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# LIMESTONES OF MICHIGAN.

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#### INTRODUCTION.

That Michigan possesses enormous limestone resources has been known for more than a half century yet little was known of the specific or even the general character of many of the beds until recently. A. Winchell,\* and C. Rominger,\*\* incidentally have described in various early publications of the Michigan Geological Survey the limestone formations in different localities in connection with the discussion of other geological problems. A. C. Lanet described in detail the limestones of Huron county, W. H. Sherzer†† the limestones of Monroe and Wayne counties, W. H. Sherzer and A. W. Grabaut the limestones of the Monroe Formation, A. W. Grabau‡‡ the limestones of the Traverse Formation, and W. M. Gregory§ those of Arenac county. Lane studied in more or less detail the limestone deposits in a number of other localities, and in the Annual Report of the Geological Survey for 1901 published a brief report upon the limestones of the whole state. Brief notes by Lane, §§ Russell,\*\*\* and others on limestone were published in some of the other reports. All of the above contributions to the subject, with the exception of the reports on Arenac, Huron, Monroe, and Wayne counties, and on the Monroe formation are out of print and largely out of date.

This report brings together the important facts of the previous reports and adds to these the information afforded by more recent developments, particularly the results of an investigation made by the writer during 1913-14. The economic possibilities of the several limestone formations are presented rather than their geologic relations. The report embraces (1) a discussion of the character origin and classification of limestones, (2) an outline of the geology of the limestone formations of Michigan, (3) their uses, and (4) descriptions of the occurrence, character, development and economic possibilities of the limestone beds of the different counties.

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# CHAPTER I. ORIGIN OF LIMESTONE. DEFINITION.

According to commercial usage limestone is a rock varying in composition when free from impurities, from pure calcium carbonate to a mixture of 56.35 per cent of calcium carbonate, 45.65 per cent of magnesium carbonate.\* In a general sense it is used to denote a rock in which calcium carbonate is the chief ingredient.†

In this report, commercial usage has been followed, but

the term dolomite is applied to limestones in which the molecular proportions of calcium carbonate to magnesium carbonate approach the ratio of one to one. Descriptive terms are used to distinguish limestones of intermediate composition.

All limestones contain more or less impurities, chemically combined with the lime or magnesia or as separate minerals. The common impurities are iron carbonate, iron oxides and sulphides, silica, alumina, clay, carbonaceous matter, sulphur, and phosphorous. Under the second definition magnesium carbonate is an impurity and generally it is the most abundant.

Calcium carbonate (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) is usually present as the mineral calcite, magnesium carbonate as dolomite (CaCO<sub>3</sub>, MgCO<sub>3</sub>), silica (SiO<sub>2</sub>) as sand, chert, quartz, or in combination with clay, ferrous carbonate (FeCO<sub>3</sub>) as siderite, iron oxides (Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, (Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 2H<sub>2</sub>O) as hematite and limonite, iron sulphides (FeS<sub>2</sub>, FeS) as pyrite or marcasite, alumina (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) as clay or shale. The impurities vary from a mere trace to more than half, when the rock properly is no longer limestone. The color of limestone is largely governed by the impurities. The light blue, buff, yellow, pink, red, and brown tones are due largely to iron oxides and the gray and black to carbonaceous material. Manganese carbonate generally gives a pink or red tinge to limestone.

†W. G. Miller, Limestones of Ontario, Bur. Mines, 1903, pt. 2, p. 19.

H. A. Buehler, Lime and Cement Resources of Missouri, Vol. VI, 2nd ser., Mo. Geol. Surv. 1907, p. 4.

#### ORIGINAL SOURCES.

The original source\* of limestone is the igneous rocks. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) which is constantly being given off by decaying vegetable and animal matter is readily absorbed by percolating waters and forms a solution of carbonic acid which accelerates the decomposition of the rocks. The carbon dioxide unites with the calcium of the minerals, particularly the lime feldspars and calcium carbonate (CaCO<sub>3</sub>), the chief constituent of limestone, is formed. Calcium carbonate is slightly soluble in pure water but is much more so in water charged with carbon dioxide. It combines with water forming calcium bicarbonate (CaH<sub>2</sub> (CO<sub>3</sub>)) which is much more soluble than the normal carbonate.

Upon exposure to the air some of the excess carbon dioxide in the ground water escapes or is removed by various agencies and part of the calcium carbonate is deposited in springs and lakes as travertine, calcareous sinter, marl, tufa, and öolite. All streams, however, carry in solution more or less calcium carbonate and other mineral substances to the sea. Evaporation through the geological ages has tended to concentrate these substances in sea water and owing to the relative insolubility of calcium carbonate, the sea water long ago

<sup>\*</sup>First Biennial Rept., Mich. Geol. Survey, 1860.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Geology of Lower Peninsula, Vol. III, Pt. 1, Mich. Geol. Surv., 1869-1873; and Geology of Lower Peninsula, Vol. III, Pt. 1, 1873-1876.

<sup>†</sup>Geology of Huron County, vol. VII, p. 11, Mich. Geol. Surv., 1896-1900.

<sup>\*</sup>According to definition of the National Lime Manufacturers Association. W. E. Emley, Manufacture of Lime, Technologic Papers, U. S. Bur. of Stand., No. 16, 1913, p. 7.

<sup>†</sup>F. W. Clark, Data of Geochemistry, Bull. 616, U. S. G. S., 1914, p. 548

would have become overcharged with this salt were it not for the fact that various agencies of deposition, chiefly organic, are constantly removing large quantities.

\*F. W. Clarke, Data of Geochemistry, Bull. 616, U. S. G. S., 1916, p. 548.

# ORGANIC AND INORGANIC DEPOSITS.

Deposits of limestone may be formed through the agency of organisms or directly by precipitation from solutions. The former are termed organic, the latter, chemical deposits. Many of the Michigan limestones are composed of the calcareous remains of animals but others show little or no trace of organic remains. No sharp distinction, however, can be made between limestones of organic and those of purely chemical origin. In the broadest sense all limestones are of chemical origin because the extraction of lime from sea water by living organisms is an organo-chemical process.

Most limestones are formed by accumulation on the sea bottom of the calcareous shells or hard parts of corals, stromatopora, bryozoa, crinoids, and molluscs, which abound in the shallow places of the ocean.

Small or microscopic organisms, chiefly foraminifera, and many other animals and certain plants have also played a smaller though important part in building up calcareous accumulations. Some strata are composed almost wholly of coral, shells, tests of foraminifera, of the hard parts of crinoids or bryozoa, or a mixture of these. The absence of fossils of lime secreting forms in some limestones is not a proof of inorganic origin. Deformation and thorough recrystallization have obliterated all traces of fossils in most of the pre-Cambrian limestones and in some of later age in areas of extreme metamorphism. The absence of fossils in many limestones is due to the breaking up by the waves, particularly in time of storm, of corral reefs. The detached fragments of the reefs as well as rocks and pebbles on shores, dashed about by the waves, become millstones in grinding up the coral rock, shells, crinoids, etc., into sand and powder or rock flour. The resulting lime-sand and lime-mud are washed and sorted by the waves. The coarser particles are deposited on the slopes of the coral reefs or shores but the finer material may be carried in suspension for long distances before it sinks to the bottom of the ocean as lime-mud. Around modern reefs the water for many miles is milky from this lime-flour, after severe storms. Deposits of lime-sand and lime-mud are now being formed over large areas of sea bottom, especially around coral reefs growing in the open sea. The same process may be observed along the lake shores of Michigan where limestone is exposed to the attacks of the waves. After severe storms the lake waters in the vicinity of Petoskey, Charlevoix, and also of Garden Peninsula are milky white for miles from the rock flour produced through the grinding by boulders and beach shingle along the shore.

Coral reefs with the flanking strata of lime-sand and lime-mud, now compacted and crystallized into hard

limestone, are characteristic of several of the limestone formations of Michigan and adjacent states, particularly of the Niagara and the Traverse formations. In the vicinity of Alpena and Petoskey the reefs generally form isolated mounds and more or less continuous and connecting ridges of corals which in places form very complex systems. These coral reefs are more resistant to erosion than associated strata, which explains their elevation above the general level of the rock surface. In some localities they can be traced for considerable distances. Some of them are 100 feet or more wide and 50 to 80 feet high. The lime-sand strata slope away from the reefs at rather steep angles but at relatively short distances the beds become nearly horizontal, and at greater distances gradually give place to the horizontal beds of lime mud.

On the Paleozoic\* reefs the grinding tools were largely the colonies of certain corals and stromatopora which were weakly attached and therefore readily broken loose by the waves. In storms these colonies, some of them two or three feet or more in diameter, were rolled about by the waves, grinding the other corals and especially the shells and crinoids to powder. The frequent occurrence of overturned masses of coral and stromatopora in these reefs and the worn and broken character of all of these fragments near the margins of the reefs testify to the nature of the grinding tools and their work.

Small pelagic organisms, largely foraminifera, nourish on the surface of the ocean, and their tests, sinking to the bottom are forming in clear water seas, deposits of calcareous ooze. Many of the chalk deposits are composed largely of the small or microscopic tests of foraminiferal organisms, similar to those in modern oozes. Various acquatic plants\*\* are locally important in building up deposits of calcium carbonate. The formation of marl is largely due to various species of Chara, mosses and algae. These plants extract carbon dioxide from water, and the soluble calcium bicarbonate, being thus robbed of its extra molecule of carbon dioxide becomes the insoluble normal carbonate and is thrown down. The plants growing on marl beds are generally white from the precipitated calcium carbonate. Shelled animals flourish in such waters and their shells locally form a considerable percentage of the marl deposit.

Deposits of travertine are formed in a similar manner around springs by algae and other water loving plants. Some marine limestones may have been formed by plant agencies but definite proof is lacking. When carbonated water enters the sea, calcium carbonate may be precipitated directly. This requires exceptional conditions of temperature and evaporation and the deposition of calcium carbonate in this way is unusual. At present calcareous deposits are being formed in this manner in the everglades of Florida. According to G. H. Drew† bacteria are responsible for much of the marine precipitation of calcium carbonate.

Great masses of tufa are formed in some of the shallow lakes of semi-arid regions where evaporation is rapid

and the water is agitated by the winds. Under such conditions the excess carbon dioxide in the water, is readily driven off and calcium carbonate is precipitated. The deposition may take place around grains of sand on the lake shores and deposits of öolite sand are thus formed. Evaporation, agitation of the water, and loss of pressure which aid in the escape of carbon dioxide from spring waters are effective agencies in the formation of travertine and sinter around springs, though plants usually play a more or less important role in the process.

\*A. W. Grabau. The Devonic Formations of Michigan, unpublished Mss.

\*\*F. W. Clarke, Data of Geochemistry, Bull. 616, U. S. G. S., 1916, p. 550.

†Carnegie Institute, Washington, Pub. 182, 1914.

# CHAPTER II. CLASSIFICATION AND VARIETIES OF LIMESTONES.

As noted on a previous page, on the basis of origin, limestones are classed as organic and inorganic. They may also be divided into two general classes on the bases of (1) texture and (2) composition.\* The chief varieties of each class according to texture and composition are given below. Many limestones are mixtures of some of these several varieties.

Varieties based upon Texture.

- 1. Compact, dense, fine grained, or lithographic limestone.
- 2. Crystalline limestone (non-metamorphosed).
- 3. Crystalline limestone or marble (metamorphosed).
- 4. Oolite and pisolitic limestone.
- 5. Fossiliferous limestone.
- 6. Shell limestone (fragmental).
- 7. Chalky limestone.
- 8. Conglomeratic limestone (including limestone breccia).
- 9. Cherty limestone.
- 10. Fresh water marl.
- 11. Travertine or calc sinter.
- 12. Stalactitic and stalagmitic limestone and onyx marble.

Since limestones vary in chemical composition from nearly pure calcium carbonate to a mixture or compound containing theoretically 54.35 calcium carbonate and 45.65 per cent of magnesium carbonate, any classification based strictly upon chemical composition must be largely arbitrary. The combined chemical and physical qualities of limes made from different kinds of stone, however, furnish a good basis for classification. The following are important varieties based upon chemical composition. Other varieties based upon conspicuous impurities such as iron oxides and sulphides, bitumen, and carbonaceous matter may be distinguished but these are of minor importance:

Varieties based upon composition.

- 1. High calcium limestone.
- 2. Magnesian limestone.
  - (a) Low magnesian.
  - (b) High magnesian.
- 3. Dolomite.
- 4. Argillaceous limestone.
- 5. Arenaceous and siliceous limestone.

Most of these varieties grade into each other or may show characteristics belonging to two or more varieties.

\*E. F. Burchard and W. E. Emley, Min. Res. U. S. for 1913, pt. 2, pp. 1515-1520.

#### VARIETIES BASED ON TEXTURE.

Dense fine grained limestone. Many of the limestone strata in Michigan are of very fine grain or of lithographic texture, and apparently represent the lime-mud or rockflour produced on limestone shores or reefs by the waves. Currents carried the mud in suspension into quiet water where it was slowly deposited. Such limestones, however, may have been the result of direct chemical precipitation in shallow water. The Fiborn limestone is a conspicuous example of the fine grained variety. It has a fine lithographic texture but unfortunately it is very brittle and generally contains numerous small disseminated crystals of calcite rendering it unsuitable for lithographic purposes.

Crystalline limestone (non-metamorphosed). Simple crystallization may in many places more or less obliterate all traces of fossils. Crystallization is brought about through the agencies of pressure, heat, and water. However, some very crystalline limestones, are exceptionally fossiliferous. A very coarsely crystalline but extremely fossiliferous limestone occurs near Bolton, Alpena County, in the Traverse formation. Many of the strata in the "Niagara" formation in Michigan are highly crystalline. The other limestone formations also contain thoroughly crystalline beds.

Metamorphosed crystalline limestone (marble). Commercially the term marble is applied rather loosely to almost any granular crystalline limestone or dolomite, or other rocks susceptible of taking a high polish. Technically, marble is a rock which consists mainly of completely crystalline particles of calcite or dolomite, or of both. Re-crystallization results from the metamorphic action of pressure, heat, and liquid and gaseous solutions. Though pressure or heat alone is sufficient to bring about the complete recrystallization of limestone, generally two or all three agencies appear to have played an important role in the transformation.

Marbles are found in regions which have been subjected to mountain making forces, or igneous intrusions.

Metamorphism usually results in the destruction of fossils, bedding planes, fractures, and other secondary characters of the limestone, and in formation of new minerals from the impurities. Microscopically, marble is composed of crystalline plates of calcite or dolomite, many of which show numerous twinning planes. Granular limestone, so-called marble, on the contrary,

usually consists of an aggregation of irregular crystalline plates of calcite in which twinning is absent. This is a marked difference\* between marble and crystalline limestone.

