A fine grained white variety with a strong lincation due to ~~quartz grains~~ the elongation of quartz grains.
- (c) A white, extremely coarse grained, quartz-microcline pegmatitic rock.
- (d) A whitish rock, mainly fine grained feldspar with regular bands of granular quartz traversing it. This has the appearance of a partially feldspathified sandstone.
- (e) Towards the north, across the Little Para River, these rocks become increasingly stressed and retrograded to sericite schists.

These are the rocks which Benson⁵ called "gneissic aplites" and which are widely distributed in small quantities through the southern part of the area. A.

North-west of Inglewood, at the position marked "siliceous" on the map, is a large outcrop of a quartz rich leucocryst with glassy or laline opalescent quartz and only a very little feldspar. It is banded, ^{but} less

prominently than the granulites. It is moderately coarsely crystalline and appears to have been a recrystallized quartzite to which there have been only limited alkaline additions. Associated with it, in very small quantities are very coarse red granitoid rocks and white dioritoid types.

These rocks appear to have originated under somewhat similar conditions to the granulites ^{and} ~~but~~ differ primarily because of their original chemical composition. They are lower in lime, iron and magnesia, and are considered to be due to feldspathification of a pure arenaceous rock.

(3) Pegmatites and pegmatoids.

Apart from the simple quartz-microcline pegmatites which occur, there are of important even grained complex pegmatites carrying plagioclase, and which approach the leucocrates in characteristics.

The ~~is~~ irregular pegmatoid rock which Benson⁵ called "gatalite" is difficult to explain. ~~(He describes it as having a high titanium content, and plagioclase, original presence of diopside (now actinolite) and considerable apatite)~~

He describes it as "a coarse grained pegmatite, composed of walisite actinolite (after diopside), ~~is~~ allite containing microcline, titaniferous magnetite, sphene and quartz."

It occurs in ~~narrow~~ narrow bands and veins near Boughton but is notable as a very

large outcrop south-east of Herbrook (shown on the map). Here it occurs in a mass several hundred yards long, surrounded by a normal plagioclase granulite, and consists of extremely coarsely crystalline actinolite and ilmenite. The amphibole occurs in dark green crystalline masses, several feet across.

This may be regarded as a pegmatitic intrusion into the sediments, in which case the diopside, actinolite and ilmenite of the granulite would have been introduced as such, or as a basic segregation of excess ferromagnesian from the altered sediments by a process of metamorphic differentiation.

(d) Unclassified types

In addition to the major schists, gneisses, granulites and pegmatites, there occur minor amounts of rocks which are not strictly classified as above.

These occur as the hornblende gneisses of the Lower Gorge, the actinolite-calcite schists north-east of Haughton, the haemetite schists of Inglewood and Castanbul and the haemetite-quartzite north of Haughton.

An Archean quartzite, rich in magnetite is interbedded with the gneisses north of Castanbul.

In the Foresty Reserve of Hurling South, a band of quartz-tourmaline schist is found.

Sediments

Overlying unconformably the Archean metamorphic complex are the basal members of an Upper Proterozoic sedimentary series - the Adelaide System. The unconformity may only be seen in the northern parts of the inlier, the southern contacts being of the fault type. The unconformity may be seen well at

- (1) In a well led south of the road from One Tree Hill to the Humberg Scout Sanctuary. The actual erosion surface may be seen to be slightly overturned and dipping east at 85° and is stratigraphically overlain by 2' or so dark albic quartzite
 6' white albic sandstone
 at least 500' interbedded arenaceous sandstones, with lesser shales and greywaches.
- (2) A similar unconformity is seen north of this, ^{on} at the Sand Para River at the Devil's Nose. Here the contact is normal and dips steeply west.
- (3) On the east side near the junction of the Kerbool-Williamstown road and the track to the New Delaware Mine. There is a small quarry on the west of the road. Gneisses are overlain by arenaceous sandstones with a haemetite schist (Mt. Bersener type) notable.

Along the southern boundaries, there are major fault contacts where the sediments have been overthrust from the south mainly over the metamorphic pavement. The displacement is usually small, but in the south-east corner, the lower phyllite and a sandstone have been

moved up against the gneisses and implies considerable movement. Similarly just south of Paracouche there are small patches of quartz and lower Towner Dolomite completely disconnected from the sediments $\frac{1}{4}$ ~~to~~ mile to the south. These are small residual outliers remaining after erosion of the overthrust block.

An interesting feature in common between the two series of rocks is a pseudokonformity due to shearing at the junction. Along the southern parts of the western contact, namely at Castanbul and near the lower Hermitage Road $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Haughton, the basal ilmenitic sandstones of the Adelaide System have become involved in the same orogony or suffered by the older rocks.

Just at the edge the whole sandstones become schistose and merge into sericite-illite-quartz schists and thence into the Archaean complex. The amount of mixing at the edge is not determinable but is considered to be strictly limited.

The lower Towner Dolomite north of Castanbul shows the same orogony and becomes ~~quartz~~ recrystallized and green from illite impurities.

The Tertiary sediments consist of coarse ~~fragments~~ quartzite conglomerates with a ferruginous cement. These are considered to be ~~Murray~~ river gravels. They are abundant, at least 20' thick in parts and horizontally bedded.

Structure

The general structure of the area is that of a ~~mass~~ crystalline mass overlain unconformably by a younger sedimentary ~~series~~ ^{system}. Both of series are folded and faulted by the same and independent orogenic forces.

A discussion of the structure is considered under the divisions.

- (1) cleavage (schistosity and foliation)
- (2) faulting
- (3) folding
- (4) unconformity

The most prominent structural feature of the Archean rocks is the almost constant regional schistosity. The schists and gneisses show a regular flow cleavage produced by the micaceous sericite and illite striking at 170° , and although some variations up to 90° from this are found, deviations of more than 10° east or west are uncommon. It dips steeply east - usually at about 80° but varying at times from 65° E to vertical and 80° W.

The relationship of cleavage to bedding is not known, as compositional variations due to addition of felspar, together with metamorphic effects have completely obliterated any feature in the gneisses which may be interpreted as bedding. In some schists there is a distinct compositional banding perpendicular to the schistosity, but these are uncommon.

It is a notable feature that the regional schistosity of the Archean coincides frequently with the cleavage of the overlying Adelaide System. This suggests two alternatives -

- (1) The orogenic forces which operated

in deformed has coincided in direction to those operating since that time if the orogenesis of the sinking geosynclinal basin have been regular from earliest times.

(2) The schistosity may have been produced in the gneisses by forces acting much later, and that schistosity and the Adelaide system cleavage have been produced in Palaeozoic times concurrently.

Fracture cleavage is only sporadically developed in small shear zones.

The granulites lack a cleavage, but the notable characteristic is a regular compositional banding, interpreted as being formed by zoned crystallization and as indicating the position of original bedding. From the steeply dipping banding in the gneisses there is a regular gradual change to the shallower dipping foliation in the granulites. While the cleavage is regular, this banding varies considerably both in dip and strike. ~~At West~~ East of Kerbrook it is fairly constant at 140° strike dipping $60^\circ E$, while the phyllonitic schists cutting it trend at 170° with almost vertical schistosity. North of Houghton it dips as low as 40° back east and west, while the strike varies from 90° to 180° , although usually north-south. Folding, from small ptygmatic contortion to larger scale folds are found. Across the strike, about 1 mile north of Houghton, from west to east, there is a fold succession - syncline, anticline, syncline in the granulites.

Faulting, like the folding and cleavage, has been produced over an immense period ^{through} by a number of orogenic upheavals. Within the Archean there appear to have been ~~three~~ possibly three successive faulting periods characterized by the type of mineralization.

- (1) small faults through the centres of ptygmatic drag folds are obviously the first formed after the migmatite had reached a semi-competent stage.
- (2) faults of larger size showing small displacements filled with ilmenite.
- (3) large faults, similar to (2) but filled with quartz-tourmaline or lower quartz veins.

There is later faulting probably both Palaeozoic and Tertiary which has affected both the Complex and the Adelaide System.

