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	feet.	inch.
8. Indurated brown Clay with sulphate of lime	•	
crystallized in irregular masses, and in larg		
proportion		
9. Indurated blue Clay, laminated with sulphate		
of lime		6
10. Argillaceous marl		
11. Indurated brown Clay, laminated with sulphate		
of lime	3	
12. Indurated blue Clay, with laminæ of sulphate		
of lime	3	
13. Indurated red and blue Clay		
14. Indurated brown Clay, with sand and sulphate		
of lime, irregularly interspersed through it.		
The fresh water (360 gallons per minute)		
finds its way through holes in this stratum.		
and has its level at 16 yards from the surface		
15. Argillaceous marl	5	
16. Indurated blue Clay with sand, and grains of		
sulphate of lime	3	9
17. Indurated brown clay, with a little sulphate of	8	_
lime	15	
18. Indurated blue Clay, with grains of sulphate of		
lime	1	6
19. Indurated brown Clay, with sulphate of lime	7	
20. The first bed of Rock Salt	75	
21. Layers of indurated Clay, with veins of rock		
salt running through them		6
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	230	9

22. The second bed of Rock salt, which has been sunk into 105 to 108 feet.

The valley of the Weaver is divided from that of the Dee, by a low ridge of hills, including Delamere Forest, the crag on which Bierston Castle stands, and the Peckforton hills; and from that of the Mersey by a similar ridge connected with Alderley edge, In the Peckforton hills a small quantity of copper has been found, and at Alderley edge,* ores of lead,

It is sometimes slaty and micaceous, sometimes contains pebbles of quartz and agate. (G. Notes.)

See an account of Alderley Edge, in Monthly Mag. Vol. 1811. (G. Notes.)

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^{*} At Alderley edge in Cheshire, the sandstone of this deposit contains grey oxide of cobalt, galena and yellow copper ore, together with sulphate of barytes. In different parts of Shropshire, as at Hawkestone, Pym hill, &c. it is tinged by copper. Though iron abounds in this formation as a colouring matter, it contains no argillaccous iron stone, nor balls of iron stone, nor any variety of workable iron. (G Notes.)