Deposits of marble generally occur in lenticular masses interbedded with other metamorphosed rocks, and also as metamorphosed zones along the contact of a limestone with an igneous rock. The Paleozoic strata in Michigan are undisturbed, and contain no marble.

The original limestone beds of the pre-Cambrian rocks of Michigan have been greatly metamorphosed and are now largely marble.

Oolitic limestone. Oolitic limestone is composed wholly or partially of small rounded concretionary grains, resembling fish eggs. Oolites are formed by the deposition of successive concentric coats of calcium carbonate about nuclei, such as grains of sand, in shallow water near shore. Large concretionary grains are called pisolites. The well known Bedford limestone of Indiana is a typical oolitic limestone.

Fossiliferous limestone. Fossiliferous limestone contains noticeable quantities of shells and hard parts of organisms. In some strata certain fossils are present almost to the complete exclusion of others, hence the terms "crinoidal," "coralline," etc.

Shell limestone. Shell limestone is a variety of fossiliferous limestone in which shells, shell fragments, and shell sand form an important part of the rock.

Chalky limestone or chalk. Chalky limestone or chalk is a soft fine grained light colored or white limestone composed chiefly of minute shells of foraminifera. No chalk beds occur in Michigan.

Conglomeratic limestone and limestone breccia.
Conglomeratic limestone consists of fragments rounded by wave action held together by calcium carbonate cement. Limestone breccia consists of angular fragments similarly cemented. Conglomeratic limestone is comparatively rare but, in Michigan, limestone breccias are characteristic of the Monroe formation.

Cherty limestone. Cherty limestone contains nodules and bands of chert or flint. Chert is a general term applied to impure flint, or jasper. It is composed chiefly of silica (SiO<sub>2</sub>). From the fact that chert nodules frequently show the presence of organic remains such as radiolarian tests and sponge spicules it is probable that these in many cases were the nuclei around which precipitation of silica took place.

Marl. Fresh water marl or bog lime is a loose earthy material largely composed of amorphous calcium carbonate. Marl, in a loose sense, also includes deposits of mixed amorphous calcium carbonate, clay, and sand. The term has also been applied to the "green" or glauconitic sands of New Jersey which contain no carbonate. In some fresh water lakes marl is precipitated from the lake waters by plants, mosses and algae. In some deposits shells form a considerable

portion of the marl. Many of the lake beds in Michigan contain marl and in some of them marl is being formed at the present time. In the Southern Peninsula alone the total area of known marl beds having an average thickness of ten feet or over, is over 26,000 acres.

Travertine and onyx marble. Travertine or calc sinter, often called calcareous tufa, is a massive porous to compact limestone deposited by water around springs or along streams. It occurs on the faces of limestone bluffs and also in crevices in .limestone. Travertine deposited in water much agitated is generally porous and spongy and is called tufa. This form usually contains traces of leaves, twigs, and other organic material upon which it was deposited. Though usually white, the color is often some shade of brown, yellow, green, or red due to various impurities such as iron oxide, manganese, mud, etc. In onyx marble, a more compact variety of travertine, the coloring matters have been deposited in alternating bands producing a beautiful effect. Onyx marble is considered to have been formed generally by precipitation from hot spring waters from deep seated sources. Travertine deposits are generally of small extent and importance.

Stalactitic and stalagmitic limestone. Stalactites are icicle-like forms of calcium carbonate "suspended from the roofs of caves. They are deposited from dripping water. Stalagmites are the more or less conical masses of calcium carbonate on the floors of caves. Each stalagmite has a corresponding stalactite above it, and are similarly formed.

Waters, especially those containing much carbon dioxide in percolating down through fractures or joints in limestone strata, take lime carbonate into solution and in this way tend to widen the openings and form cavities. When lime bearings waters enter such cavities the pressure on the water becomes less and carbon dioxide escapes. More or less evaporation takes place and the operation of both of these factors causes the precipitation of calcium carbonate. Part of it is deposited on the roof of the cavern, forming stalactites. The drip from each stalactite carries some of the precipitated calcium carbonate to the floor and this builds up the stalagmite beneath. The splashing of the drops of water probably drives off more of the carbon dioxide and further precipitation of calcium carbonate takes place on the surface of the stalagmite.

Travertine, stalactitic and stalagmitic limestone are closely related deposits since their formation depends upon the same principles.

\*T. Nelson Dale. The Commercial Marbles of Western Vermont, Bull. 521, U. S. G. S., 1912, p 11.

# VARIETIES BASED ON COMPOSITION.

High calcium limestone. High calcium limestone is distinguished by a low content of magnesium carbonate and relative freedom from other impurities such as silica, alumina, and oxides and sulphides of iron. According to Bur chard and Emley\* high calcium limestone contains

from 93 to more than 99 per cent of calcium carbonate. From the viewpoint of the lime manufacturer Peppel† classes limestones containing as low as 85 per cent of calcium carbonate as high calcium, Buehler‡ places the minimum content of calcium carbonate at 90 per cent, which is more nearly in harmony with the general usage and the specifications demanded in Michigan.

\*E. F. Burchard and W. E. Emley, Min. Res. U. S. for 1913, Pt. II, p. 1518,

†S. V. Peppel, Technology of the Lime Industry, Bull. 4, Ohio Geol. Surv. 1906, pp. 252-253,

‡H. A. Buehler, Lime and Cement Resources of Missouri, Vol. VI, 2nd Ser., 1907, p. 17.

Magnesian limestone. From the standpoint of the lime burner, Peppel§ classes all limestone containing from 10 to 30 per cent of magnesium carbonate as magnesian limestone, and limestone containing more than 30 per cent as dolomitic limestone. According to Burchard and Emley§§ limestones carrying magnesian carbonate in any quantity up to 45.65 per cent are classed as magnesian limestones, thus including normal dolomite.

§Cit. loc. p. 253.

§§Loc. cit. p. 1519.

Dolomite. Dolomite is a mineral or rock composed of the double carbonate of calcium and magnesium, Ca Mg (CO3)2. When pure it contains 54.35 per cent of calcium carbonate and 45.65 per cent of magnesium carbonate. The term "dolomite" is sometimes loosely used by geologists to include limestones containing considerable amounts of magnesium carbonate. In common practice limestones carrying 20 per cent or more of magnesium carbonate are called dolomites. Magnesian limestones are generally mixtures of calcite (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) and dolomite (CaMg (CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>) with more or less impurities and the term dolomite should be restricted to the double carbonate which occurs both as a well crystallized mineral and as a massive rock. Owing to impurities it does not generally contain over 44 per cent, and usually somewhat less of magnesium carbonate. In this report limestones containing 40 per cent or over of magnesium carbonate are called dolomites.

The dolomitization of limestones has long been a subject of inquiry and many elaborate experiments have been carried out in order to discover the principles and conditions which might give a plausible explanation of the widespread occurrence of magnesian limestones.

Experimentally dolomite has been formed in a variety of ways but since the conditions under which most of the experiments were conducted cannot reasonably be assumed to have had widespread occurrence in nature, many of the artificial methods of formation are not to be seriously considered in seeking the true explanation. From various experiments and from geological evidence it appears that the formation of dolomite from limestone has been largely through the replacement of calcium carbonate by magnesian carbonate. T. Sterry Hunt\* held that dolomite is generally a chemical precipitate.

This view is not widely held today. His experiments, however, those of F. Hoppe-Seyler† and others, and the deposition of natural magnesian travertine around warm or hot springs indicate that temperature‡ is an important factor in the formation of dolomite. In general, mixtures of the various chemical substances used in the experiments yielded no dolomite at ordinary temperature but when moderate temperature was employed dolomite was formed.

The character of the original substance‡‡ is apparently another important factor. Aragonite is the less stable form of calcium carbonate and is abundant in coral reefs. Concentrated magnesium sulphate alone or with other solutions even at ordinary temperatures produces mixtures of magnesium and calcium carbonates but not dolomite. If such mixed products are formed in nature the double salt in time would probably be formed through recrystallization.

\*Am. Jour, of Sci., 2nd Se., Vol. 28, 1859, pp. 170, 365; Vol. 42, 1866, p. 49.

†Zeitschr. Deutsch. geol. Gesell., Vol. 27, 1875, p. 509.

‡F. W. Clarke, Data of Geochemistry, Bull. 616, U. S. G. S., 1916, p. 561.

‡‡F. W. Clarke, loc. cit., p. 562. C. Klement, Bull. Soc. Beige, geol., Vol. 9, Min. 3, 1895. Min. pet. Min. Vol. 14, 1894, p. 526.

The products of organic decomposition—carbon dioxide, ammonium carbonate, and ammonium and hydrogen sulphides, probably play a more or less important part in the process of dolomitization, as shown by Pfaff.\* It must be remembered, however, that the tests, shells, and hard parts† of marine organisms contain small, though in some cases relatively large quantities of magnesium carbonates. G. Forchhammer, ‡ Gümbel, ‡‡ A. G. Högbom‡‡‡, H. W. Nichols, ‡‡‡‡ and F. W. Clarke and W. C. Wheeler in investigating the composition of recent shells, corals, and algae found that the content of magnesium carbonate in recent coral, shells, crinoids and the hard parts of sea urchins, starfish, and cuttle stars, ranges from a fraction of one per cent to over 13 per cent. Cold water crinoids, sea urchins, and cuttle stars uniformly contain only small quantities of magnesium carbonate, but in the tropical forms the content is high. Högbom found no such temperature relations in the calcareous algae analyzed by him.

The foregoing data shows that the original sediments must contain very considerable quantities of magnesium carbonate. As a general rule the calcareous deposits as we now find them contain proportionately more of it than the original organic remains. As might be expected the fossil forms show no regularity in composition as do living forms. Leaching§ and the deposition of foreign substances by infiltrating waters have altered the original ratio of lime to magnesia in the organic forms and have brought about a general relative enrichment of the rock in magnesia. Leaching alone either by sea water or surface water is sufficient to bring about the complete dolomitization of a calcareous deposit through the removal of more soluble calcium carbonate, particularly

when in the form of aragonite, which is abundant in coral.

Undoubtedly some dolomites have been formed chiefly through leaching but experimental and geologic evidence indicates that replacement of the calcium carbonate by magnesium carbonate is a much more general process than leaching. Geologic evidence in favor of the replacement process is so strong that it has been commonly accepted as the dominant process in dolomitization. A deep boring in the coral deposits of the island of Funafuti indicates dolomitization near the surface, probably through enrichment by leaching, and shows strikingly gradual dolomitization downward from a depth of about 700 feet. The process was nearly complete at 1114 feet. Judd§§ doubtfully ascribes the surface dolomitization to the leaching out of the calcium carbonate. In a deep boring at Key West, Florida, there is a gradual enrichment down to about 775 feet but the dolomitization is slight as compared with that at Funafuti. Below this depth, however, the rock is only slightly and irregularly dolomitized. Dolomitization can be accomplished by replacement of calcium by magnesium in spring waters, but this process is unimportant as compared with the action of sea water on coral reefs.

\*F. W. Pfaff, Neus. Yahrb. Beil. Band 9, 1894, p. 485; also Vol. 23, 1907, p. 529.

†F. W. Clarke, Data of Geochemistry, Bull. 616, U. S, G. S., 1916, p. 565.

‡Neus. Yahrb. 1852, p. 854.

‡‡Abhandl. K. Akad. Wiss. Munchen, Vol. II, 1871, p. 26.

‡‡‡Neus. Yahrb. 1894, Band 1, p. 262.

###Field Columbian Museum, Pub. III, p. 31, 1906.

§F. W, Clarke, Data of Geochemistry, Bull. 616, U. S. G. S., 1916, pp. 566-569.

§§The atoll of Funafuti, published by the Royal Soc., London, 1904. For Judd's report on the chemical examination see pp. 362-389.

Argillaceous limestone. Limestone containing a considerable amount of clay is termed argillaceous limestone. Clay is chiefly the silicate of alumina. If present in the proper proportions it forms hydraulic limestone. Mortar produced by burning hydraulic limestone will set under water. "Natural cements" are made from such limestone, hence the term "cement rock."

Arenaceous and siliceous limestone. Arenaceous limestone contains a noticeable amount of sand, usually silica sand of fine grain. Some limestones contain silica in the form of quartz, deposited by infiltrating water in cavities and seams such as geodes, vugs, and veins. The silica, may also be deposited as a cement but more often it is concentrated in fossils. In general, arenaceous and siliceous limestones containing 4 per cent or more of silica are of little commercial importance, though sandy limestone of good texture, makes a satisfactory building stone, or if sufficiently hard it may be crushed for road material and concrete.

#### GRADATIONS\* IN LIMESTONES.

From the foregoing descriptions of classes, varieties, and origin of limestone it is obvious that the criteria for distinguishing different varieties are definite, although there are physical and chemical gradations between them. In any formation, uniformity of composition and texture is not generally to be expected.

From these facts the development of a limestone quarry should not be undertaken until the character of the beds have been carefully ascertained both vertically and horizontally. Generally this can be done best by the core drill.

\*E. F. Burchard and W. E. Emley. Min. Res. U. S. 1913, Pt. II, p. 1520.

#### CHAPTER III. USES OF LIMESTONE.

A generation ago the uses of limestone were few and simple. The chief uses were for lime, flux, building stone, and road making. The progress of industrial chemistry in the last thirty years has developed a large number of new uses. The more important uses\* of limestone in its raw and burned condition are as follows:

Acetate of lime.

Acetic acid.

Agricultural limestone.

Ammonia.

Ammonium sulphate.

Insecticides.

Lime burning.

Lithographing.

Milk of lime.

Mortar.

Basic steel. Oil, fat, glycerine and soap

Blast furnace flux. manufacture.
Bleaching powder. Paints and varnishes.

Bone ash. Paper making.
Building stone. Portland cement.
Calcium carbide, calcium Potassium and sodium

cyanimide and calcium dichromates.
nitrate. Pottery glazes.
Carbon dioxide. Refractory bricks.

Chloride of lime. Road material and railway Concrete aggregates. ballast.

Concrete aggregates. ballast.
Disinfectant and Sand-lime brick.

deodorizer.Soda-ash products, soda,Dyeing.potash and ammonia.Fertilizers.Sugar manufacture.

Finishing lime. Tanning.

Gas manufacture. Wood distillation—wood
Glass making. alcohol, acetate of lime.

Water softening and purifying.

 $^{\star}\text{E. F.}$  Burchard and W. E. Emley. Min. Res. U. S. 1913, U. S. G. S., Pt. II, pp. 1592-1593.