There have been powerful forces (if mostly from the east) which have thrust the basal sediments against the pavement causing imbrication, brecciation and metamorphism of the ~~basal~~ ilmenitic sandstones. This has produced an area of brecciation just north-west of Gumwacha - where in a sub-triangular area ^{sides} ~~width~~ of approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long ~~parts~~ there is a conical zone containing granulites, schists, phyllites, sandstones and dolomite. A little mineralization (calcite, pyrites, gold) has occurred in this area.

The final faulting is of Tertiary age, and although differentiation between ^{the} 4 ages of faults is not always possible, these are usually most abundant, fresh and unmineralized.

The whole of the contact around the

southern portion of the Complex consists of a system of interlocking thrust faults.

The contact is unconformable to the north, and warping of the junction is seen.

There are repeated, both small and large strike faults in the sediments above, and these are seen to be approximately parallel to the schistosity of the gneisses and the axial planes of the folds in the granulites.

Topography

The geomorphology of the district is complex, being controlled by structural forms, durability of various rocks and fluctuations of the continental level, and a discussion will not be attempted.

The smaller rivers are controlled by the direction of faults or cleavage, while the older, larger rivers (Touren, South Para etc) are quite independent of even major structural features and are apparently dependant on old controls now no longer visible.

The Ancher Complex ^{quartz} forms a high rugged ridge up through the Humbug Swath where it is covered by a mass of undergrowth and trees. The granitoids weather to rounded hills with less undergrowth and the country to the south is well cultivated.

Economic Aspects

The association of minerals of economic importance with the old crystalline rocks is a normal feature and here deposits of gold, copper, silver and lead have been worked. The most important ~~is~~ ^{and} the gold of Humbug Swath ~~to which~~ ^{reference} may be made to Horsfield's ¹³ paper. ~~Copper~~ ^{minerals} - chalcopyrite and bornite are widespread, ~~but~~ ^{like} the galena etc ~~only~~ occur in economic concentrations.

Generally, many significant minerals occur, widely as chalcopyrite, ~~pyrite~~ ^{pyrite} bornite, pyrite, galena, ^{and} ~~but~~ ^{but} rarely are found in economic concentrations.

The iron ores limonite and hematite are common but still in insufficient quantities.

to warrant extraction.

borates is found as occasional "floaters" but not in any amount in situ.

The mineralization may be considered as

- (1) Hypodrenal disconnected with the metamorphism and metamorphism of the gneisses etc & at an early stage for
- (2) Epithermal - and associated with later faulting and brecciation.
- (3) Still later alluvial concentrations. Small specks of gold may be washed from most of the creeks of the area.

Discussion.

As the views presented here are in direct contrast with those of previous workers, it is desirable to summarize earlier theories and to determine whether they satisfactorily explain field and laboratory evidence.

One of the earliest references made to the granitoids is by Howchin¹⁴ 1906, where, in reference to Archean rocks of the Inana Valley he says: "The external appearance of these beds is very deceptive, for the molecular reconstruction has been so complete in many instances that what looks in general form like a sedimentary rock, shows, on fracture, complete crystalline structure." He considered them however to be of igneous nature and discusses a process of injection of schistose rocks by pegmatitic liquids to explain the formation of the gneisses.

Benson⁵ first performed detailed study on

the Houghton district and referred to "an intrusive plutonic series" together with sedimentary schists. A rock referred to as a soapstone-amphibolite which he described but did not find in situ ~~is considered~~ ^{could} ~~have~~ ^{be} not ~~been~~ again found, and is considered to have been transported from the abundant deposits to the east beyond Gumeracha. The ~~consideration~~ theory that the "Houghton diorite" is magmatic has been discarded and reasonable evidence advanced to suggest that it is not. Benson also includes in his "petrographic province" the rocks of Palmer, Adgate, Yanhalilla, Moonta, Alang, Jamestown ~~the~~ while "England" adds those of Myponga, ~~Mount~~ Congarr, Mt. Crawford, + Tanunda whereas later work (much as yet unpublished) indicates conclusively the existence of two epochs of metamorphism separated and distinct both in time and petrological characteristics.

It is considered that the ^{metamorphic} ~~rocks of igneous~~ ~~and~~ ~~rocks~~ of Houghton, Adgate, Mt. Congarr, Yanhalilla etc belong to the Archean and are termed the Western Province while those ~~granitic types~~ of Mt. Hitchener, Mt. Crawford, Palmer etc. are part-Adelaide System in age and constitute an Eastern Province. ^{with reference to the gneiss,} Hornfeld (1935) states that "the sedimentary origin of most of these rocks is evident. The only important exceptions to this are certain areas of gneiss in the Humberg Scrub —". He quotes a contact between the massive gneiss and the injected schists and "believes that the large-gneiss may represent an altered igneous intrusion, changed partly while still in the plastic condition."

Alderman did not agree confirm this, and later investigation ~~conclusively~~ shows that basically there is no difference between the rock types.

The most important contribution to the investigation of the age gneiss was by Alderman who ~~concluded~~ ^{stated} that the schists of the area were phyllites and that the injected schists and augen gneisses were the result of albitic addition - ~~by chemical analysis~~ ^{by the evidence of chemical analysis} he claimed that there was an introduction of soda silicate.

"If an examination of these rocks was based on field evidence alone the injection-metamorphism would appear to be a comparatively simple process consisting of the lit-por-lit injection into the schists of quartz-felspar pegmatite. The textural properties of the augen gneisses and their associates would have been developed in a subsequent period of dynamic metamorphism. A comparison of the chemical composition of the schists with that of the banded and augen gneisses shows however that the injecting material cannot have been quartz-felspar pegmatite" and concludes that it was a ^{soda} albitic-silicate.

As has been stated previously, the sericite schists we considered not to be simple low grade ~~phyllites~~ phyllites but to be the result of retrograde metamorphism on metasediments is the 'injection' of phyllites to form injection schists and gneisses could not have taken place. As the schists which are found are not primary and un-injected then Alderman's deduction of the addition of soda is unsupported by evidence.

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Aldeyfan also postulates that the dynamic metamorphism suffered by these rocks is due to a ~~mass~~ a localized increase in volume of the rocks to - "the whole rock would, therefore, nearly double its volume." The validity of this statement is questioned on ~~two~~ ^{the following} reasons.

(1) That a process of 'squeezing' of liquid magmatic fluid into solid rocks would take place if it involved such an increase in volume.

may not ~~take~~ ^{take} place without concomitant loss of material

(2) That the addition took place at constant weight and not constant volume. It is considered that all the metamorphism through the whole area took place gradually ~~at constant volume~~ without change of volume.

(4) That if such a volume change did occur, it would produce a regionally constant direction of schistosity.

Alderman also ^{suggests} ~~postulates~~ that the dynamic metamorphism suffered by these rocks is due to a bodily increase in volume — "the whole rock would, therefore, nearly double its volume". This is questioned, as such a mechanism would assume the following ^{statements} — each of which is doubted: —

(1) That a process of "squeezing" of liquid magmatic fluid into solid rocks could take place if it involved such an increase in volume.

(2) That the addition of alkalis took place without simultaneous loss of material.

(3) That the addition took place at constant weight and not (as is generally accepted) at constant volume.

(4) That if such a volume change did occur, it would produce a schistosity which is regionally constant.

In this paper the effects of retrograde metamorphism under low grade conditions is discussed and certain properties ^{of} of the rocks are ascribed to be effects of stress. These are

- (1) ^{the} undulose extinction of quartz
- (2) the shattering of crystals (quartz, feldspar, ilmenite)
- (3) the bending (or warping) of twin lamellae in plagioclase or of cleavages in mica
- (4) the rendering of normally uniaxial minerals biaxial.
- (5) the peripheral granulation ^{or} ~~and~~ sericitization of crystals.

It should be however observed that only portion of ^{the strain effects} ~~these~~ may be considered as being due solely

to large scale orogenic stresses as ~~many~~ Reynolds attributes them frequently to replacement effects. states that they may frequently be merely replacement effects.