# BUILDING STONE.

Stone satisfactory for building purposes must be homogeneous in texture, relatively hard, free from parting planes, of pleasing color and texture, and resistant to weathering.

# ROAD MATERIAL, CONCRETE, AND RAILROAD BALLAST.

Limestone is widely used in the crushed state for road making, for railroad ballast, and as the aggregate material in concrete mixtures. Limestone for such purposes should be hard and resistant to weathering. A high cementing power is desirable in limestone for road material.

#### LIME.

No other substance can take the place of lime in the building and chemical industries. It is the cheapest and most easily obtainable of the strongly basic oxides, therefore it is the most widely used in manufacturing chemistry.

#### Definition of Lime.

In a strict chemical sense lime\* is the oxide of calcium. It is made by heating limestone (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) to a temperature sufficient to drive off the carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Inasmuch as limestones are composed of varying proportions of calcium and magnesium carbonates with minor amounts of impurities, commercial lime is a mixture of calcium and magnesium oxides.

For practical purposes lime may be defined† as the material obtained from the calcination of a stone in which calcium carbonate is the chief constituent.

\*W. E. Emley. Technologic Paper No. 16, Manufacture of Lime, U. S. Bur. Stand., 1913, p. 14; also Min. Res. U. S. 1913, Pt. II, p. 1556.

†S. V. Peppel. Technology of the Lime Industry. Ohio Geol. Surv., Bulls. 4 and 5, 4th Ser., 1906, p. 249.

#### Classification of Limes.

Limestone burns to approximately 44 per cent of its original weight, but the impurities, such as sand, clay, and iron lose very little weight in burning, therefore the percentage of these impurities in the lime is nearly double that in the original limestone.

The chemical and physical qualities of limes vary with the amount of magnesia and impurities. Calcium oxide combines energetically with water to form calcium hydroxide or slaked lime. Magnesium oxide in lime burned at the temperatures usually employed in kilns combines very slowly with water. Magnesium oxide burned at temperatures‡ below 1100°C, lower than usually employed in ordinary kilns, combines with water more rapidly than it does when burned at temperatures above 1100°C. In general the higher the content of magnesia in limes, the slower and cooler is the slaking process. The high calcium limes are known to the trade as "hot," "quick," " fat" or "rich" limes and the magnesian as "cool," "mild," or "slow" limes.

If the impurities,—clay, sand, and iron exceed about 5 per cent, they interfere with slaking and generally give a gray or yellow color to the lime.

Many widely different classifications of limes have been made on the basis of differences in composition and in the chemical and physical properties. Some are very simple, others very elaborate. Most of them do not meet the requirements of the trade and only two or three are used in specifications or in technical works. To meet the needs of lime manufacturers, the National Lime Manufacturers' Association adopted the following classification based upon composition:

- 1. High-calcium lime, 0 to 5 per cent magnesia.
- 2. Magnesian lime, 5 to 25 per cent magnesia.
- 3. Dolomitic lime, 25 to 45 per cent magnesia.
- 4. Super-dolomitic lime, over 45 per cent magnesia.

This classification does not harmonize well with the classification given by Burchard\* which conforms closely to the more generally accepted uses of the terms,† viz., high calcium lime, made from limestone containing 93 per cent or more of calcium carbonate; magnesium lime from limestone containing 7 per cent or more of magnesium carbonate; and dolomitic lime, a special grade of magnesian lime, in which the ratio of calcium oxide to magnesium oxide is very nearly 8 to 5. If magnesian limestones are distinguished as "low" and "high" magnesian and the term dolomite is reserved for limestone containing calcium and magnesium carbonates nearly in the ratio of 1 to 1, the limes and the limestones approximately corresponding are as follows:

High calcium lime (0 to 5% MgO) = High calcium limestone (93% or over of CaCO<sub>3</sub>).

Low magnesian lime (5 to 30% MgO) = Low magnesian limestone (7 to 30% MgCO<sub>3</sub>).

High magnesian or dolomitic lime (30% or over MgO) = High magnesian limestone (30 to 40% MgCO<sub>3</sub>) and dolomite (over 40% MgCO<sub>3</sub>).

Since all classifications are based upon more or less arbitrary distinctions, uniformity of opinion or practice is not to be expected.

‡W. E. Emley. Technologic Paper No. 16, U. S. Bur. Stand., 1913, p.

\*E. F. Burchard. Min. Res. U. S. 1913, U. S. G. S., Pt. II, p. 1519.

†W. E. Emley. Min. Res. U. S. 1913, U. S. G. S., Pt. II, p. 1556.

Hydraulic limes. The above classifications do not take into account limes containing relatively large amounts of impurities. Limes burned from limestone containing 5 to 10 per cent of sandy and clayey matter,\* slake readily without further treatment and harden under water. Limes containing under about 5% of impurities are generally white, but those containing more than about 5 per cent of impurities are usually gray. On the basis of this physical difference Peppel classifies limes as "white" and "gray." This is not a satisfactory classification because any limestone with 3 to 5 per cent of iron will produce a gray or vellow lime.† Limes made from limestone containing from 10 to 30 per cent of sandy and clayey matter and which will not slack until finely ground are called natural or Roman cements. Such limes solidify under water much more quickly than hydraulic limes and are much harder.

\*S. V. Peppel. Technology of the Lime Industry, Bulls. 4 and 5, Ohio Geol. Surv. 1906, p. 253.

†H. A. Buehler. Lime and Cement Resources of Missouri, Vol. VI, 2nd ser., Mo. Bur. Geol. and Mines, p. 17.

#### USES OF LIME.‡

The main uses of lime are classified as follows:

- 1. Building lime, for use in plastering and stone work.
- 2. Finishing lime, for the white coat of plaster.
- 3. Agricultural lime, for use as a soil amendment or rectifier.
- 4. Chemical lime, used in various chemical industries.

#### Building Lime.

Mortar. Lime mortar is composed of mixtures of sand and lime varying usually from three to one, to five to one. Pure lime mortar will not harden under water and should be used only where exposed to the air. Used alone, slaked lime shrinks and cracks on drying, but when mixed with a large volume of sand to form mortar it will not crack and is the most valuable material for wall plaster and brick work. Cement mortars are much stronger than lime mortars but they are rather unsatisfactory substitutes for lime mortar, because they lack plasticity and do not work easily.

The kind of lime best suited for making mortar depends upon the cost of labor, the experience of the workmen available, the volume of mortar which a given lime produces, the ease with which the mortar can be worked, and the strength of the mortar when set. High calcium or "hot" lime sets quickly, magnesian or "cool" lime slowly. The first is unsuitable where much time is required for finishing and the latter in cases where the longer time of setting interferes with building operations. In general high calcium lime is preferred for all rough or heavy work and high magnesian lime for finishing, though many contractors prefer magnesian lime for the first coat in plastering, because it sets slowly and permits the covering and finishing of large surfaces in one operation. Magnesian lime is generally whiter than high calcium lime, a reason for its preference for final as well as rough coats. Dry hydrate of magnesian lime is much used by the manufacturers of hard wall plasters. Mortar made from hot lime is at first more plastic and easier to work than that from magnesian lime, and is usually preferred for stone and rough brick work. In laying front brick, where much care must be exercised, magnesian lime is generally preferred.

High calcium lime when properly slaked yields a greater amount of putty or paste than magnesian lime, and the paste will carry a greater amount or "load" of sand, therefore the yield of mortar from hot lime is materially greater than from cool lime. The proper slaking of hot limes, however, requires more care and intelligence, and results are often unsatisfactory. The higher the percentage of calcium oxide, the hotter the lime and the greater is the danger of burning in slaking, especially with unskilled labor. Burning decreases the yield of paste, makes it lumpy and decreases its sand holding

capacity. Correspondingly the yield of mortar is less and of poorer quality. These two factors are important cost items and form two reasons why hydrated lime is rapidly coming into general use.

It has been found that addition of hot lime to magnesian lime improves the working qualities of the latter and the addition of magnesian lime to hot lime gives a mortar much slower in setting. From this it follows that mixtures of magnesian and high calcium limes would be the most satisfactory for general purposes. For small amounts of mortar this is not practicable but it is commonly done with large amounts of mortar, particularly when mixing machines are used. In such cases the mixtures can be easily varied to produce a mortar suited to the purpose for which it is to be used.

- ‡W. E. Emley. Min. Res. U. S. 1913, U. S. G. S., Pt. II, p. 1581.
- S. V. Peppel. Limestones and Lime Industry of Ohio, Bulls. 4 and 5, Ohio Geol. Surv., pp. 254-260.
- H. A. Buehler. Lime and Cement Resources of Missouri, Mo. Bur. Geol. and Mines, Vol. VI, 2nd ser., p. 20.

#### Finishing Lime.

The putty produced when lime is slaked is used directly as a finishing coat on plaster. The putty must work easily under the trowel, must not pop or pit in the wall, and must be nearly white. According to Emley\* putty from magnesian limes works better under the trowel and most of them are whiter than high calcium limes. The magnesian limes, therefore, are to be preferred to the high calcium even though the latter give a greater amount of putty. When hot lime is "burned" through improper slaking the lumps contain fine particles of unslaked lime. If used in a finishing coat these particles slowly take up water, expand and fall out, leaving pin holes in the wall. This is called popping\*\* or pitting. On account of the lack of skilled labor for slaking lime it is safer to use commercially prepared hydrated lime.

- \*W. E. Emley. Tests of Commercial Limes, Nat. Lime Mnf. Assoc. Trans., 1913.
- \*\*S. E. Young. On the popping of lime. Amer. Ceramic Soc. Trans., 1913.

# Agricultural Lime.

Liming of soils. The application of calcium in the form of calcium carbonate, calcium oxide, or calcium hydroxide to soils is termed "liming."

Apparently the Romans two thousand years ago practiced liming† of soils. Long before the value of lime in agriculture was generally known in America the liming of soils was practiced in European countries. Marl has been and still is extensively used in certain parts of Germany in maintaining the productivity of soils. Schultz of Lupitz demonstrated the value of marl as a fertilizer of the sand soils of northern Germany. Ruffin as early as 1818 called attention to the use of lime as a fertilizer and in 1832 published his well known work on "Calcareous manures."

The subject has been and still is being widely investigated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the various agricultural colleges and experiment stations. The experimental work has included all forms of lime and almost every variety of soil, soil conditions, and plants. The investigations show that the productivity of most soils is increased by the judicious use of some form of lime. Large areas of lean soils can be made productive with proper application of lime and other fertilizers.

†H. J. Wheeler. The Liming of Soils. Farmers' Bull. No. 77, U. S. Dept. Agriculture, 1915.

#### CHEMICAL USES OF LIMESTONE AND LIME.

#### Soda Ash and Caustic Soda.

Limestone is used for the production of calcium oxide and carbon dioxide in the manufacture of soda ash and related products. The process may be described as follows: Brine is first saturated with ammonia and then carbon dioxide is passed into the resulting solution. Two substances are formed: sodium hydrogen carbonate (NaHCO<sub>3</sub>) or bicarbonate of soda, and ammonium chloride (NH₄CI). The bicarbonate of soda is but sparingly soluble and is thrown down. This is common baking soda. When heated in a retort this compound breaks up into sodium carbonate or sal soda, carbon dioxide, and water. Sal soda is used extensively for softening water and in the manufacture of glass, and many chemicals. Since ammonia is expensive the mother liquor containing ammonium chloride is treated with lime which replaces ammonia in its compounds and sets free the gas. The ammonia is then distilled off and recovered for further use. Calcium chloride is the end product. When heated under certain temperature conditions it becomes a valuable drying agent because of its great attraction for water.

Magnesium oxide apparently should be as effective in breaking up the compounds of ammonia as calcium oxide but according to Lunge,\* magnesian limestone is not suitable for use in soda ash manufacture.

When sodium carbonate is dissolved in water and treated with calcium hydrate, sodium hydroxide or caustic soda and calcium carbonate is formed. The latter being insoluble settles, leaving a clear solution of caustic soda, which is largely used for the manufacture of soap. Magnesia takes no part in the reaction. The impurities form a gelatinous precipitate which does not settle clear, and are therefore undesirable. Quick lime is preferable to hydrated lime since the heat generated in slaking hastens the reaction.

\*Geo. Lunge, Manufacture of Sulphuric Acid and Alkali. 2nd ed., Vol. III, pi 37, 1891-1896.

# Bleaching Powder.

When moist slaked lime is treated with chlorine, an oxychloride of lime, the bleaching powder of commerce is formed. The bleaching agent is chlorine and since magnesia and impurities in the powder lower the amount

of chlorine per unit of weight they are objectionable. Magnesia is especially objectionable because it forms magnesium chloride which absorbs moisture from the air and makes the powder sticky and hard to handle. In this process hydrated lime is preferable to quick lime on account of its greater freedom from impurities and the ease of manipulation.

Soda ash, caustic soda, bleaching powder, and calcium chloride are produced on a large scale in the vicinity of Detroit. The value of these products is more than five-sixths of the total value of the chemical products of the state.

#### Calcium Carbide.

Calcium carbide ( $CaC_2$ ), the source of acetylene, is made by fusing a finely ground mixture of lime and coke in an electric furnace. Calcium oxide is the only substance in lime used, therefore all other impurities are objectionable on account of the heat wasted in their fusion. Limestone or hydrated lime could be used but since these must be reduced to the oxide before fusion and electric power is expensive, lime is preferable.

# Calcium Cyanamide and Calcium Nitrate.

The discoveries of the commercial processes for the manufacture of calcium cyanamide and calcium nitrate were made only a few years ago. These substances owe their importance to the fact that they represent two methods of obtaining a commercial supply of nitrogen for plant food from the air. This is of the utmost importance in view of the facts that the commercial supply of combined nitrate will soon be exhausted and that the demand for nitrogen in farm practice and for explosives will then be greater than the means of supply, without resource to these or other new sources.

Calcium cyanamide was first prepared in Europe as a commercial fertilizer. One kind manufactured in Italy was called lime-nitrogen and another kind made in Saxony, Germany, was called nitrogen lime. Calcium cyanamide contains from about 15 to 23 per cent of nitrogen. It is made by heating finely powdered calcium carbide, or lime and coke in an electric furnace at a temperature of about 1100°C and treating the mixture in closed retorts with nitrogen. The product is calcium cyanamide and free carbon, the latter being disseminated throughout the cyanamide and giving it a black color. The nitrogen for the process may be obtained by passing air over heated copper or by the fractional distillation of liquid air.

As in the manufacture of calcium carbide only the calcium oxide is used, hence lime containing the highest percentage of calcium oxide is the most economical. The manufacture and reduction of limestone or hydrated lime to the oxide simply entail unnecessary expense.

Nitric oxide is made by passing air through an electric arc. The nitric oxide (NO) is passed through milk of lime to produce calcium nitrate. This substance, yellowish white in color, is easily soluble in water but deliquesces rapidly in air. This trouble can be avoided if an excess of

lime is used in the manufacture or by melting the product, then grinding it fine and packing in sealed containers. The commercial product contains from about 9 to 13 per cent of nitrogen in form a available for plants.

The heat required varies between 2500° and 3000°C. This is much higher than that necessary for calcium cyanamide and the cost is governed directly by the cost of the electricity. With the great possibilities for the production of electricity in this country from water power the manufacture of calcium nitrate may become an industry of the greatest importance.

In this process the actions of the oxides of calcium and magnesium are similar, hence either high calcium or magnesian lime can be used, but, because the continued use of a fertilizer high in magnesia may result in an excess of magnesia in the soil, high calcium or low magnesian lime on the whole is preferable. The impurities are of little importance. Since milk of lime is required, quick lime or hydrated lime is the most economical form for use.

#### Sugar.

Sugar, like soda-ash products, requires in its manufacture, both calcium oxide and carbon dioxide.

The juice from sugar beets and sugar cane contains various impurities. Some of these discolor the sugar and some change it to glucose. When the juice is heated almost to the boiling point and treated\* with an excess of milk of lime, the lime neutralizes the organic acids, breaks up organic compounds, and coagulates the albumen and mucus. In addition it forms an insoluble compound with the sugar, hence carbon dioxide is forced into the liquid to break up this combination. All of the lime is precipitated as calcium carbonate which settles, carrying with it all of the matter in suspension and leaving a clear solution of sugar.

Only calcium oxide is useful in sugar making and the impurities, especially magnesia, are liable to cause mechanical difficulties. Magnesium carbonate, being more soluble in sugar solutions than calcium carbonate, remains in the solution to be deposited later on the tubes in the evaporating pans. Silica forms a gelatinous precipitate which clogs the cloth in the filter presses. Sugar manufacturers usually specify that the content of magnesium carbonate in limestone shall not exceed 2 per cent and the silica 1 per cent.

Michigan is a large producer of beet sugar and demands considerable stone suitable for sugar manufacture. Some quarry companies find it worth while to produce sugar stone by sorting exceptionally high calcium rock from the quarry run. However, the purest calcium stone cannot be economically used for sugar manufacture if it has unsatisfactory burning qualities.

\*Manufacture of sugar. Internal. Lib. of Technology, sec. 50, p. 36, Internat. Textbook Co., Scranton, Pa., 1902.

Distillation of Wood.

The primary products† produced from the destructive distillation of wood are wood gas, pyroligneous acid, tars and oils, and charcoal, of which charcoal is of least commercial importance. Pyroligneous acid is of chief importance to the lime manufacturer because wood or methyl alcohol, acetic, acid and acetone are derived from it. The manufacture of these products requires the use of lime.

†J. R. Withrow. The Chemical Engineering of the Hardwood Distillation Industry. Chem. Engr., Jan. 1916. S. F. Acru, Chem. Engr., Jan. 1916.

W. E. Emley, Manufacture and Use of Lime, Min. Res. U. S., 1913, Pt. II, p. 1590.

#### Paper.

Wood pulp used for the manufacture of paper is prepared by three different processes,—mechanical, soda, and sulphate. Lime or limestone is used only in the last two. In the soda process,\* or alkali process, lime is used to causticise sodium carbonate, thus recovering the caustic soda used in cooking the wood. Calcium oxide is the only useful substance in lime in the soda pulp industry, hence the purest high calcium lime is most desirable. The magnesia arid impurities are merely inert substances. Lump lime is preferred to hydrated lime on account of the heat generated in slacking which hastens the chemical reaction with the soda.

In the sulphite or acid process, "bisulphite liquor" is used for dissolving the cementing substances of wood. The liquor may be prepared by subjecting limestone to the solvent action of sulphur dioxide and water or milk of lime may be treated by sulphur dioxide. Since magnesium sulphite is much more soluble than calcium sulphite, a much stronger liquor, fundamental to the economic success of the process, can be prepared. In addition a high magnesian liquor gives a better color to the pulp, makes it softer, and this results in better felting qualities when it is made into paper. Impurities are not injurious.

\*W. E. Emley, Min. Res. U. S., 1913, Pt. II, p. 1590.

#### Sand-Lime Brick.

Sand-lime brick are manufactured from a mixture of fine grained sand and hydrated high calcium lime. The brick are pressed into form and then subjected to high pressure steam. The lime combines with a part of the sand, forming a calcium silicate which acts as a cement to bind the sand grains together. Complete hydration of the lime is necessary or the subsequent hydration and expansion will cause the brick to swell or crack. For most purposes the complete hydration of lime is not necessary, hence most of the commercial hydrated lime contains small amounts of unslaked lime. For this reason sand-lime brick manufacturers buy quick-lime and do their own hydrating or have it hydrated according to certain specifications.

Magnesian lime is not well adapted for use in this industry because of the difficulty of completely hydrating† the magnesia and also because the

magnesia reduces the strength of the resulting product. The impurities, especially silica or clay owing to their fluxing qualities, are beneficial if they are not present in excessive amounts.

†S. V. Peppel, Sand-Lime Brick, Bull. 5, p. 38, Ohio Geol. Surv., 1906.

#### Glass Making.

The essential raw materials\* of the common varieties of glass are lime, sand (silica), soda ash (sodium carbonate), and salt cake (sodium sulphate). Red lead (lead oxide) may be used instead of lime and potassium carbonate may replace soda ash. Small amounts of other substances such as carbon, arsenic, etc., are also used to secure certain physical and optical properties. Sand composes from 52 to 65 per cent of the mixture of raw materials. In mixtures for plate glass, limestone equals by weight about one-fourth of the sand, for window glass about two-fifths, and for green bottle glass about one-third. Calcium oxide† is a necessary constituent of these varieties of glass and also of much of the pressed and blown glass. It acts as a flux. Magnesia, on the contrary, makes the mixture of raw materials more difficult to melt, thus more heat is consumed than would otherwise be necessary. It is used, however, when certain optical properties are desired.

For bottle and window glass‡ ground limestone is used but for plate and flint glass ground lime is much more preferable. When ground limestone is used the bubbling or foaming of the viscous half fused mixture, due to the evolution of the carbon dioxide, necessitates the use of much larger glass pots, which are very expensive. The manufacturer of window and bottle glass uses large tank furnaces in which the evolution of gases gives rise to no physical difficulties.

For the manufacture of common bottle and window glass the impurities commonly present in limestone are of little importance, but for white glass the iron oxide in the stone should be less than 0.3 per cent. When present in amounts much above one-half per cent it detracts markedly from the brilliancy, clearness, and transparency of the finished product.

\*E. B. Mathews and J. S. Grasty. The limestones of Maryland, p. 234, Md. Geol. Surv., 1910.

W. G. Miller, The limestones of Ontario, XIIIth Rept. Bur. Mines, 1904, Pt. II, p. 5.

E. F. Burchard, The requirements of sand and limestone for glass making, Bull. 285n, p. 452, U. S. G. S., 1906.

 $\dagger$ W. E. Emley. Manufacture and use of lime. Min. Res. U. S., 1913, Pt. II, p. 1586, U. S. G. S.

‡S. V. Peppel, Bull. 4, Limestones and lime industry of Ohio, p. 242, Ohio Geol. Surv., 1906.

#### Water Softening.

In many parts of the state, particularly in limestone regions, well waters are very hard, being unfit for boiler or laundry purposes. In many cases most of the hardness is only "temporary." This "temporary

hardness" is due to calcium carbonate which, though only slightly soluble in pure water, is held in solution by carbon dioxide in the form of calcium bicarbonate. When the carbon dioxide is removed, this becomes insoluble calcium carbonate, which is precipitated. Carbon dioxide may be driven out by boiling but neutralization with lime is more practicable and cheaper. Lime combines with the carbon dioxide to form calcium carbonate which, together with the original calcium carbonate in the water, is precipitated. Since magnesium oxide and impurities are inert substances, the purest high calcium lime is preferred. The lime is usually carefully slaked\* to a cream and fed into the main body of the water in an automatically regulated stream. From the fact that well burned high calcium lime produces not only the greatest quantity but also the best quality of cream, it is the most satisfactory and economical.

\*W. E. Emley, Manufacture and use of lime. Min. Res. U. S. 1913, Pt. II, p. 1587.

S. V. Peppel, Uses of limestone in Ohio. Bull. 4, p. 244, Ohio Geol. Surv. 1906.

#### Gas Purification.

Gas manufactured by the distillation of coal contains a number of objectionable substances such as carbon dioxide and hydrogen sulphide. These may be removed by passing the gas through layers of moist slaked lime. Calcium oxide is the only useful constituent† in lime but magnesium oxide and the impurities are not injurious.‡ For this reason the purest high calcium lime is the most economical. Hydrated lime is the most convenient form because it is already prepared and easier to handle.

†W. E. Emley, Manufacture and use of lime. Min. Res. U. S. 1913, Pt. II, p. 1588.

‡Chas. Hunt, Gas Lighting, p. 136, 1900.

# By-Products of Coal Distillation.

The chief supply of ammonia is obtained from crude coal gas. The ammonia is removed by washing the crude gas before it reaches the lime purifiers. The resulting solution contains free and combined ammonia. The free gas is distilled off and collected. The addition of lime breaks up the ammonia compounds thus liberating free ammonia, which similarly can be recovered by distillation. According to Peppel§ both high calcium or magnesian lime may be used but Lunge asserts that magnesian lime is not suitable for this purpose. Hydrated and quick lime appear to give equally satisfactory results.

§S. V. Peppel. Manufacture and Use of Lime. Bull. 4, p. 244, Ohio Geol. Surv., 1906.

#### Paints.

Ground lime, air slaked lime, levigated chalk (natural whiting) and chemically precipitated calcium carbonate are extensively used in paint and pigment industries. One of the most essential qualities is fineness of grain, though color or chemical composition may be equally

important. Because limestone is rarely white and is difficult to grind sufficiently fine to meet the requirements of the paint manufacturer, air slaked lime and hydrated lime are the more preferable materials. Cold water paints\* consist essentially of mixed hydrated lime and casein. Obviously, quick lime cannot be used with such substances. Magnesian hydrate is probably preferable to high calcium hydrate on account of its superior spreading qualities.

\*W. E. Emley, Manufacture and Use of Lime, Min. Res. U. S. 1913, Pt. II, p. 1591.

#### Glycerine, Lubricants, and Soaps.

Soap and glycerine manufacturers use considerable quantities of lime. Most common fats are compounds of glycerine with various organic acids. When fats are heated with lime and water under pressure lime replaces the alveerine in the compounds, thus liberating the glycerine. Most of the glycerine produced in the United States is made from fats and oils extracted from garbage. When the "lime soaps" formed in this process are mixed with heavy petroleum oils they make valuable lubricants or greases, especially for heavy machinery and for use at high temperatures. Much of the "lime soap," however, is treated with sulphuric acid to liberate the fatty acids for use in the manufacture of soap and related products. For the manufacture of these products lime is again needed to convert sodium or potassium carbonate into the caustic or hydroxide form. For these purposes calcium oxide is the only useful constituent in the lime, therefore pure high calcium lime gives the most satisfactory results. Magnesia and the impurities, however, are not injurious. Either slaked lime or quicklime can be used, though quicklime may be preferable because the additional heat of slaking tends to hasten the reactions.

#### Tanning.

In the process of tanning leather† lime softens and loosens the hair and adhering particles of fat and flesh so that they can be readily removed by scraping. It also causes an expansion of the pores, called 'plumping," which permits of a larger absorption of oil and tallow. This gives greater weight and solidity to the leather. High calcium limes are desired for most tanning operations, though for some varieties of leather such as morocco the presence of magnesia is desirable. Magnesia and clay are injurious‡ because they not only diminish the amount of calcium oxide but make the lime more difficult to slake. Iron oxides, becoming mechanically fixed in the grain of the leather, may cause stains. The trouble incident to the slaking of magnesian lime may be avoided through the use of hydrated lime. Since hydrated lime needs no preparation and is easier to handle it is the more preferable form.

†S. V. Peppel. The Uses of Limestone in Ohio. Bull. 4, p. 245, Ohio Geol. Surv. 1906.

‡H. R. Proctor. Principles of Leather Manufacture, p. 121, Spon & Chamberlain, New York, 1903.

#### Insecticides.

Lime is an important ingredient in many insecticides. Calcium oxide is the only useful constituent, though magnesia and the impurities are not injurious. The material is usually applied in liquid form by some form of atomizer. Either slaked or hydrated lime can be used with water or other liquid. It is very difficult to slake lump lime to a cream free from coarse particles. These are apt to clog the spraying apparatus, therefore hydrated lime screened to the desired fineness should be much more satisfactory.

### Furnace Linings.

Pure lime is a most refractory substance.\* It fuses only at the high temperatures of the electric furnace.

Theoretically high calcium lime should be a satisfactory material† for lining open hearth furnaces, but the rapidity with which it slakes upon exposure to air makes this substance valueless for this purpose. Upon reheating, the driving off of the moisture reduces the lime to powder, therefore it has little durability. Calcined dolomite (CaCO<sub>3</sub>, MgCO<sub>3</sub>) slakes very slowly upon exposure to air and is much less liable to crack with changes of temperature but calcined magnesite (MgCO<sub>3</sub>) is far superior to the purest dolomite in these respects and is now always used for the original bottoms in openhearth furnaces. Its high first cost, however, has until recently prevented its general use. As a consequence dolomite, on account of its cheapness, has been commonly used for the working linings and the repairing of basic furnaces and in some cases for the whole lining. It is impossible to set a dolomite bottom as dense and vitreous as magnesite, hence portions of the bottom from time to time will break loose and float even with the most watchful care.

The permanent lining of the furnace is usually built of basic brick, generally magnesite brick, chromite, etc. A working lining of crushed basic material, dolomite or a mixture of dolomite and magnesite with a binding material such as tar or molasses to hold it in place, is then tamped upon the permanent lining to the depth of two or three feet. Formerly it was thought necessary to use lime but at present crushed limestone is found to give just as satisfactory results since the stone is calcined to lime during the operation of the furnace.

The stone must be low in silica and alumina because these materials fuse readily with lime, thus tending to destroy the lining. A stone suitable for openhearth lining should contain less than 1 per cent of silica and 1.5 per cent of alumina and iron, and not less than 35 per cent of magnesium carbonate, though in practice stone considerably short of these specifications is often used.