X

Summary

Throughout the metamorphic series there occur a range of para-gneisses ranging from schists and gneisses to granulites, all being sediments which have suffered the combined effects of metamorphism to a high grade, metasomatism with the addition of potash to the schists and gneisses and potash and soda to the granulites, with later retrograde metamorphism well advanced.

The sediments, originally pelitic, calcareous and arenaceous reached the sillimanite grade in the south, garnet grade in southern and central parts and the biotite grade to the north. Alkali addition caused the formation of rocks of igneous and injected appearance and retrograde metamorphism caused the widespread processes of sericitization, unalutization, saussuritization and chloritization with the ~~also~~ production of abundant phylloinites.

metasomatism produced a range of migmatites (granulites and "injected" rocks.) Stress at this stage caused folding in the granulites, and continuation of orogenic forces caused later faulting and varied mineralization.

~~In Post Archean times - after deposition of the Adelaide system there has been~~

Since this time, retrograde metamorphism has been widespread and has caused the processes,

of recrystallization, unroofing, saussurization and chloritization, with the production of a range of phyllosilicate types.

Since the Adelaide System has been laid down unconformably on the crystalline rocks, orogenic forces have caused continued folding and faulting. These are attributed to Early Palaeozoic and Mid Tertiary times.

After the sedimentary deposition of Pre-Cambrian times the area has apparently been ~~one~~ tectonically, and subjected to continued erosion until the middle and late Tertiary when some gravels were deposited laid down.

XI Discussion of the Map

Due to limitations of scale a solid block ^{is presented,} plan, without minor features such as alluvial and Tertiary gravels both of which are however developed extensively.

The contacts between granulites and gneisses are frequently only approximate because of soil cover and poor outcrops and also because of the similarity in the two rock types, there being transitions between the two. For the

~~The fault contacts to the south are frequently difficult to see.~~ felspathic rocks, some massive, some massive, gneisses particularly north of Kerlock, are shown as gneisses although their affinity with the granulites is marked.

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Petrology.

The rocks are differentiated due to certain defined characteristics and into the divisions shown and chief petrological descriptions are appended for indicating the common textures and varieties within each group.

I ~~III~~ Granulites

(a) "Dioritic" types

(b) Dioritic varieties.

II ~~III~~ Schists

III ~~III~~ ~~IV~~ Gneisses Metamorphic rocks.

IV ~~III~~ Sediments (Hedberg System).

Other

108.

A typical example of the "diorite" from Redwood. Holocrystalline; fine grained with a slight directed texture due to strings of ilmenite grains. Chiefly feldspar (Oligoclase M_{30}) showing twinning on the Hkl or Hc and Hkl - perichlinal laws with refractive index above balsam and extinction in the symmetrical zone 11° . Biotite, for the most part altered to actinolite (as strongly idioblastic light colored needles or fibrous aggregates). Epidote is yellow in large yellow pleochroic crystals or in tiny colorless grains. There is no quartz or garnet feldspar present. Accessories are abundant colorless apatite, ilmenite and many tiny subhedral tourmaline prisms occur in the plagioclase.

This rock is a oligoclase-granulite

141.

A fine grained felspar rock from Herbrook having the general appearance of a quartzite in the hand specimen. It differs from 108 only by having a little granophyric quartz; a more basic plagioclase (Ab 68) and a somewhat finer diopside. Some of the plagioclase show bent twin lamellae. Accessories are rutile, apatite, epidote and zircon.

102.

Typical of the cross-bedded granulites from Herbrook this rock has alternate coarse crystalline light colored beds and fine grained greyish beds, the latter showing the actinolitic cross-bedding. The

The slide was cut so as to show portion of both beds and reveals that the only differences apart from grain size between them are (1) quartz is abundant in the fine grained portion (this band shows the cross bedding and is apparently nearer the original state of the rock) while lacking in the coarse portions.

(2) ferromagnesian are less abundant in the fine part.

The abundant plagioclase is Andesine (Ab 68) while actinolite is well developed frequently as closely packed fibrous bands across the slide.

Accessories are epidote, ilmenite, apatite.

113.

A similar cross bedded granulite to 107. The main plagioclase is oligoclase Ab₇₂ in irregularly shaped crystals. There is a perthite microcline present - also actinolite and a little quartz. There is ~~now~~ practically no residual pyroxene remaining. Ilmenite is abundant.

Accessory biotite, epidote and zircon.

129.

This is an example of the schistose granulite. A dark rock with a distinct banding and a fissility imparted parallel to it by micas.

In the microscope slide, the change from a homogeneous granoblastic texture to that of a gneiss is well illustrated. There are alternate bands

(a) granular microcline perthite and quartz with

(b) fine grained sericite - chlorite schistose bands.

The quartz shows undulatory extinction and granulation while the microcline shows fracture and peripheral sericitization.

In the schistose parts, skeletal crystals of plagioclase showing twinning remain or vague residuals after practically complete replacement by sericite. There is a

considerable amount of white mica in cracks and ^{enclaves} ~~inclusions~~ within the quartz and feldspar as though partial had entered along cracks and partially replaced the minerals.

Biotite is moderately well crystallized

and there is accessory leucosane, apatite, zircon
& ilmenite

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Strongly banded gneissic granulite, foliation are
alternately dark and light being rich in
ferromagnesian or felyon. respectively. A
broken face parallel to the banding shows
a strong degree of preferred orientation in
green chlorite.

The thin section was cut so as to show
back a light and dark band and like
No. 129 shows a basic detail in the
petrology of the granulites. The light part
of the rock is rich in uncrushed felyon
Albite (Ab 42) while the darker portion
shows recrystallization of the plagioclase
particularly along cleavage. There is present
also biotite, uncrushed albite granules,
chlorite and quartz - the latter being abundant
- frequently granophyric with the felyon.
Accessories are crushed ilmenite and zircon

161.

B. The specimen is representative of a biotite
rich schistose band (shown on the
map in the south-east corner) in the
Kashmir granulite.

Microscopically it is a fine grained rock
consisting of micaceous perthite and a few,
brown, irregularly ^{coloured} shaped biotite.

Accessories are apatite - zircon while

ilmenite is abundant.

85.

North West of Douglas, up the Little Pova River.
A light colored, rather more coarsely grained rock than the average stony plagioclase with macroscopically visible multiple twinning and a little blue opalescent quartz.

Despite its uninteresting appearance in the hand specimen, in this section shows considerable sericitization with the resultant texture of many ragged porphyroblasts set in a fine grained micaceous groundmass. The plagioclase is oligoclase (Ab₇₅). Microcline showing an inverted stage in the replacement by plagioclase shows the coarse anti-perthitic form. It is notable that the microcline is always finer than the plagioclase, where the sericitization takes place from the outside - and preferentially along cracks and twin planes.

Accessories are rutile with leucosine surrounding it, also muscovite as fairly large crystal flakes.

295.

In this variation - the texture is far more regular with quartz (58%) feldspar (chiefly microcline) - 22% and biotite (7%) in a fine even grained granoblastic aggregate.

Quartz shows slight elongation while the microcline is fresh and a little oligoclase is present. Biotite occurs as commonly

diverted, well spaced laths with dark brown pleochroism.

Accessories are apatite, muscovite, ilmenite and zircon totalling 2.7%.

225.

Quarry in Gorge the Lower Gorge.

A light colored rock with very little ferro-magnesian minerals.

Microscopically it is fine grained and consists chiefly of a rather coarse microcline-alkali perthite with lesser quartz, subhedral micas, epidote and calcite. Sericitization has taken place in whorls and patches.

60.

Lower Gorge quarry.

This has the appearance of a gneissic granite being a light colored quartz-feldspar rock with abundant black, commonly orientated black mica.

In this section it is a moderately coarse grained rock with little directional features apparent. It consists chiefly of perthitic microcline with slightly lesser quartz frequently drawn out into elongated forms. Biotite is not well crystallized and a little oligoclase is present. R.

Accessories are rutile with much leucosene, zircon.

Sericitization is well advanced.