\*E. B. Mathews and J. S. Grasty. The Limestones of Maryland, Vol. VIII, Pt. III, p. 234 Md. Geol. Surv. 1910.

†Harbison-Walker Refractories Co. A Study of the Open Hearth, p. 22, Pittsburg, 1912.

#### Blast Furnace Flux.

Iron ores generally carry considerable impurities or gangue material such as silica, alumina, etc. The gangue material is generally acid\* in nature and riot readily fusible. To remove this relatively infusible material its composition must be so changed that fusibility will be increased. This may be brought about by supplying a suitable base to unite with the acid material. Limestone furnishes the cheapest and most active of the bases, namely calcium oxide, hence its universal use as a flux in the smelting of iron ores or other metallic ores containing acid gangue material.

The quantity of limestone necessary for smelting iron ore depends upon the amount of acid material present to be neutralized,—in general, the greater the acid impurities the greater the amount of base required. In some iron ores the gangue includes a considerable percentage of basic material which will neutralize an equivalent amount of the acid material. In such cases only enough limestone is added to flux the excess acid material in the ore and in the ash of the fuel. In 1914 approximately 15,300,000 tons of limestone were used in smelting approximately 40,600,000 tons of iron ore or about three-eighths tons of limestone to one ton of ore.

It follows that the value of a limestone for fluxing purposes depends upon the amount of available bases present. This consists of that portion of the stone remaining after the carbon dioxide, the silica, alumina, and other acid impurities, and the portion of the base required to flux the acid impurities have been deducted.

High calcium limestone is generally preferred for blast furnace work yet practical tests indicate that dolomite or magnesian limestone can be used for flux in part or whole with satisfactory results.† Small quantities of magnesia do not appreciably affect the behavior of the

flux but when present with calcium in considerable amount it makes the slag more fusible. According to Mathews and Grasty\*\* magnesia has less affinity for sulphur and phosphorus than calcium oxide, hence its presence is undesirable.

In openhearth work,†† however, high calcium, low silicaalumina limestone is demanded. The specifications usually required are that the silica must be under 1 per cent, the alumina under 1.50, and the magnesia under 5 per cent.

Hydraulic Limes and Cements.

Hydraulic limes. Lime burned from limestone, either high calcium or magnesian, containing 5 to 10 per cent‡ of sand and clayey material are termed hydraulic lime.

Hydraulic limes will slake as they come from the kilns without further treatment. If the sandy and clayey material in the limestone exceeds about 10 per cent, the resulting lime fails to slake without first being finely ground and is a hydraulic cement.

No hydraulic limes are produced in Michigan, though many strata in the Traverse formation and the Trenton limestone apparently have the desired composition.

Hydraulic Cements. There are three principal classes§ of hydraulic cements, viz., (1) Portland cement, (2) natural, or Roman, and (3) Puzzolan.

Natural Cements. Natural cement is made by grinding finely the calcined product from burning at a temperature below 1000-1100°C to incipient vitrification an argillaceous limestone containing over 10 per cent of siliceous and argillaceous matter. The limestones from which the commercial natural cements in the United States are made contain from 13 to 35 per cent§§ of clayey material of which 10 to 22 per cent is silica. Natural cement is usually yellow or brown. It sets more rapidly than Portland cement and has lower specific gravity and tensile strength.

Portland Cement. Portland cement is made by finely pulverizing the clinker produced by burning to incipient fusion an intimate mixture§§§ of finely pulverized and properly proportioned argillaceous and calcareous materials with the addition of such other substances, not to exceed 3 per cent, as may be necessary to control certain properties. The proportions of the mixture are approximately three parts of calcium carbonate to one part of silica, alumina, and iron oxide. Portland cement is made from carefully proportioned mixtures and is burned at a temperature (approaching 3000°F) sufficient to fuse or clinker.

‡S. V. Peppel The Uses of Limestone in Ohio, Bull. 4, p. 252, Ohio Geol. Surv. 1906.

§H. A. Buehler. The Lime and Cement Resources of Missouri, Vol. VI, 2nd ser., p. 18, Mo. Bur. Geol. & Mines, 1907.

§§E. C. Eckel. Cement, Limes and Plasters, Chapter XVII.

 $\S$ E. F. Burchard. Cement, Min. Res. U. S. 1914, Pt. II, p. 222, U. S. G. S.

The raw calcareous ingredients are limestone, marl, and chalk, and the argillaceous and siliceous ingredients, clay, shale, and slate. Blast furnace slag, which is mainly fused lime, alumina, and silica, contains all of the ingredients of Portland cement, though not in the prescribed proportions.

Formerly 4 per cent of magnesia was considered the maximum permissible in Portland cement. To secure such a product only pure high calcium limestone may be used. Incomplete results of an important investigation carried on by the U. S. Bureau of Standards\* indicate that satisfactory cement can be made with a magnesia content in the finished cement of about 7.5 per cent. If more thorough tests substantiate the preliminary tests the range of raw materials will be greatly extended and many quarries containing beds relatively high in

<sup>\*</sup>R. Forsythe. The Blast Furnace and the Manufacture of Pig Iron. p. 86, D. Williams & Co., New York, 1913.

<sup>†</sup>R. Forsyth. The Blast Furnace and the Manufacture of Pig Iron, p. 88, D. Williams Co., New York, 1913.

<sup>\*</sup>Mathews and Grasty, loc. cit.

<sup>††</sup>E. B. Mathews and J. S. Grasty. The Limestones of Maryland, Vol. VIII, Pt. III, p. 249S Md. Geol. Surv., 1910.

magnesia may be operated without sorting necessary under the present specifications for raw materials.

Puzzolan Cement. Puzzolan cement is a finely ground mechanical mixture of siliceous and aluminous materials such as blast furnace slag or volcanic ash, and slaked lime. Slag cement is made extensively at a number of the larger blast furnaces in the United States. The hot slag is granulated in cold water, dried, and then ground with slaked lime. Puzzolan cements are generally light bluish in color and of lower specific gravity and less tensile strength† than Portland cement, and are considered better adapted for use under water than in air.

\*P. H, Bates. Progress Report. The properties of Portland cement having a high magnesia content: Concrete-Cement Age, Cement Mill section, Mar. 1914, pp. 29-33, 38. See also extract, E. F. Burchard, Min. Res. U. S. 1914, Pt. II, pp. 245, 246, U. S. G. S.

†E. C. Eckel. Portland cement materials and industry of the United States, U. S. Geol. Surv. Bull. 22, p. 18, 1913.

#### Miscellaneous Uses of Limestone and Lime.

Limestone and lime are used for many other purposes,‡ among which may be mentioned the manufacture of dichromates, magnesia, bone ash, glue, and varnish; as the refining and purifying agent in the distillation of mercury; in the clarification of grain, in refining fats, greases, butter, linseed oil, and petroleum; in preserving eggs, and as a general disinfectant and deodorizing agent; as a filter in the paper, textile, linoleum, and rubber industries; as a mordant in dyeing; as an abrasive in polishing; in the manufacture of calcium light pencils, and of magnesium for flash-light powders; as lime water in medicine; for the recovery of potassium cyanide used in extracting gold and silver from ores; to neutralize the sulphuric acid used in pickling steel, and for a great variety of minor purposes.

‡E. F. Burchard, Production of Lime in 1911, Min. Res. of U. S. for 1911, U. S. Geol. Surv., Pt. II, pp. 645-718.

See also W. E. Emley, Manufacture and Use of Limestone, Min. Res. U. S. for 1913, U. S. G. S., p. 1592.

# CHAPTER IV. GEOLOGY OF LIMESTONE FORMATIONS.

#### GEOLOGIC DISTRIBUTION.

Limestone occurs in rocks of all ages from the Archean to the Recent. In Michigan it occurs in Algonkian and Paleozoic rocks. Marl or bog lime occurs in the inland lakes.

# ALGONKIAN LIMESTONES.

Algonkian limestones occur only in the Lower Huronian group of the iron bearing districts of the Northern Peninsula. In the Marquette iron bearing district the limestone formation is called Kona dolomite; in the Crystal Falls, Menominee, Sturgeon River, and Felch Mountain districts, the Randville dolomite; in the Iron River district, the Saunders formation; and in the Gogebic district, the Bad River limestone. They are

heavily magnesian, generally approaching normal dolomite in composition. Locally there are thick pure beds but generally these formations contain interbedded slate or quartzite, and in most places abundant cherty and argillaceous impurities and silicate minerals. These impurities occur in bands parallel to the bedding, in irregular seams and masses, and intimately intermingled with the dolomite. In some places the color is white, in others it varies from white to pink, red, buff and brown, and even light and deep blue. The generally siliceous character (see analyses) of the Lower Huronian dolomites makes them unsuitable for most purposes, except for crushed stone, hence they are of little economic importance.

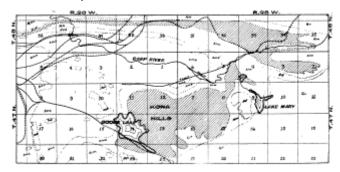


Figure 1. Map showing distribution of Kona dolomite. (After Van Hise, Bayley and Smyth, Monograph 28, U. S. Geological Survey).

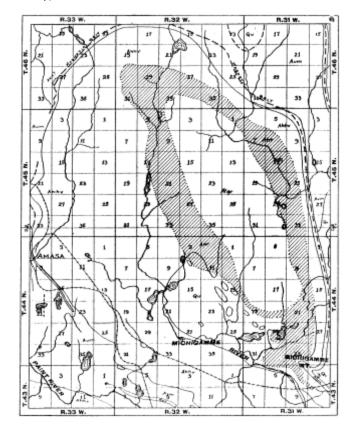


Figure 2. Map showing distribution of Randville dolomite northeast of Crystal Falls. (After Clements and Smyth, Monograph 36, U. S. Geological Survey).

Kona dolomite. The Kona\* dolomite (fig. 1) forms a westward facing-U in the eastern part of the Marquette iron district, the arms of which terminate near Teal Lake on the north and Goose Lake on the south. The exposures are usually in the form of sharp and abrupt cliffs cut by ravines or separated by drift filled valleys. The Kona formation is dominantly dolomite with interstratified layers of shale, graywacke and quartzite. The dolomite beds are from a few inches to many feet thick, but even the purest beds contain thin cherty layers and clastic material. The color varies from pink and red to dark brown. The total thickness of the Kona formation ranges from about 200 or 250 feet to apparently 600 or 700 feet.

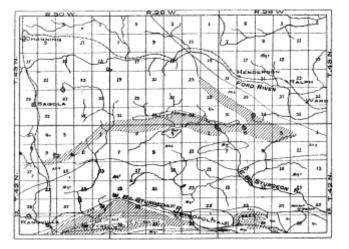


Figure 3. Map showing distribution of Randville dolomite in the Felch Mountain and Sturgeon River district. (After Smyth and Clements, Monograph 36, U. S. Geological Survey).

Owing to folding and consequent metamorphism the dolomite is finely shattered and the siliceous and argillaceous impurities are altered to quartzite, schist, and slate. Locally the graywacke, quartz, and cherty quartz layers are brecciated. The Kona formation grades upward into the Wewe slate and downward into the Mesnard quartzite.

\*C. R. VanHise and C. K. Leith. The Geology of the Lake Superior District, Mon. LII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1911, p. 258.

Randville dolomite. The Randville dolomite† occurs in the Crystal Falls, Menominee, Felch Mountain, Calumet and Sturgeon River districts.



Figure 4. Map of the Randville dolomite in the Menominee district. (After W. S. Bayley; Monograph 46, U.S. Geological Survey).

In the Crystal Falls district (fig. 2) it has a maximum thickness of about 1500 feet. It varies from coarsely crystalline marble, in places very pure, but usually filled with silicate minerals, to fine grained, little altered limestone, locally grading into dolomitic sandstone and shale. The color is generally white, but various shades of pink, light and deep blue, and pale green are not uncommon.

The Randville dolomite underlies a large part of the Felch Mountain district (fig. 3) and is very thick.

In the Menominee district (fig. 4) it occupies three separate belts extending in a more or less east and west direction. The formation, though dominantly dolomite, is composed of heterogeneous beds including siliceous dolomite, calcareous quartzite, argillaceous and cherty quartz rocks. It grades downward into the Sturgeon River quartzite. The predominant phase is homogeneous, fine grained white, pink, blue, or buff dolomite. The beds vary in thickness from a few inches up to many feet. Thin veins of quartz running parallel to the bedding, anastomosing, or running irregularly through the rock mass are characteristic. The argillaceous material is in the form of light or dark gray slate and to a small extent, black slate.

†C. R. VanHise and C. K. Leith. Geology of the Lake Superior District, Mon. LII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1911, pp. 293, 300, 302, 333.

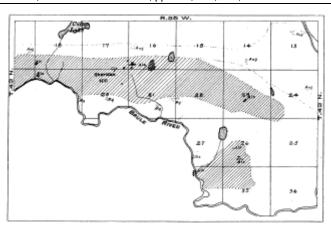


Figure 5. Map of the Saunders formation in the Iron River iron bearing district. (After R. C. Allen, Michigan Geological Survey, Publication 3).

Saunders formation. The Saunders\* formation (fig. 5) extends across the southern part of the Iron River district It is composed mainly of cherty dolomite and quartzite. Associated with these are massive white and pink dolomite, impure calcareous and talcose slates. The formation is locally much brecciated. The thickness is believed to be great but owing to folding it cannot be closely determined.

\*R. C. Allen. The Iron River District, Mon. LII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1911, pp. 310, 311. 19

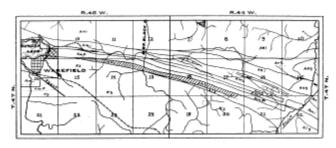


Figure 6. Map showing distribution of Bad River limestone in the east end of the Gogebic iron range. (After Van Hise and Irving, Monograph 19, U. S. Geological Survey).

Bad River limestone. The Bad River limestone\* occurs in limited areas on the Gogebic iron range (fig. 6). It is heavily magnesian and locally it is nearly normal dolomite. Generally it is very siliceous, the siliceous content being in the form of chert and quartz, and to less extent silicate minerals. In places the free silica is intermingled with the dolomite and at other points it is in bands varying from a fraction of an inch in thickness to many feet.

\*C. R. VanHise and C. K. Leith. The Geology of the Lake Superior District, Mon. LII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1911, p. 228.