Kenbrook. A light brownish rock with elongated bluish opalescent quartz, together with much feldspar and biotite and a little epidote. Microscopically it is holocrystalline, hypidiomorphic with granoblastic texture consisting of quartz, fresh microcline, cloudy plagioclase and biotite with accessory apatite, ilmenite, leucosarc, magnetite and zircon.

The quartz is frequently elongated, the microcline shows cross hatching, and the plagioclase is an oligoclase (Ab₁₂). Biotite is abundant as irregular lath, pleochroic from light yellow to green. Epidote is present as the two common varieties, yellow and colorless.

Analysis.

SiO ₂	69.25
Al ₂ O ₃	13.90
Fe ₂ O ₃	2.64
FeO	1.47
MgO	1.53
CaO	2.47
Na ₂ O	3.03
K ₂ O	4.66
H ₂ O ⁺	.49
H ₂ O ⁻	.17
P ₂ O ₅	.13
MnO	.01
TiO ₂	.91
CO ₂	
BaO	trace
S.	trace

Norm.Mode:

quartz	26.1
microcline	31.4
plagioclase	32.3
biotite	9.3
access	.9%

The rock is monzonitic in composition.

125B.

A light grey, medium grained, banded rock chiefly pink feldspar with prominent ilmenite and actinolite.

In thin sections the rock is typified by the abundance of plagioclase much obscured by alteration and in many cases showing partial replacement of microcline, the latter being fresh in appearance. Unaltered diopside with accompanying actinolite is abundant. Epidote, ilmenite with rutile, are present while apatite ^{appears as} shows large crystals, some showing square isotropic sections.

Strongly bedded, crystalline rock with the usual fine and coarse alternating ~~shales~~ and ^{grey} ~~grey~~ ^{white} bands, the latter carrying frequent large white plagioclase crystals and irregular patches of ilmenite, epidote and actinolite.

Microscopically similar to 102 with a little more ferromagnesian. The alteration of epidote to actinolite is well shown and the plagioclase is an oligoclase.

11

A light grey rock with a fine even grained texture and regular wide (1-2 cm.) bands traversing it.

Microscopically the rock consists of quite large cloudy plagioclase, ^{interlocking} crystals of irregular shape, ~~interlocked~~ with subordinate microcline, diopside, actinolite, and epidote.

The plagioclase is frequently antiperthitic with relicts of similarly orientated microcline disturbed though it. The twins are frequently bent, and warped twin planes give irregular non-symmetrical extinction angles. There is a little peripheral granulation.

Apatite is abundant as quite large, brownish crystals, pleurotic with absorption $\chi > \kappa$ and biaxially positive with a $2V = 42^\circ$. Epidote is frequently intimately associated with it.

Ilmenite often has actinolite growing around it.

14.

A light colored rock of fresh appearance with a slightly gneissic and irregular texture, consisting chiefly of feldspar with a little dark green actinolite and yellow-green epidote in veins and patches.

In thin section it is a medium grained crystalline rock with no particular directed texture, consisting chiefly of plagioclase with droopide, actinolite and epidote. There is abundant accessory ilmenite with leucosine, a pale biotite, and tiny cuboidal tourmaline crystals.

The plagioclase is much fresher than usual and is an albite: - it contains the antiperthitic microcline.

6.

A even grained crystalline rock, consisting chiefly of white feldspar, but with irregular bands rich in finely micaceous biotite.

Microscopically a medium grained crystalline rock, the texture being chiefly granoblastic but tending towards gneissose in those parts rich in biotite.

The feldspars are most abundant, being fresher than usual and consisting of a almost pure Albite (Ab98) and microcline as the coarse antiperthite. The albite is most abundant and is frequently untruncated even in large crystals while fresh granules of regenerated feldspar are abundant in the schistose granod mass.

In one part a gneissic texture is produced by a fresh pale green to brown biotite with some chlorite - the mica occurring as abundant sheets and poorly formed laths, both large and small. These have the appearance of being secondary - being produced in a band of shear.

Apatite is an abundant and well formed (frequently hexagonal or lath sections) accessory, together with ilmenite and a little leucosene, and zircon.

39.

A compact ~~gray~~ fine grained grey, banded rock with the general appearance in the hand specimen of a quartzite.

In the thin section the rock is rather leucocratic - being deficient in ferromagnesian with ^{with} granoblastic texture and consisting mainly of isohedral ~~micro~~ xenoblastic microcline and quartz. A little plagioclase - Andesine (Ab63) is present, while muscovite as narrow laths, and fresh green biotite and a little chlorite are the only notable.

A carbonate mineral, presumably calcite - although the idioblastic outlines suggest dolomite is abundant. Accessories are zircon and rutile.

(b) Democlastic granulites

These are in general, light colored rocks, of varying textures and grain-size notable because of the complete lack of the typical minerals of the normal granulites - diopside, actinolite, hornblende, epidote and biotite and also because of the frequent abundance of quartz.

172. A+B.

Quarry south of the Houghton School:

This is the type described by Beasly as a gneissic aplite. It is a ~~white~~ pure white color, fine grained, with the general appearance of a quartzite but which on close inspection is seen to consist chiefly of crystalline feldspar with an extremely well marked lincation due to highly extremely elongated quartz grains - to 1.5 mm in length but about 1 mm. diameter. In the field this lincation is a regional feature and is as constant as the schistosity in other rocks.

The rock slides A+B are sections cut across and along the lincation respectively.

(A). Crystalline with a regular, fine grained texture with approximately equal amounts of rounded crystals of quartz and feldspar. The majority of the latter is a plagioclase - Andesine Ab68 - frequently enclosing relicts of cross-hatched microcline as antiperthitic relicts. Accessories are a little muscovite and zircon.

B. This shows the drawn out nature of the quartz - which does not show marked undulose extinction. Muscovite is more abundant than in A.

2.

Quarry North of Houghton school

A similar somewhat related rock to 177, this is white and fine grained, with a slight banding and a few flakes of muscovite.

Microscopically a granoblastic aggregate of orthoblastic microcline and quartz. A little orthopyroxene plagioclase. Albite Ab₉₂ is present. Muscovite occurs as quite large colorless flakes while there are some whips and patches of a fine sericitic mica. Ilmenite and rutile are abundant accessories.

171.

Quarry south of Houghton school

A tenebrous quartz-feldspar rock of coarse grain with only a little dark mineral.

In thin section the rock is seen to have a coarse grain than usual and consists of large subhedral crystals of plagioclase - Andesine Ab₆₉ - with subordinate quartz. There are accessory rutile and tourmaline. The plagioclase is twinned on the Albite or combined Albite - Pericline laws and shows some twin lamellae bent. Alteration has produced a mass of tiny white mica flakes as inclusions - the clauding being frequently more dense towards the outer

parts of the crystals; or along cleavages and
thin lamellae.

159

Hersbrook.

A white colored, fine grained, crystalline
felspar rock with the appearance of a
quartzite. A little mica, hornblende
is enclosed in joints.

Microscopically the rock is practically all
irregularly shaped plagioclase crystals
oligoclase - Andesine Ab70 - with only a little
biotite, sericite, chlorite, ilmenite and some
tiny cubical tourmaline. There is a
little antiperthitic microcline and quartz is
entirely lacking.

200. * to page 24

Forest near Hurling Brook.

This is a ~~black, schist~~ tourmaline schist
which is considered here for convenience. It
is not a ~~leucocratic~~ granulite but being
of metamorphic origin ~~it is~~ and even
less thin to the general types of schists it
is described here.

A dark colored, fine grained somewhat
schistose rock consisting of an aggregate
of black crystalline tourmaline with lesser
quartz. It is quite distinct from the quartz
tourmaline veins or graphic
intergrowths.

Microscopically a medium to fine
grained rock with diablastic texture, it

consists solely of ^{approximately} equal amounts of tourmaline and quartz. While the former appears to be more abundant in the hand specimen, the latter predominates in thin section. Finesse is not developed and the texture is granular.