#### PALEOZOIC LIMESTONES.

#### Geologic Occurrence.

Limestone formations occur in all of the Paleozoic systems of Michigan, except the Cambrian and Pennsylvanian. The chief limestone formations are the Beekmantown (Calciferous) including the Hermansville limestone, and the Trenton limestone of the Ordovician; the "Niagara" or Guelph and Lockport limestones, and the Monroe and Salina formations of the Silurian, the Dundee limestone, and the Traverse formation of the Devonian, and the Bayport limestone at the top of the Mississippian. Limestone horizons of minor importance occur at other points in the geological column as the Manitoulin limestone in the Cincinnati series of the upper Ordovician and the Clinton of the lower Silurian. Lenses of limestone also occur in the Michigan series in the upper portion of the Mississippian and locally in the Coal Measures of the Pennsylvanian, but these are of little or no importance.

As may be seen from the following geologic column (fig. 7) the great bulk of the limestone occurs in the lower two-thirds of the Paleozoic.

# RELATION OF GEOLOGIC STRUCTURE TO AREAL DISTRIBUTION.

The Paleozoic formations in Michigan form a gigantic nest of very broad, shallow, warped basins, whose diameters decrease regularly from the bottom upward (fig. 8). Were the rocks uncovered by removing the loose surface deposits and draining the Great Lakes the rims of these basins would form concentric belts around the Coal Measures (fig. 9).

The Michigan Basin is a geologic province including the Southern Peninsula, the eastern part of the Northern

Peninsula, the western part of Ontario, the eastern part of Wisconsin, and northern parts of Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio. The average diameter of the Basin is about 500 miles. The deepest part appears to be in Midland and Isabella counties near the geographical center of the Southern Peninsula. The total depression or depth apparently is over 7000 feet, but this is so small in comparison with the diameter that the inclination of the formations toward the center of the Basin is usually between 25 and 50 feet per mile, and rarely exceeds 60 feet.

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Figure 7. Geologic column of Michigan from St. Peter sandstone to the Pleistocene. (After A. C. Lane).

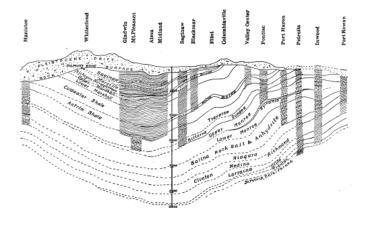


Figure 8. Geologic section across the Michigan Basin from Port Rowan, Ontario, northwest to Manistee, Michigan.

The basin-like structure and the occurrence of the bulk of the limestone in the lower part of the rock column determine the areal distribution of the limestone formations in concentric belts near the margin of the Basin. The only extensive limestone regions in the Southern Peninsula are in the extreme northern and southeastern portions.

# MARL OR BOG LIME DEPOSITS.

Many of the glacial lakes in Michigan, northern Indiana and western New York contain marl deposits. Many swamps, formerly the sites of glacial lakes, also contain marl. In some of the lakes marl formation is still being formed. Marl deposits vary in extent from a few acres up to several hundred, and in thickness from a few feet to 50 feet or more.

Marl is known to occur in 22 different counties in the Southern Peninsula, and the total area of proven deposits of workable size is over 26,000 acres.

THE PALAEOZOIC LIMESTONES.

Areal Distribution and General Description.

Beekmantown. (Calciferous, Lower Magnesian), Hermansville limestone. The Beekmantown formation (fig. 9), which apparently includes the Hermansville limestone, forms the rock surface throughout a belt in the Northern Peninsula, extending north-northeast from Menominee River through the central part of Menominee County into the southeastern part of Marquette County where it veers toward the east and extends through Alger County, the northern part of Schoolcraft, and the central portions of Luce and Chippewa counties, crossing St. Marys River near the north end of Neebish Island. It is exposed in the bed of Menominee River, at several places in Alger county and on Neebish Island.

In Michigan the Beekmantown is composed of white dolomite generally sandy, white sandstone and gradational phases from one to the other. Much of the sandstone has an abundance of dolomitic cement, but some is a true glass sand composed of small rounded colorless quartz grains with little cement. The Hermansville limestone of the Menominee iron district represents some part of the Beekmantown. It is described by Rominger\* as a "coarse grained sandstone with an abundance of calcareous cement in alternation with pure dolomite, or sometimes oolitic beds." The dolomite, however, is in many places very sandy. The thickness of the Beekmantown is variable, due to erosion, but generally it is between 180 and 250 feet. The Hermansville has been heavily eroded and exists chiefly as remnants on the tops of the hills in the Menominee district.

The generally siliceous character (see analyses) of the dolomite in the Beekmantown makes it unfit for most purposes. It is of little economic value except possibly for building stone.

\*Paleozoic rocks, Geol. Surv. Mich., Vol. I, Pt. III, 1873, p. 81.

Trenton (Galena and Platteville) limestone. The Trenton limestone is exposed only in the Northern Peninsula where it underlies a broad belt extending northeast along the west side of Green Bay and Little Bay de Noc, through the eastern part of Menominee county and the western half of Delta county, becoming much narrower through Schoolcraft, Luce, and Chippewa counties to St. Marys River. The formation is well exposed near Menominee along the lower courses of the Ford, Escanaba, Rapid, and White Fish rivers and on St. Marys River.

The formation is composed of both low magnesian and high magnesian limestone, blue to buff and brown in color and generally argillaceous. Locally it is very argillaceous and bituminous. Thin seams of shale are common and fine wavy laminae of shaly or bituminous matter are characteristic. In the Northern Peninsula the Trenton has three phases,\* viz., (1) an upper granular, crystalline, high magnesian limestone with alternating blue and buff or brown layers terminating at the base in a dark or black bituminous limestone, (2) a middle portion of sandy or cherty layers, and (3) a basal member of blue shale and limestone, the latter being locally dark or black. In the southern part of the state where it has been penetrated in deep wells it has four well marked divisions, viz., (1) an upper, thin, dark grayish, buff and brown, high magnesian portion, (2) a thick, white to light buff, low magnesian limestone series, (3) a thick, dark, buff and brown argillaceous and bituminous series of limestones, and (4) a lower, very thick, dark gray and brown, argillaceous and bituminous series. The generally shaly and argillaceous character of the Trenton formation makes most of it unsuitable for most purposes except rough building block and crushed stone.

The thickness in the Northern Peninsula ranges from about 250 feet along Green Bay to 100 feet or less on St. Marys River. In southeastern Michigan the formation is much thicker, averaging about 850 feet.

\*A. C. Lane, Geological Section of Michigan, Ann. Rept. 1908, Mich. Geol. Surv., p. 48.



Plate I. A. Boulder tract of Engadine dolomite near Hessel, Mackinac county.

These massive boulders are of characteristic occurrence in regions underlain by the Engadine dolomite.

"Niagara" Limestone.—Guelph and Lockport. The "Niagara" limestone is composed of an upper whiter and more crystalline portion called the Guelph dolomite, and a lower darker and generally less crystalline portion called the Lockport limestone, which is the Niagara proper. Since the two formations have not yet been certainly differentiated in Michigan and since quarrymen, lime burners, and lime users are habituated to the use of the term "Niagara", the name is retained in this report to include both the Guelph and the Lockport.

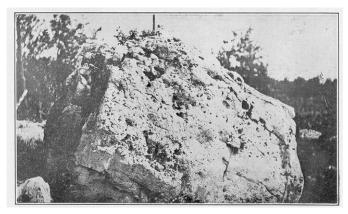


Plate I. B. A large weathered boulder of Engadine dolomite near the railroad one mile west of Engadine, Mackinac county.

The massive character of the boulders and the numerous drusy cavities with the peculiar concentric structures about them are characteristic of the Engadine dolomite.

The Niagara limestone comes to the surface only in the 'Northern Peninsula. It underlies a broad belt skirting the northern shores of Lake Michigan and Lake Huron from the southern end of Garden Peninsula, Delta County, to the eastern side of Drummond Island, Lake Huron, Throughout large areas it is at or near the surface. The exposures are numerous, and owing to the hard and massive character of many of the rock layers and the gentle inclination of the strata they are usually in the form of escarpments or cuestas with steep or precipitous slopes toward the north and gentle slopes toward the south. Swamps occupy most of the depressions between the escarpments. The escarpments afford unusually favorable conditions for quarrying. The long slopes in many cases correspond to the inclination of the beds which varies from about 40 to 60 feet per mile. The gentle lakeward dip of the strata results in shallow water for long distances off shore and an absence of good harbors. This forms a serious obstacle in the development of the numerous high grade limestone beds of the Niagara which occur some miles back from the shore.

The whole formation, excepting near the base, is characterized by an absence of shaly or argillaceous material. The content of both iron and alumina is generally below one per cent, and in many beds less than one-half of one per cent. Silica, in the form of quartz sand, seams and nodules of chert, and silicified fossils, is much more abundant. Some beds are extremely cherty and siliceous, though in most of them the silica does not exceed 1½ or 2 per cent. In the

Engadine dolomite at the top of the formation the total impurities are in many places less than one per cent.

The Niagara limestone is composed of at least four distinct and easily recognized members which the writer has provisionally named and defined as (1) *Engadine dolomite*, (2) *Manistique series*, (3) *Fiborn limestone* and (4) *Hendricks series*.

Engadine dolomite. The Engadine dolomite is the name proposed for the upper member of the Niagara. It is best exposed in the vicinity of Ozark, Mackinac County, but because this name was already preoccupied in geologic literature the member was named from the village of Engadine, where it is exposed over a large area about one mile west of the village. The Engadine dolomite is an extremely massive, hard, and very crystalline dolomite, distinctly bluish or mottled and streaked with blue. It is also characterized by numerous druse cavities more or less completely filled with crystals of dolomite or pearl spar. The stone is very poorly and massively bedded, and except where greatly weathered shows very few distinct bedding planes. The joint systems are generally poorly developed and very irregular. It forms a strong, though broken, northward facing escarpment nearly the entire distance from Seoul Choix Pt., Schoolcraft County, to St. Marys River. Areas where this formation is exposed or near the surface are covered with great boulders as at Ozark, Engadine, Hessel and Garnet. (Pl. I, A and B).

Owing to its highly crystalline character and bluish colorations the Engadine dolomite is known locally as marble. This resemblance to marble resulted in considerable core drilling near the mouth of Bulldog River, Schoolcraft County, in an attempt to prove up a marble deposit. The color, however, is not permanent. Upon exposure to the weather for a year or two the bluish color changes to a light buff or brown. The writer has seen stone in which the color had been completely altered to the depth of more than an inch, though the stone had been quarried but two years. Those parts of the stone which are free from druse cavities undoubtedly would make good building block, but it would be an unsatisfactory substitute for marble.

The Engadine beds are uniformly normal dolomite, almost free from impurities. The exceptional purity of the dolomite makes it especially adapted for basic linings in open hearth furnaces and for paper manufacture with the sulphite process.

The dark argillaceous dolomites of the Monroe-Salina apparently overlie the Engadine dolomite but nowhere have the two been seen in contact. The contact with fossiliferous beds of the underlying Manistique series is sharp and well exposed along a high bluff about two miles north of Ozark. At this point the thickness, which is the maximum observed anywhere, is about 54 feet. The surface of the bluff has suffered severe glacial erosion, therefore the normal thickness of the formation is presumably considerably more than this.

In southeastern Michigan and southwestern Ontario the same bluish, highly crystalline dolomite occurs directly beneath very dark argillaceous dolomite apparently belonging to the base of the Salina. The thickness of the bluish crystalline dolomite in the H. R. Ford well at Dearborn, Wayne County, is about 95 feet.

Manistique series. The Manistique series is a thick succession of dolomite and high magnesian limestones extending from the base of the Engadine dolomite downward to the top of the Fiborn limestone.

It comprises a great variety of dolomites and generally high magnesian limestones, differing greatly in color, texture, and structure. The color varies from pure white, light gray and buff to blue, dark gray, and buff or brown, the texture from earthy or finely crystalline to coarsely crystalline. Some of the strata are massive but others are thin bedded. The jointing varies from regular to very irregular. Many of the beds are very fossiliferous but some contain no fossils. Favosites, Halysites, and Syringopora are conspicuous among the corals, though many other forms are abundant. *Pentamerus oblongus* is a most conspicuous form among the brachiopods. Two to three miles north of Engadine the beds are extremely fossiliferous. Some are a mass of corals and bryozoa and others a mass of brachiopods. Apparently this region was the site of extensive reef building in Niagaran time.

Many of the beds are very dense, finely banded or laminated, and break with a pronounced conchoidal fracture. The fine banding is beautifully brought out through weathering and the term "ribbon limestone" is often given to such rock. Some beds are very granular and resemble sandstone.

The percentage of iron and alumina, though generally higher than in the Engadine dolomite, is usually low. The silica, however, is apt to be high and some of the beds are extremely cherty and siliceous.

Formerly the limestones of this series were much used for burning lime, but now they are utilized for lime only at Manistique. Some of the stone is burned only with great difficulty. The great difference in chemical composition and physical qualities between the different beds in most quarries generally necessitate hand sorting. The hardness and toughness of much of the stone, combined with ease of access, lend value to this formation for road making and concrete.

The series is widely exposed, particularly in the vicinity of Manistique and along the west side of Garden Peninsula where there are bluffs rising nearly vertically from 100 to over 230 feet above Big Bay de Noc, also near Gould City, north of Engadine, southeast of Trout Lake, at Rockview, and at many places on Drummond Island. From Manistique northwest to Indian Lake and beyond there is an almost continuous succession of small roughly parallel and nearly E-W escarpments facing north with gentle back slopes toward the south. The northern limit of the exposures of this series, like that of the Engadine dolomite, is generally marked by a

pronounced though much broken escarpment. In places the escarpment rises 100 to 150 feet or more above the level of the swamps to the north.

The thickness of the series is uncertain but it is over 250 feet as shown by the section at Burnt Bluff, Garden Peninsula. The contact with the Engadine dolomite above is well exposed at several places but the contact with the Fiborn limestone below was observed only in the Hendricks quarry where in places five or six feet of light colored magnesian limestone rests directly on the Fiborn.

Fiborn limestone. In practically all of the geological literature the Niagara limestone is described as a dolomite formation. Rominger\* who made an early study of the Niagara found only very thin and insignificant beds of high calcium stone. Some time prior to 1901, Dr. A. C. Lane† visited some caves in limestone on sections 15, 16, 21 and 22, T. 44 N., R. 7 W. This limestone proved to be low in magnesia and some years later quarrying operations were begun at the site of the present Fiborn quarry. Deposits of high calcium limestone were discovered at other places to the west and two other quarries, now known as the Blaney and Hendricks were opened.