The quartz is frequently elongated and shows marked undulose extinction. The tourmaline is usually quite large and euhedral while the smaller crystals approach idiomorphic outlines. Pleochroism is strong.

e - light greenish yellow

w - deep green-brown

There is necessary fusion.

1

Next to Doughton School.

A white irregularly grained quartz-felspar crystalline rock, the quartz being concentrated as grains in bands. Tourmaline, muscovite and rutile are visible in tiny grains.

Microscopically a granoblastic rock with felspar and quartz, the latter being mainly concentrated in a band across the slide although also interstitial between the felspar.

Plagioclase and microcline are both present the former allite Ab₉, ^{frequently} twinned on both allite and pericline laws and the latter often coarsely antiperthitic.

Rutile is well crystallized and is accessory with muscovite (and sericite), and tiny euhedral tourmalines. There is some washing and sericitization.

II Schists

Macroscopically these rocks are fine grained, micaceous and markedly schistose, varying in colour from grey (sericite) to various shades of yellowish green to dark green (chlorite). Field observations ~~invariably~~ together with ~~laboratory~~ laboratory work invariably indicate them to be phyllonitic and not simple low grade phyllites. The uniformity of the schists over the area indicate that there are no purely low grade rocks present.

Microscopically they are shown to be identical with the schistose groundmass of the argon gneisses, and are the result of the retrograde mineralogical degradation of high grade minerals to low mineral stable under low grade regional metamorphism with shearing forces high. There has been some pure cataclastic effects. They show a finely micaceous schistose texture and consist of sericite with chlorite and biotite; the mica frequently forming round scattered small ~~poor~~ porphyroblastic relicts of fragmented and stored quartz.

47.

A band ~~from~~ within enclosed traversing the granulite at Englemood.

A highly fissile rock, pale green in colour consisting of sericite and chlorite.

In this section, the texture is fine grained with a foliation due to strings of quartz porphyroblasts parallel to a schistosity formed by the common orientation of small laths of sericite and chlorite.

Quartz is plentiful, in ~~the~~ clear and colorless, in broken and irregularly shaped crystals. The micas are a colorless sericite in small laths, and a chlorite pleochroic from yellow to green as whorls and sheafs.

Calcite is also present as idioblastic crystals slightly brownish and pleochroic - each crystal being intimately associated and surrounded by a dash, ^{semi-}opaque skeleton which resolves itself into rutile with some haematite.

The breakdown of sphene to calcite plus rutile is not recorded and seems doubtful.

Tourmaline is an abundant accessory as pleochroic brown prisms and hexagonal sections - the latter frequently showing colour zoning with a lighter centre.

Pyrite is also abundant.

50.

A pale green schist of phyllitic appearance with a distinct banding and a well developed schistosity.

Microscopically very schistose, consisting of a finely divided aggregate of flakes of sericite and chlorite with grounds of quartz. The latter shows granulation and recrystallization in lenticular groups - elongated in the direction of the schistosity.

Colorless sericite and pale chlorite constitute the schistose part, flakes being frequently set at right angles to the fissile direction.

A string of rutile grains also cuts

across the schistosity. There is accessory apatite.

204.

A dark green coloured schistose rock, consisting apparently of a green mica. It occurs as a band cutting the granulites of the Daves Gorge.

Microscopically it shows a well directed, highly schistose texture with small porphyroblasts of quartz, untwinned plagioclase, rutile ilmenite and apatite.

The mica is mainly a green ragged biotite with an abundance of pale green chlorite, both frequently set at an angle to the schistosity. Augers of apatite are frequent. Accessories include leucocene and micaceous haematite.

13.

A soft green schist composed chiefly of micaceous material ^{and} actinolite ~~and~~ ^{and} has with bands of white calcite.

In this section this schist differs completely from the usual phyllonite. The schistosity is at a high angle to the conventional bedding due to calcite. Minerals are fresh ~~and~~, well crystallized and are mostly orientated similarly, consisting of amphibole, mica, calcite and quartz. The amphibole is present in the two varieties with a pale

a colorless tremolite growing around the pleochroic brown hornblende. The two appear to be in perfect optical continuity - the tremolite often ~~is~~ having the same extinction angle (from a cleavage traversing both minerals) and interference figure. The junction between the colorless and uncolored varieties is sharp.

Also present are a green biotite and a pale green perovskite. Ilmenite is seen in an advanced stage in the breakdown to ~~leucosine~~ ^{leucosine} and microscopic kaeserite.

Accessories are apatite & epidote, while a band rich in quartz cuts the slide.

III Gneiss.

These ^{rocks} gneisses are of the so-called injected or migmatitic types and may be classed as orange gneiss or banded gneiss - the 2 in the field these two varieties merge insensibly into banded gneiss each side and into banded granulites or schists.

66

Castanet

A light grey gneiss, irregular and coarse in grain with large (3 cm.) feldspars and some quartz enclosed in a micaceous mass of sericite and chlorite.

Microscopically very coarse grained with large rounded and altered nuggets of feldspar and quartz surrounded by a fine mesh of mica flakes.

Feldspars are chiefly a fresh microcline with lesser much altered plagioclase - a pure Albite (Ab 98). The alteration has taken place along cracks and cleavages and large areas of the plagioclase are frequently made over to an aggregate of white mica. Twin lamellae are often bent. The microcline is perthitic and also contains granophyric quartz. The latter usually occurring in large irregular crystals - clear and colorless with undulose extinction.

Biotite as very ragged laths, often in intimate growths with sericite and chlorite from which it is forming or to which it

is altering. Ilmenite is fragmented and in places iron appears to have been released to form a dark mass as a zone about the iron ore in the general matrix of sericite.

The schistose portion contains much sericite, biotite, chlorite, ilmenite and frequently skeletal relicts of albite may be seen covered by a replacing mass of sericite.

Accessories are apatite, calcite, zircon and rutile.

78 Zone. Gorge.

This is the type rock for a variety of massive, dark colored argon gneisses which constitute the major rocks of the southern part of the area. They may contain sillimanite or garnet or both.

No. 78 a dark grey massive to gneissic rock with white fibres of sillimanite and also occasional small patches of chlorite after garnet.

Microscopically this rock possesses the common gneissic texture with large stered and broken porphyroblasts of quartz and often microcline in a well directed schistose matrix.

Sericite is present as fresh tabular crystals or in all stages to complete ~~and~~ sericitification. Garnet is less abundant and shows chloritization, after remaining ^{first} as relict fragments surrounded by perthite.

The biotite is typical of these sillimanite gneisses and is similar to that found in

similar rocks at Broken Hill, Vanhallila etc - being very dark brown, strongly pleochroic and riddled with tiny opaque inclusions of iron ore. It is seen as intergrowths with quartz, sericite, sillimanite and chlorite.

Pyrites is quite a common and prominent accessory.

78B Similar but containing sillimanite but not garnet.

78C. Similar with sillimanite and only a little garnet remaining although chlorite pseudomorphs are common.

75 This gneiss contains only a little sillimanite, with no garnet although Zircon occurs as quite large crystals.

201

Kerchook.

In the hand specimen garnet is visible as abundant tiny brown grains, concentrated in bands. Sillimanite is not present.

21.

Gorge Brook Quarry.

Sillimanite and garnet are not present, while biotite is abundant.

224.

See Jones Gorge.

A dark green gneiss with a fine schistose groundmass of hornblende and biotite with

small angles of feldspar. This is not a typical

The angles gneiss, being one of the extremely varied types in the zone between the banded granulites and the true angle gneiss.

Microscopically the rock is seen to consist of bands rich in hornblende or feldspar these being the only constituents of any importance.

The plagioclase is extremely altered and is Andesine (Ab 68) while the hornblende is the fresh brown variety with associated tremolite.

Accessories are epidote, apatite, sericite, ilmenite and zircon.

IV Archa Metamorphic Rock.

Here we considered several odd specimens which do not fit in with the groups mentioned previously.

200 From page 14.

84.

Little Para River.

This is a rock of which only one specimen was found - a black haemetite quartzite. It was found within the Archa ~~rock~~^{area} and is one of the older rocks.