In 1913 the writer found that the Fiborn limestone is exposed at many places in several areas of considerable size in an arcuate belt (fig. 9) which extends from a point (cen. S. line of sec. 2, T. 42 N., R. 14 W.) four miles north of Whitedale, Schoolcraft County, eastward to Gould City, Mackinac County, thence northeast to Hendricks quarry (sec. 1, T. 44 N., R. 9 W.) and thence southeast through Fiborn quarry (sees, 16 and 21, T. 44 N., R. 7 W.) to within two or three miles of Trout Lake. Westward from section 11, T. 42 N., R. 14 W., the bed disappears beneath the swamps north of the prominent escarpment of the Manistique series, along the Manistique River and its branches, and the streams running into Indian Lake. Eastward from Trout Lake the bed disappears beneath the lake clays of Mackinac and Chippewa counties. On Lime Island, St. Marys River, the drift is filled with angular fragments of the Fiborn stone, indicating its presence in that immediate vicinity. Apparently the bed crosses Drummond Island from the vicinity of Maxton southeast toward Marblehead. It is possible that a three foot bed of fine grained, ash colored, high calcium\*\* limestone in the lower portion of the Marblehead section is the diminished representative of the Fiborn bed.

The largest area of exposures is in the vicinity of Blaney quarry, Gould City, and the Hendricks and Fiborn quarries. Blaney quarry is located near the west end of an area of almost continuous exposures over a mile in width extending from about the middle of section 4, T. 42 N., R. 13 W., eastward about five miles nearly to Lake Ella. About a mile west of Gould City the area in which Fiborn stone is exposed, or near the surface, is apparently more than a square mile in extent. In the vicinity of Hendricks and Fiborn quarries exposures are said to extend over an area of two to three square miles.

The Fiborn bed is exposed, or is at shallow depths, at several other places, notably four miles north of Whitedale, five miles north of Engadine, two or three miles northwest of Trout Lake, and between Fiborn and Hendricks quarries.

The Fiborn limestone beds are buff to grayish buff dense grained to lithographic limestone generally containing small disseminated crystals of calcite. The lithographic texture is very marked in some beds but small crystals of calcite apparently render nearly all of the stone of no value for lithographic purposes. It is possible that certain thin strata may be found sufficiently free from crystals to yield moderate sized slabs suitable for lithographic work.

The stone is mainly massive though locally it is markedly laminated and well bedded. The joint systems are very irregular and poorly developed. The stone is brittle and breaks with a perfect conchoidal fracture, forming fragments with sharp points and edges. The lithographic texture, numerous small calcite crystals, and perfect conchoidal fracture are features which make field identification of the Fiborn beds easy and unmistakable. Moreover, the stone calcines easily and, wherever forest fires have passed over it, the surfaces of the exposures and field boulders are pure white in contrast to the grayish or yellowish white of partially burned stone from other beds.

The Fiborn bed is very uniform in composition and generally the content of calcium carbonate is between 94 and 97 per cent. The silica varies usually from 0.75 to 1.50 per cent, and the iron and alumina from 0.25 to 0.75 per cent. Magnesium carbonate, except near the bottom of the bed, is usually below 2 per cent, though locally it may exceed 3 or 4 per cent. The bottom portion in most places contains from about 2 per cent to 5 per cent, or even more of magnesium carbonate. Owing to its purity and freedom from magnesia the Fiborn limestone is quarried extensively for blast furnace flux, carbide, sugar manufacture, and hot lime. Though very brittle the stone makes very satisfactory road material on account of its high cementing power.

The thickness of the member varies from 18 to about 30 feet. The maximum thickness developed in the Blaney quarry is about 26 feet. Eastward this decreases to only about 18 feet at the Hendricks quarry but still farther east the bed thickens to nearly 30 feet in the Fiborn quarry. If the thin bed of high calcium acicular stone in the Marblehead section, Drummond Island, is the representative of the Fiborn bed it has shrunk to only about three feet in thickness. In one of the Manistique wells 27 feet of "white limestone" was penetrated between 80 and 107 feet in depth and this may be the Fiborn bed. It is a significant fact that although the lower portion (Lockport) of the Niagara is well exposed on Manitoulin Island in Ontario no trace of a high calcium bed has been observed. The same may be said for the western extension of the Niagara in Wisconsin. In the H. R. Ford well at Dearborn which completely penetrated the Niagara, no trace of high calcium stone was found though samples were taken every five feet. This would

indicate that the Fiborn bed is a lens in the Niagara and largely confined to the limits of the Northern Peninsula.

\*C. Rominger, Paleozoic rocks, Vol. I, Pt. III, p. 37, Mich. Geol. Surv , 1869

†Ann. Rept. Mich. Geol. Surv. 1905, Limestone, p. 20.

\*\*C. Rominger, Vol. I, Pt. III, p. 35, Mich. Geol. Surv. 1873.

Hendricks series. In the floor of the Hendricks quarry of the Union Carbide Company a test pit has been sunk to the depth of about 20 feet and test holes have been drilled in the vicinity of the quarry to the depth of over 145 feet. The beds in the test pit range in composition from high calcium limestone to normal dolomite, and according to the analyses of the drill cores the strata down to 145 feet and perhaps deeper are composed of the same alternating series of high calcium, and low to high magnesian limestones. As far as known none of these strata are exposed anywhere else except in. the vicinity of the Manistique lakes and apparently at Marblehead, Drummond Island. The writer, however, has not visited these localities, hence must rely upon the older descriptions given by Rominger. Other exposures probably occur on some of the islands in St. Marys River and Potagannissing Bay.

The bed immediately underlying the Fiborn limestone at Hendricks quarry is a very white crystalline limestone containing from 2 to 5 per cent of magnesia. In the Blaney quarry of the White Marble Lime Co. this bed is said to contain only about 85 per cent of calcium carbonate. At Fiborn also it contains considerable magnesia. At Hendricks quarry the white limestone is directly underlain by one foot of dark lithographic limestone containing only about one per cent of magnesia. The next lower bed, 2 feet thick, is higher in magnesia and the next two, together 8 feet thick, are practically normal dolomite. Next follows one foot of high calcium stone which gives place to heavy magnesian limestone which forms the floor of the pit. According to the analyses of two drill cores from the vicinity of Hendricks quarry the magnesian zone below the Fiborn bed is between 13 and 14 feet thick, therefore the floor of the test pit must be near the bottom of the zone. The magnesian zone is followed by a series of high calcium limestones 30 to 50 feet in thickness. Below this there are low magnesian limestones down to 145 feet, the bottom of the deeper hole.

According to Rominger the exposures on Manistique lakes are highly magnesian and also most of the strata at Marblehead, Drummond Island.

The writer has provisionally termed the series of limestones and dolomites from the base of the Fiborn limestone down to the Rochester shale, the *Hendricks series*. Further field work and faunistic studies, however, may show that the Fiborn limestone should be included in this series. The belt underlain by the Hendricks series lies directly north of the belt of Fiborn exposures and almost wholly in a heavily drift covered area, hence the conditions for detailed study are very unfavorable.

The thickness of the Hendricks series is uncertain but it is certainly over 100 feet as shown by the drill holes near Hendricks quarry.

Salina formation. The Salina formation has not been definitely recognized in outcrops in Michigan. In St. Ignace peninsula it may be some part of what is now mapped and described as the Monroe formation.

Monroe formation. The Monroe formation is exposed in southeastern Michigan and in St. Ignace peninsula and adjacent islands. In Monroe county the following subdivisions are now recognized\*:

Upper Monroe or Detroit River series.	Lucas dolomite	200 ft.+ 20 ft. 40 ft. 60 ft.
2. Sylvania sandstone a	and dolomite.	
3. Lower Monroe or Bass Island series.	Raisin River dolomite	200 ft. 100 ft. 90 ft. 100 ft.

These subdivisions, however, have not been recognized in the Monroe formation in St. Ignace peninsula and adjacent islands and apparently the three primary divisions are clearly developed only in southeastern Michigan in Monroe County and along Detroit River. North and northwest from this region the Sylvania sandstone grades into dolomite, though here and there in the state borings show the presence of a sandstone at about the horizon of the Sylvania.

\*W. H. Sherzer and A. W. Grabau. The Monroe Formation, Pub. 2, Geol. Ser. 1, Mich. Geol. and Biol. Surv. 1909, pp. 27-54.

Lower Monroe or Bass Island series. The Lower Monroe series is composed chiefly of gray argillaceous dolomite with some shale, gypsum, and celestite. Only the upper member, the Raisin River dolomite, is exposed in Monroe County. It is composed of gray, fine grained argillaceous dolomite and subordinate amounts of öolite. The dolomites are generally thin bedded, in places bituminous and more or less shattered and brecciated. There are several oolitic beds, each being underlain by a peculiar bed of fine grained, blotched, mottled, and streaked dolomite. The markings are of a distinct bluish cast, but where weathered they are rusty brown, indicative of the presence of iron. The more massive blue portions near the bottom of this bed are very shaly.

The brecciation of the Monroe dolomite is a very general characteristic. The most conspicuous occurrences are in St. Ignace peninsula, on Mackinac Island, and in the vicinity of Monroe, Monroe County. Brecciated horizons have been struck in many wells penetrating the Monroe in different parts of the state.

The brecciation is of two types.\* The first is a complete shattering of the formation, producing a breccia,, the fragments of which are firmly held in a matrix of finer materials completely cemented. The second is more local and affects individual beds only. The blocks in this type are locally more or less disturbed but only slightly displaced, where in the first type the breccia is

composed of a mixture of fragments of several different beds showing considerable displacement.

The cause of the brecciation is a mooted question. Lane\*\* ascribes the regional type to the inrush of great tides across shallow flats, but Grabau† argues that it represents the talus breccia produced on an extensive land surface of post Monroe time and that this talus was incorporated into the lower Onondaga on the resubmergence of this region by the sea, or that it was produced by solar fluxion. The local brecciation is apparently due to buckling produced by some expansional force such as might arise when anhydrite by chemically combining with water is transformed into gypsum.

The Raisin River dolomite is exposed at many places in eastern Monroe County, particularly in the vicinity of the river from which the member takes its name. In the early days the stone was extensively burned for lime but owing to its argillaceous character, the exhaustion of suitable fuel, and competition of limes of better quality, the industry in this region ceased many years ago. Many small quarries were formerly operated, supplying Detroit with crushed stone chiefly for concrete and macadam, but now only two or three quarries are in operation. The stone is too impure and highly magnesian for chemical purposes and the argillaceous content or its brecciated character makes it locally unfit even for concrete, macadam or ballast.

\*W. H. Sherzer and A. W. Grabau. The Monroe Formation, Pub. 2, Geol Ser. 1, Mich. Geol. and Biol. Surv. 1909, p. 29.

\*\*A. C. Lane, Vol. V, Mich. Geol. Survey 1895, pt. 2, p. 27.

†A. W. Grabau. The Monroe Formation, Pub. 2, Geol. Ser. 1, Mich. Geol. and Biol. Surv. 1909, p. 29.

Upper Monroe or Detroit River series. The Upper Monroe or Detroit River series is exposed along Detroit River and at several places in the western part of Monroe County.

The Flat Rock, Amherstburg, and Lucas members are high magnesian limestones or dolomites, but the Anderdon is a very pure high calcium limestone. The dolomites are gray to brown, argillaceous or bituminous, and locally brecciated. Formerly several quarries were operated in the Upper Monroe dolomites, but during the past few years only two or three have been in operation and these but intermittently. The argillaceous and highly magnesian character of much of the stone makes it unsuitable for most purposes. The Anderdon limestone is exposed in the Anderdon quarry on the Ontario side of Detroit River and also in the lower part of Sibley quarry where, due to erosion of the Lucas and Amherstburg dolomites, it directly underlies the Dundee and is quarried with it. The Anderdon is present only in patches, having been largely removed by erosion.

In places the Anderdon limestone is practically pure calcium carbonate and its generally low content of magnesium carbonate makes it particularly suitable for chemical purposes.

In the St. Ignace peninsula and adjacent islands the Monroe formation is characterized by much brecciation and contains beds of gypsum. The argillaceous and magnesian character of the breccias and their tendency to disintegrate under weathering, make them valueless. Formerly they were utilized locally for burning lime.

Dundee (Onondaga) limestone. The Dundee limestone is a widespread formation and underlies nearly all of the Southern Peninsula, but it comes to the surface only in a narrow belt in the southeastern part of the Peninsula and along the shore of Lake Huron from Mackinac City, Cheboygan County, to Presque Isle, Presque Isle County. Its outcrop elsewhere is buried under surface deposits or lies beneath the waters of Lake Michigan and Lake Huron.

The Dundee is chiefly high calcium limestone with some magnesian beds near the base of the formation where it rests directly on the Monroe dolomites. It is generally gray to buff or brown, crystalline, bituminous, and locally very fossiliferous. Locally some of the beds average over 98 per cent of calcium carbonate. Its purity and freedom from magnesia renders the Dundee limestone especially valuable for chemical purposes, soda ash products, flux, carbide, etc. It is quarried very extensively near Detroit and Rogers City. The bituminous content renders much of the stone unsuitable for lime burning.

The Dundee formation averages about 100 feet thick in the southeastern portion of the Southern Peninsula and over 200 feet in the northern part. In the central part where penetrated by borings it is over 250 feet thick, but on the western side of the state it is very thin and in places, as at Muskegon, perhaps absent.

Though the areal extent of the exposures of the Dundee is small in comparison with most of the other limestone formations, it is one of the most economically important and furnishes nearly half of the annual output of limestone.

Traverse (Hamilton and Marcellus) formation. The Traverse formation is widely exposed throughout a curving belt extending from Little Traverse Bay, Lake Michigan, to Thunder Bay, Lake Huron. Southwest from Little Traverse Bay to Benzie County the formation is generally deeply drift covered. It occupies a narrow belt in southeastern Michigan but it is not exposed there. Generally speaking, it is a series of limestones and shales with a heavy shale (Bell or Marcellus) at the base. In the southern part of the state the formation is dominantly shale. In the Alpena district, however, limestone is dominant and in the Little Traverse Bay region the formation is almost wholly limestone. containing only a few relatively thin beds of shale, excepting the Bell shale at the base. The limestone varies greatly in color, texture, and composition. The color varies from pure white to gray, buff, brown, and black, and the texture from very fine grained or lithographic to coarsely crystalline. Some of the strata are very thin bedded, others massive. In general the

iointing is very regular. The formation as a whole is richly fossiliferous, many strata being composed of a mass of brachiopods, corals or bryozoans. In the Alpena district large reefs of corals, many of them chiefly of Acervularia, are characteristic. The limestone varies in composition from practically pure calcium carbonate to heavy magnesian limestone or normal dolomite. There are also all gradational phases between limestone and shale. Most of the shale is very calcareous and generally very soft. Under the drill it churns up into a "soapy" mass, hence it is generally reported by drillers as "soapstone." The gray color is generally due to the argillaceous content and the black color to a large amount of bituminous matter. Some of the shaly limestone is also extremely cherty. Along Little Traverse Bay much of the limestone is yellow, buff, or brown, which is due to the oxidation of the iron content. The limestone here is generally much more magnesian than elsewhere.