A hard, massive quartzite of darkly flinty grey being essentially homogeneous and possessing no directed characteristics.

Microscopically a very fine grained quartzite with a notable amount of micaceous haemetite present. The iron ore lies in compositional banding in one direction and is elongated giving a schistosity at widely varying - frequently high - angles to this.

37

A light colored fine grained quartzite from just within the Archa boundary, interbedded with gneisses. Sericitic material gives it a somewhat schistose aspect, ~~as~~ while it is notable because of the abundance of glittering grains of magnetite.

In this section it is a fine grained quartz rock of uneven texture with ~~so~~ abundant cuboidal magnetite, with some

(3) continued) wisps and patches of micaceous material.

Some of the gravel show recrystallization about the larger magnetite crystals, while fine, opaque iron ore is abundant through the shale. Also present is sericite with lesser pale green biotite and a little cloudy feldspar.

Necessaries are Gypsum and taunminite.

V Sediments of the Adelaide System.

Close to the Archean margin various younger sediments, acted on by later metamorphic processes assume interesting appearances.

218. A

A light coloured highly schistose rock consisting chiefly of sericite with bands or patches of green mica, frequently at 30° to the schistosity. There is a slightly speckled appearance due to small grains of ilmenite. This is a sheared ilmenitic-auriferous - basal sandstone, in the field it is almost indistinguishable from the older sericite schist.

Microscopically it differs from the retrograde phyllonites - the sheared nature is apparent and plagioclase relicts are lacking.

Cracks in the abundant quartz are filled often filled with ^{sericitic} mica oriented para in parallel orientations; frequently associated with leucosene, which is abundant.

Green chloritic mica is present as whips and patches.

2

Lower Zone Dolomite.

A pale green crystalline dolomite with masses of glossy green chlorite imparting a schistose tendency. There has been recrystallization of the carbonate in veins and patches.

Microscopically a partially recrystallized rock consisting almost entirely of dolomite which varies considerably in grain size. Some of the carbonate shows multiple twinning.

The only other minerals present ~~are~~ ^{are} a pale fibrous chlorite, ~~limonite~~ with a little quartz, limonite and magnetite.

Mineralogy.

As a preliminary to a discussion of the
 As a preliminary to a petrological
 discussion, the characteristics and more
 important optical properties of each
 individual mineral found in the area
 will be presented; approximately in order
 of importance or abundance.

I. Felspar.

Abundant felspar is a characteristic of all
 but the highly sheared phyllonitic schists
 and either microcline or a moderately acid
 plagioclase occurs in widely varying amounts
 depending on the rock type. Generally -

- (a) the schists carry little or recognizable felspar
 - apart from tiny granules of untwinned
 albite
- (b) the gneisses carry microcline with amounts
 of plagioclase (albite to andesine) usually
 low. The common sillimanite-garnet
 gneiss usually lacks plagioclase
- (c) the gneisses are notably felsparitic -
 with perthitic microcline and antiperthitic
 plagioclase (albite to andesine) in widely
 varying proportions.

Plagioclases vary from an almost pure albite
 Ab₉₈ with extinction angle from 0 to 19° to an
 andesine Ab₀ angle 0°. Twinning is
 usually ^{present} on the albite law and frequently
 the Pericline law is added, but may be
 absent. Strain effects however are
 noticeable giving (1) bent twin lamellae
 (2) undulose extinction
 (3) warped twin lamellae

(4) irregular secondary twinning

(5) peripheral granulation.

The feldspar is almost invariably clouded due to extensive alteration and compositions could not be estimated by complete orientation methods procedure, ^{and} ~~rather than~~. The ~~method~~ ~~used~~ ~~the~~ class of plagioclase was reckoned by the Zonal method which gave certain anomalies.

Symmetrical extinction angles to 0° were by no means satisfactory. ~~in~~ rotation of the crystal on the universal stage so that the twin plane is vertical, do not always give symmetrical angles, and the possible reasons for this are several.

(1) difference in composition across the twin plane.

(2) warping of the twin plane

In reference to (1) it is noticeable that those crystals which show angles $18^{\circ}-16^{\circ}$, $18^{\circ}-14^{\circ}$ etc have a differing degree of alteration in each set of twins. ^{note,} "Tramons states" a very disturbing occurrence of such variations is in adjacent twin lamellae which may differ optically in composition by more than 10%.

Actual recognition of warping of the twin plane is possible and the effect of this while appreciable is unmeasurable.

It is sometimes noticeable that maximum symmetrical extinction angles, sometimes vary as much as 5° between various members of the same rock and this is believed to be due to actual compositional differences which would amount to five percent — in the

2 specimens
Nos. 177, 1258, 2 etc

description of the rocks, in each case the maximum angles only are given.

The optical properties are as usual, normal, ~~biaxial~~ interference figures are biaxial and from allite to andesine the optical sign is positive to negative to positive, with axial angles from 80-90°.

Also one of the most significant features present is that of a coarse antiperthitic intergrowth which only occurs in the ~~graphitic~~ ~~allite~~ ~~area~~, quite large crystals of microcline are enclosed by a matrix of plagioclase - (usually allite) with each individual inclusion in a group in complete optical continuity with the host and the other inclusions. Where both feldspars show twinning, this uniformity of orientation is obvious.

The ~~oro~~ direction of the allite twinning in each feldspar coincides exactly, while the twin planes of the microcline and perthitic twinning in the potash and soda feldspars respectively are at 56° to each other - thus the ~~oro~~ coincides also. This ~~quartz~~ feature is due to a replacement of the potash feldspar by soda and implies an introduction of soda into these rocks.

The alteration of the plagioclase which is invariably well advanced gives rise to small colourless granules of epidote or to a multitude of small colourless mica laths, frequently orientated parallel to the twin planes. This ~~is~~ ^{as} may be the soda mica paragonite but ~~the~~ allite is usually stable ~~and~~ under such metamorphic conditions and appears to form

merely small clear untwinned grains, even under the most severe conditions of shear, such does not seem likely. At times the alteration is more advanced around edges ~~of~~ of crystals, cleavages and twin planes, as though the source of potash was outside the crystal. ^{However} but for the majority the explanation appears to be that the plagioclase, formed by the replacement of microcline, contained an appreciable amount of potash held in unstable solid-solution and under stress conditions this was rejected as a psuedomorph white mica. In the more quartziferous shered rocks the plagioclase is replaced progressively by increasing amounts of sericite until there is a near joint skeleton showing multiple twinning in a highly orientated mesh of fine sericite laths. This implies an addition of potash, which is supplied by the simultaneous breakdown of microcline to sericite.

The application of the calcic content of plagioclases as an indication of metamorphic grade or facies would not be ~~supported in this case~~ as strictly accurate in these rocks, as the lack of equilibrium is indicated frequently.

Aligoclase is the most abundant variety, and is the almost unvarying member in the quartziferous, while albite is more common in rocks in the South Western corner of the area. It seems a valid generalization that the Beekmantown quartziferous carry a more basic plagioclase and the acidity increases

to the east.

It is a striking fact that the *gneissillites*, which are chiefly felspar and which consequently appear free from any schistosity (as differentiated from a foliation) show a high degree of preferred orientation and anisotropy when even a brief petrofabric analysis is conducted.

The potash felspar is invariably microcline and orthoclase was not found. Cross hatching is frequent and even those not showing twinning were found in complete orientation to be crystalline. It is commonly ^{micro-}perthite, containing albite as moderately coarse, elongated, ribbon-like lenticles, and appears to be a normal high temperature exsolution perthite. This variety occurs in both gneisses and *gneissillites*.

Extinction angles from 0° divergence is 12°. It is noticeable in the hard gneiss that the microcline is white while the plagioclase is flesh colored in contradistinction to the usual habit. Also in this section the microcline is colorless and fresh, and sericitization only takes place from the edges of crystals.

All stages of fragmentation and alteration are seen.

Quartz is one of the most abundant minerals of the schists and gneisses while occurring to a far less degree in the gneissites. Macroscopically it may be colorless and glassy or ^{slightly} frequently blue and opalescent. In thin section it is clear and colorless, varying in shape from rounded granophytic shapes to irregular, lobate and lenticular outlines.

In the schists, quartz is the only mineral of any appreciable size and is seen as irregular porphyroblasts set in a matrix texture.

In the leucocratic rocks and less frequently in the gneissites, it occurs as extremely elongated (index of elongation as high as ten) rounded crystals, formed by flow and recrystallization under conditions of high temperature and pressure.

Many crystals frequently enclose small rounded and elongated blobs of granophytic quartz. This has the appearance in different specimens of being ^{both} introduced and replaced quartz.

Optically the quartz is uniaxial and uniaxial with frequently a low axial angle.

Investigation of the undulose and shadowy extinction ~~of the quartz~~ shows it to be the result of flow and partial recrystallization of the quartz rather than the result of strain distorting the crystal lattice.

It seemed most likely that the undulose extinction would be caused by differing

optical orientations in various parts of the crystal and as one gave a difference in extinction of 60° between the ends it was desired to plot the optic axes to show distortion of individual crystals. Distortion on the universal stage showed that crystals either extinguished completely in one common direction so that all optical axes were parallel to the axis of the microscope or that as in a certain position the crystal was revealed to be made up of several portions with slightly different orientations with sharp divisions between them. It thus appears that the malrose effect is here produced by the gradual recrystallizing with steady lamellar growth towards a common orientation between two originally distinct fragments. The junction between the two is sharp when viewed in the correct direction, but at angles oblique to this there appears to be an area of intermediate orientation between the two - this being caused by the light passing through two successive crystals. See fig.



(a)



(b)

Amphiboles, are members of the tremolite - actinolite and the hornblende series and are the most abundant ferromagnesian mineral found. They occur only in the graphitic and the transition to schist and their immediate derived schists and gneisses and not at all in the leucocrysts or orange gneisses.

(2) All members of the tremolite - actinolite series are represented, being secondary or weathering alteration products from diopside and vary in color from completely colorless (white in hand specimen) to shades of pale green. There is a close relation between these and the fresh brown hornblende and the two are frequently intimately associated.

The tremolite - actinolite is pleochroic for

- X - colorless
- Y - very faint green
- Z - pale green

and the hornblende

- X yellow green
- Y green
- Z brownish green.

The two have identical optical properties and are biaxially positive with $2V$ of 70° and an extinction angle measured $Z.N.C.$ of 22° . The lighter variety is sometimes found growing around the brown kyanite with a sharp color change between them but with cleavage continuing across both, and with the same extinction position and optical properties.

The amphibole occurs as tabular,

The double refraction is moderate, colour up to 2nd order being visible

felted or idiomorphic needle-like crystals as
growths about ^{the} pyroxene and also about
epidote, and is, usually in origin.

A light green fibrous actinolite is
frequently visible as individual grains, or as veins
through the quartzites. Large masses occur
in the pegmatite Vatalite (See Benson) and
in an outcrop near Herkbeck crystals are
a foot across are visible. In certain
of the quartzites a structure simulating
iron-bedding is seen, traced out by green
actinolite. This is a persistent feature and
is believed to be mimetic after original iron
bedding in ironite, indicating the sedimentary
origin of the crystalline rocks.

The pyroxene which occurs is a pale green diopside and remains only as relicts surrounded by zoisite. It occurs only in the quartzites and is rarely found unaltered.

This decomposition makes determination of exact optical data impossible but it is found to be biaxially positive with a moderately low axial angle. Extinction angles from tabular cleavages are ca. 40° .

The diopside indicates the original high grade of metamorphism of these rocks and also shows the original sediment to be rich in lime and magnesia while its converted zoisitification reveals the progress of the retrograde metamorphism.

Micas

Various members of the mica groups are important constituents of most of the rock types - the abundance and variety depending on the rock. They are :-

- (a) white mica - there appear to be two generations which are referred to here as muscovite (primary) and sericite (secondary)
- (b) biotite - also primary and secondary
- (c) chlorite - diaphoretic product.

(a) White mica found almost invariably as minute laths of sericite is of major importance while large, well crystallized (frequently bent) crystals of muscovite - quite uncommon are considered primary metamorphic products i.e. those formed in the original regional processes, not by later low grade phases.

The sericite which is the chief part of the schistose groundmass of schists and gneisses is ~~also~~ secondary and appears to form from a variety of minerals - indicating a general addition of potash in low grade conditions with shear acting. By Turner's² classification this would be the muscovite - chlorite sub-facies of the greenschist facies. It is frequently seen in overstepped stages of formation and the origins are considered -

From microcline:

In stressed rocks, microcline is frequently seen to become granulated at the periphery and further to be crushed or crushed.

with the accompanying breakdown to a potash mica. This transformation is common³ and as it involves a liberation of potash may be the source of at least part of the migrating potash in these rocks. That there was sufficient microcline originally present to allow the formation of such quantities of mica is debatable.

From sillimanite.

Sillimanite, especially in the gneisses of the Towns Gorge is seen to be altering to a mass of sericite laths as a retrograde effect. Billings⁴

This process is apparently almost identical to the one occurring at the Gorge and Billings concludes (from not very convincing evidence) that the potash was introduced from an outside source.

Harber³ gives the reaction

With plagioclase:

A notable feature of the plagioclase in many of these rocks is the clauding due to abundant, minute laths of a white mica or inclusions frequently orientated parallel to the albite twin-plane. This mica appears to be sericite rather than a soda-mica paragonite. This process is mentioned previously (p 3) under a consideration of plagioclase.

(b) Biotite

The dark mica which predates the retrograde processes is in ragged laths, frequently bent, with pleochroism from light to a very dark brown. There are usually abundant inclusions of

- (a) iron ore in the southern part of the area
- (b) rutile grains in the northern part
- (c) interlocked quartz (elongated)
- (d) sericite (interlocked)
- (e) chlorite (interlocked)

There is a fresh light green mica in irregular flakes which appears to be usually secondary.

Biotite is of frequent occurrence in the schists and gneisses, but is sporadic in the granulites - although the rocks ~~are~~ in the most northerly part of the granulite area near Houghton may be particularly rich in dark mica.

In some gneisses it is seen to be the product of a reaction between ilmenite and sericite. Diagram 1. shows the area immediately surrounding a fractured

ilmeneite crystal is rich in a green biotite while the mica further away is sericitic almost solely.

(c) Chlorite.

This mica imparts a notable green colour to many of the schists but in quantity is relatively unimportant. A pale green to colourless mica with very low birefringence - interference colours being in low greys or anomalous blues - it appears to be a pennite. It is the index mineral showing the low grade conditions under which the diaptorosis took place.

It forms by the breakdown of higher grade minerals particularly biotite while it appears as pseudomorphs after garnet.

VI Epidote Group.

Here are three representatives of this group

- (a) epidote
- (b) zoisite
- (c) omphacite

(a) The common iron epidote is abundant, being visible as typical green grains in the hand specimen or as strongly pleochroic yellow to colorless crystals in thin section. The birefringence is high and this variety is frequently intimately associated with actinolite which grows around it. Harker³ records the alteration of actinolite to epidote but the reverse retrograde step is apparently not common.

(b) A colorless zoisite with high relief and low polarization colour is frequent as tiny rounded grains and inclusions as a saussurization product of plagioclase

(c) Omphacite is quite common in some large grains to the north and occurs as deep brown pleochroic crystals, rounded in shape with high refractive index and double refraction. The interference figure is basically positive with a high axial angle.

VII Sillimanite

Geographically the sillimanite zone covers a reasonably large area but the actual abundance of the mineral is not high due to its frequent replacement by sericite.

In the hand specimen it may be recognized by the pseudomorphic fibrous sericitic material, or in ~~the~~ ^{its} original state as clear, white, silky fibres.

The presence of sillimanite immediately next to the granulites indicates the highest grades of metamorphism.

In the thin ~~thin~~ section it is colourless in quite large often euhedral or tabular crystals with a prominent cleavage giving straight extinction. Its relief and birefringence are both high. It is frequently present in various stages of alteration or as mere "ghost" pseudomorphs of sericite.

Optically it is biaxially positive and like many of the South Australian sillimanites has a low axial angle.

Specimens from Yambullilla may be 2V for 10-15 while from Houghton the 2V is less than 5° - in some interference figures the isogyres barely separate.

VIII Garnet.

A red brown garnet - near almandine in composition occurs in gneisses in the Lower Gorge and about Heartbrook. It may be quite abundant in certain specimens and indicates a high grade of metamorphism.

It is a frequent detrital mineral in river sands throughout the area.

It is notable that sillimanite and garnet occur together with in the vicinity of the western (Haughton) granulite, while garnet alone is found near the eastern (Heartbrook) outcrops - even though the usually more basic plag to plagioclase to the east suggests a higher grade of metamorphism. This factor ~~is~~ is another point in the evidence that equilibrium was probably not achieved at very few points in the area.

Tourmaline

A persistent and common mineral occurring in every variety of rock throughout the whole area. It may be found as

- (1) large crystals in quartz veins through the gneisses, (2) as graphic intergrowths with quartz

- (3) tiny euhedral crystals in gneisses and granulites eg. in specimens 108, 14, 159, 47.

- (4) major constituent of the quartz tourmaline schist of the Humberg South.

It is usually strongly colored and pleochroic from deep brown to light green occurring as anhedral crystals to euhedral prisms. In an actinolite schist from Houghton (No. 13) there are lighter colored faceted crystals (^{paler} colored in the core) while embedded in ~~the~~ ^{some} plagioclases are perfectly euhedral prisms showing perfectly developed crystal faces. Colored in various shades of pink and purple.

Tourmaline indicates the overall pneumatolytic action and appears to have been introduced

- (a) as the mineral in veins etc
- (b) as ~~how~~ to produce the mineral by reaction with various aluminous silicates.

Ilmenite

The chief iron ore of the district is titaniferous and very feebly magnetic - magnetite is ~~not~~ ^{rarely} found. It occurs as tiny grains or as large masses - veins 6" across are found in the granulites east of Herbrook, and is heavy, black and lustrous.

In the thin section it is quite opaque, silvery by reflected light and is frequently intimately associated with rutile, leucosine or zircon to which it has supplied titanium or by ~~diopside~~ actinolite or hornblende for which it has been the source of iron.

Stress has often made crystals lens shaped or fractured them.

The apparent cross bedding shown by actinolite in the granulites is apparently due to the formation of amphibole from the original iron ore without appreciable movement.

In the field, the ilmenite may fill veins cutting across folded granulites and appears to be introduced at a late stage in the original metamorphic process. It is also a primary constituent of the original sediments.

Ilmenite is a notable constituent of the Herbrook gneiss.

XI Apatite Group

Apatite occurs in some amount in all the rocks and shows a variety of properties, signifying an appreciable range of composition.

(1) Colour. The mineral may be colourless to pale brown - in the latter case it is feebly pleochroic with absorption $\xi > \eta$.

(2) The refractive index varies considerably.

(3) Optically it is positive but has a optic angle varying from $0-40^\circ$.

Its presence indicates a pneumatolytic addition of phosphorus - and the varieties probably have varied amounts of chlorine and fluorine which control their properties.

It may often be intimately associated and surrounded by growths of zircon.

XII Rutile + Titanite

Being not abundantly but persistently over a wide area, rutile is deep brown and pleochroic with a brilliant lustre by reflected light. Optically it is uniaxially positive. It is most commonly associated with ilmenite which is apparently the parent mineral. Titanite also occurs quite abundantly as fine granular aggregates.

XIII. Forsterite

A accessory only, forsterite is common and always retains its oval - detrital shape showing its original sedimentary nature.

XIV. Haemetite

Micaeous in habit and of local importance only, haemetite occurs in various schists and a haemetite - quartzite from the Little River.

At scattered localities it is found as bright specular flakes, particularly in cavities and veins.

It is of considerable importance in the overlying Adelaide System in the basal beds - particularly on the eastern side of the Archean massif - particularly at Mt. Benmore.

XV. Sphene

This mineral occurs in some granulites and to a less extent in the leucocrysts & gneisses. It is brown and usually as cubical crystals, strongly pleochroic with high double refraction.

Calcite

XVII. Magnetite

This iron oxide is of no importance, occurring as cubical crystals in the quartzite and in the gneisses in the South-Western corner of the area.

XVIII Pyrites ~~yellow gold by reflected light~~ is fairly abundant in ~~some~~ the quartzes especially the sillimanite rich varieties, while occasionally chalcopyrite and bornite are recognized both in the hand specimen and thin section.

XVI Calcite is not abundant, it color occurs as colorless or light brown, frequently cubical crystals in schists usually, but granules also.

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~~Explanation~~

Key to A-C-F Diagrams

- (1) Granulite facies.
This indicates the highest extent of the metamorphism.
- (2) Amphibolite facies - sillimanite almandine sub facies. - Some dioritoid rocks probably fall in this range.
- (3) Albite-epidote-amphibolite facies.
This stage is reached in retrograde metamorphism by granulites and gneisses.
- (4) Greenschist facies, muscovite-chlorite sub-facies. The schists and gneisses generally fall within this class.

Key to Microsketches

1. Portion of a gneiss from Castanbul. It shows an ilmenite crystal which has been fractured and liberated iron to surrounding sericite to form a zone of chlorite.
2. Portion of a granulite from Englemood. It shows actinolite growing on epidote.
3. Portion of a granulite from Kershock. It shows the fibrous sheafs of wualitic actinolite.
4. Portion of a gneiss from the Tower Gorge. It shows the typical sillimanite in a mesh of sericite.
5. Similar to No. 4.
6. Quartz-tourmaline schist from Humbug Sand.

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Si	889	868	916	1010	811	833	863	1018	1009	919
Al	155	154	156	146	176	151	152	155	153	184
Fe	65	61	90	117	143	155	156	61	97	118
Mg	43	65	122	44	168	165	135	114	64	211
Ca	246	241	180	46	193	198	150	114	93	218
Na	16	16	61	65	35	27	545	76	50	27
K	44	46	9	66	3	4	7	7	24	2
Test A	95	92	86	55	134	120	100	72	79	135
C	246	241	180	46	193	198	150	114	93	218
F	108	156	216	166	311	320	291	175	161	331
	449	489	482	237	642	638	541	361	433	694
A	21	18	18	10	22	19	19	20	19	20
C	55	48	37	19	30	31	29	32	21	32
F	29	34	45	71	48	50	53	48	60	48
8/5 A	60	62	70	121	39	31	52	83	74	29
C	95	92	86	25	134	120	100	72	79	135
F	359	305	310	187	366	398	341	217	105	414
	514	459	466	333	542	549	493	372	358	578
a.	11	14	15	37	7	6	11	22	22	4
c.	18	20	19	6	26	22	70	19	25	25
f	71	66	56	57	67	62	19	59	53	71
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Al	155	154	156	146	176	151	152	155	153	164
F	354	397	232	211	504	518	441	289	254	549
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f	25	29	18	16	33	34	19	19	18	35

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Al ₂ O ₃	15.79	15.67	15.88	14.94	17.99	15.44	15.53	15.75	15.57	16.67
Fe ₂ O ₃	3.69	5.38	.68	8.12	2.13	3.07	4.77	2.94	1.40	1.90
FeO	1.37	1.76	5.85	1.07	8.44	8.44	6.91	1.77	5.70	6.76
MgO	1.73	2.62	5.06	1.96	6.72	6.61	5.42	4.55	2.57	8.54
CaO	13.81	13.48	10.09	2.60	10.81	11.15	8.42	6.43	5.19	12.19
Na ₂ O	1.04	.99	3.76	3.40	2.23	1.74	2.82	4.69	3.06	1.24
K ₂ O	4.15	4.31	.76	6.16	.30	.43	.72	.73	2.31	.24

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F	21	24	35	51	47	47	50	55	46	47
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