In the Alpena district the Traverse has been subdivided by Grabau\* into the following members:

- 1. Thunder Bay series.
- 2. Alpena limestone.
- 3. Long Lake series.
- 4. Bell shale.

The Long Lake series is chiefly shale and thin bedded limestone, some of the limestone being very argillaceous. This series forms a belt extending from Stony and Partridge points northwest along Thunder Bay river. Owing to its generally shaly or argillaceous character the series apparently is of little value except for manufacture of cement.

The Alpena limestone is chiefly high calcium limestone and is characterized by the presence of an extensive system of coral reefs. The reefs, being more resistant to erosion than associated strata, form a network of low ridges on the surface in the vicinity of Alpena. The Alpena limestone as a whole is more massive and resistant than the Thunder Bay series above or the Long Lake series below and forms an elevated tract several miles wide extending northwest from the head of Thunder Bay between Long Lake and the North Fork of Thunder Bay river into Presque Isle county. Apparently the elevated tract extending through Metz and Larocque toward Onaway is also due to this hard limestone series. The reef limestone is generally very free from magnesia and impurities. In some places the calcium carbonate averages over 99 per cent. Locally, however, the -reefs have been heavily dolomitized. These areas are known as dolomite or magnesian "chimneys." The beds dip away from the reefs at rather steep angles but at a relatively short distance they become practically horizontal. The beds extending horizontally between the reefs are chiefly high calcium limestone with some magnesian limestone, shale, and shaly chert, and very bituminous limestone. In large quarrying operations the presence of these undesirable beds generally results in a large percentage of waste in the quarry product. At

Alpena the Huron Portland Cement Company utilize this waste product in the manufacture of Portland cement.

According to Grabau\*\* the Alpena Limestone is only 35 feet thick, but in the quarry of the Michigan Alkali Company, Alpena, the high calcium strata and coral reefs have been quarried to the depth of 80 feet or more. Several drill holes northwest of Alpena also show that the thickness of the high calcium strata is much greater than that given by Grabau. Since by definition the name refers to the "Middle Limestone" lying between the shales and limestones of the Thunder Bay series above and of the Long Lake series below, the term should include the entire limestone series exposed in the Michigan Alkali quarry down to the argillaceous limestone beneath. This would give a thickness of about 80 feet for the Alpena or "Middle" limestone. Due to its generally high calcium content and its numerous exposures the Alpena limestone is of much more economic importance than the other members of the Traverse formation in northeastern Michigan. The many large exposures with favorable quarrying conditions form an immense reserve of high calcium limestone. Only those in the vicinity of Alpena near cheap water transportation have been developed successfully.

In the Little Traverse Bay region exposures are largely confined to a double line of bluffs along the south shore of the bay. The first line of bluffs is close to the shore and varies in height from 10 to 40 feet or more. The second line is generally from a few hundred feet to a half mile from the shore and varies from a few feet to about 50 feet in height.

Quarrying operations and well borings show that in this region the Traverse formation is almost wholly limestone down to depths of 350 to 475 feet. An upper bed of shale 6 to 10 feet thick has been encountered in some of the guarries and another bed has been struck in wells at about 250 feet. Thin partings of shale from a fraction of an inch up to 6 inches, however, are characteristic of much of the limestone exposed in the quarries. Thus the formation changes from an alternating series of limestone and shale in the Alpena district to almost solid limestone in the Little Traverse Bay region. As exposed along the shore of the bay the series consists of an upper, yellow to brown, friable, high calcium limestone 15 feet or more thick, a middle, yellow to brown, friable and more or less completely dolomitized limestone about 40 feet thick, and a lower, gray, dense grained or lithographic to crystalline, high calcium limestone, apparently more than 40 feet thick.

The Traverse formation is widely exposed in Presque Isle county and exposures are also numerous in the central portion of Cheboygan county. The limestone is generally high calcium though there are some highly magnesian beds. Many of the strata are shaly, bituminous, and fossiliferous. The texture varies from dense grained or lithographic to very crystalline. The subdivisions of the Traverse easily recognizable in the Alpena district do not appear to be clearly defined in Cheboygan county and the western part of Presque Isle

county. Apparently these limestones represent the transition from the limestones and shales of the Alpena district to the solid 4 limestone of the Little Traverse Bay region.

In the northern and central parts of the state the Traverse averages from 600 to 650 feet thick, including 50 to 80 feet of shale at the base. Along St. Clair River it is only about 300 feet thick and in the extreme southern and southwestern portions of the state it is generally less than 100 feet thick.

The Traverse probably contains a larger amount of high calcium limestone than any of the other formations within the state and, owing to the number of and extent of its exposures, it also contains a larger amount of available high calcium limestone. Unfortunately the exposures are all in the northern part of the state and largely inland. Only in the vicinity of Thunder and Little Traverse bays are deposits of the higher grade limestone near cheap water transportation. Moreover, the limestone contains interbedded shales or shaly limestones and magnesian strata, which make development difficult and uncertain. Notwithstanding these unfavorable factors the Traverse formation is second only to the Dundee in economic importance and the inland deposits of high calcium stone form an enormous reserve for future use.

\*A. W. Grabau. The Stratigraphy of the Traverse Formation, Ann. Rept. 1901, Mich. Geol. Surv., pp. 163-196.

\*\*A. W. Grabau, Ann. Rept. 1901, Mich. Geol. Surv., p. 174.

Bayport (Maxville) limestone. The Bayport limestone is the upper member of the Grand Rapids group of the Mississippian system. It underlies a belt around the central Coal Basin excepting on the southeast where it has been largely removed by erosion. The chief areas of exposures are in the vicinity of Bayport in Huron county, in Arenac County, and near Bellevue, Eaton county. In Jackson county the Bayport limestone forms a capping on many of the pre-Coal Measure hills.

The formation consists of white to light gray and bluish limestone, locally very cherty and sandy, very calcareous sandstone and pure sandstone. The limestone varies from high calcium to high magnesian. Owing to its cherty or sandy character much of the limestone is suitable only for concrete or road metal. The high calcium beds are thin and only locally are sufficiently thick and pure to warrant development. At Bellevue, Eaton county, a high calcium bed from 12 to 15 feet thick, is utilized with the underlying shale for the manufacture of Portland cement.

# CHAPTER V. DISTRIBUTION, CHARACTER, AND DEVELOPMENT OF LIMESTONE DEPOSITS BY COUNTIES.

#### PRE-CAMBRIAN LIMESTONES.

#### Dickinson County.

Distribution. The Menominee Iron District of Michigan extends across the southern portion of Dickinson county. The Randville dolomite (Fig. 4) forms three distinct\* belts roughly parallel with the longer axis of the district. The northern belt extends from section 11, T. 40 N., R. 30 W., southeast into section 10, T. 39 N., R. 28 W., where it is buried under Cambrian sandstone,—a distance of about 12 miles. The dolomite is exposed at only a few places. The middle belt begins just north of Lake Antoine in section 20, T. 40 N., R. 30 W., and extends east-southeast between Indiana and Cuff mines to Iron Hill in section 33, T. 40 N., R. 29 W., a distance of nearly seven miles. The exposures in this belt are large and very numerous. The southern v belt extends from the Menominee River to Waucedah, at the east end of the district,—a distance of over eighteen miles. From Menominee River east to Sturgeon River the dolomite forms a range of high hills broken only at a few points. The tops of the higher hills are capped with Cambrian sandstone. Some of the exposures in the belt are very large. East of Waucedah the Randville dolomite is covered by Paleozoic rocks.

The Felch Mountain range† (fig. 3) is a belt, usually less than a mile wide, which extends in an E-W direction through the southern portion of T. 42 N., Rs. 28, 29, and 30 west, a distance of over 13 miles. The Randville dolomite underlies a large part of the range. The formation is well exposed in the vicinity of Randville, from which it takes its name and also in the vicinity of Felch Mountain.

In section 26, T. 42 N., R. 28 W., at the extreme eastern end of the range, the Northern Michigan Marble Company made an unsuccessful attempt to quarry marble. The Commissioner of Mineral Statistics of Michigan describes the deposit as follows: "Some of it is pure white, some variegated, shading from white to pink, green, gray, and purple, making beautiful slabs for wainscoting and interior work. It is somewhat granitic in nature; sufficiently so that the tests given foreign and New England marbles will not tarnish the highest polish. It is susceptible of a polish almost equal to onyx."

The Sturgeon River district\*\* (fig. 3) occupies the western portion of T. 42 N., R. 27 W., and the central and northern portions of T. 42 N., Rs. 28, 29, and 30 W. The area of Randville dolomite occurs on the opposite limbs of a syncline which pitches to the northwest. The north arm extends from the western part of section 2, T. 42 N., R. 28 W., northwest into sec. 23, T. 43 N., R. 29 W., a distance of over six miles. The south arm extends slightly south of west into sections 9 and 16, T. 42 N., R. 30 W., a distance of over 14 miles. Exposures are few

in number and both limbs of this fold disappear beneath a thick drift cover.

\*C. R. VanHise and C. K. Leith. Geology of the Lake Superior Region. Mon. LII, Geol. Surv. 1911, pp. 333-334.

†Mon. LII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1911, p. 302; also H. L. Smyth, The Felch Mountain Range Mon. 36, U. S. Geol. Surv., 1899, pp. 374-426.

\*\*Mon. LII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1911, p. 300.

Character. The Randville formation is dominantly dolomite but contains a variety of other beds, including quartzite, slate, cherty quartz rocks, and corresponding gradational phases. The Randville grades downward into the underlying Sturgeon River quartzite. It is also cut by veins of quartz.

The dominant phase of the Randville dolomite is massive, homogeneous, fine grained, white, pink, blue, and buff dolomite, but even the purest beds contain interstratified siliceous quartzite and vein quartz. The abundance of vein quartz indicates extensive fracturing and crushing, followed by cementation resulting in many places in a breccia of dolomite fragments with a siliceous matrix. Owing to its generally siliceous and argillaceous character the dolomite is unsuitable for most purposes excepting crushed stone and building stone.

Locally the dolomite has been more or less completely altered to marble and attempts have been made to exploit it for this purpose but apparently the impurities and the unfavorable jointing renders it unsatisfactory.

An analysis by Geo. Steiger† of the ferruginous phase of the Randville dolomite from Hamburg Hill in Dickinson County is given below:

Analysis of Randville dolomite.

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Fe <sub>i</sub> O <sub>1</sub>	.35
FeQ	3.37
CaO	15.11
Mg0	
Na <sub>2</sub> O	.12
KrQ	2,40
H <sub>2</sub> O =	
N <sub>2</sub> O +	1.01
Ti0:	28.22
COs	20.22
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	.03

The following test made by the Office of Public Roads, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., shows that it is considerably harder than the average limestone but lower in toughness and cementing value:

Locality.	Weight lbs. per cu. ft.	Absorp- tion lbs. per eu, ft.	Per cent of wear.	French coeffi- cient of wear.	Hard- ness.	Tough- ness.	Cement- ing value.
Iron Mountain	178	0.40	4.06	8.6	19	8	25

†Bull. 591, U. S. Geol. Surv. Analysis of Rocks and Minerals from the Laboratory of the U. S. Geol. Surv. 1880 to 1914, p. 236.

# Gogebic County.

Distribution. The Gogebic Iron Range extends from the Wisconsin line eastward to Gogebic Lake. The Bad River limestone\* (fig. 6) is present only in a narrow belt from the northeastern corner of section 15, T. 47 N., R. 45 W., about one mile east of Sunday Lake, E-SE to

section 22, T. 47 N., R. 44 W., a distance of about six miles.

Character. The Bad River limestone is heavily magnesian and locally approaches normal dolomite. It contains impurities in the form of silicate minerals such as tremolite, chlorite, and sericite, and free silica, in the form of quartz and chert. The free silica is partly intermingled with the dolomite and partly occurs in bands varying in thickness from a fraction of an inch up to many feet. The siliceous bands stand out in relief on weathered surfaces. The entire formation has been metamorphosed and thoroughly recrystallized. The texture ranges from fine† to coarse, and the color, from white to gray. The dolomite has no present industrial value. The following analysis by W. F. Hildebrand of the U. S. Geological Survey shows the siliceous and heavy magnesian character of the limestone.

Analysis of Bad River Limestone.

Analysis No.	Location.	SiOz.	Fe <sub>f</sub> O <sub>2</sub> .	FeO.	CaCOs.	CaO.	MgCOs.
2	Sunday Lake S. E. ‡, Sec. 18, T. 47 N., R. 44 W	3.07	.09	.86		29.72	
Analysis No.	Location.	MgO.	H <sub>2</sub> O.	00	h	cı.	Total.
2	Sunday Lake, S. E. ‡, Sec. 18, T. 47 N., R. 44 W	19.95	.30	4.5	.31	trace	99.45

\*C. R. VanHise and C. K. Leith. Geology of the Lake Superior District, Mon. LII, U. S. Geol. Stirv. 1911, p. 228.

†R. D. Irving and C. R. VanHise. The Penokee Iron Bearing Series of Michigan and Wisconsin, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1892, p. 130.

# Iron County.

*Distribution.* In the Iron River Iron District the limestone formation, is known as the Saunders formation and in the Crystal Falls Iron District, the Randville dolomite.

In the Iron River District the Saunders formation\* (fig. 5) occurs in a belt of varying width across the southern part of the district in a general direction a little north of west. It is well exposed at Sheridan Hill in sec. 20, T. 42 N., R. 35 W. and vicinity. The belt owes its altitude to the more resistant character of the Saunders formation.

Character. Cherty dolomite is dominant but the formation also includes beds of massive white and pink dolomite, quartzose dolomite, impure carbonate slates, quartzites, and talcose slates. The rock is exceedingly brecciated in the vicinity of Sheridan Hill and crushed and fractured cherty fragments are imbedded in the greatest confusion in secondary infiltrated silica and carbonate, silica being dominant. In the Saunders ridge masses of almost pure quartz are associated with pure massive white dolomite and banded chert and cherty dolomite. Due to their more resistant character, the chert bands stand out prominently on weathered surfaces and give a ribbed appearance to the rock. Every gradation from dolomite to pure silica may be

observed but generally when the chert content becomes important it shows a tendency to segregate from the dolomite in bands.

Analysis No. 3 by Prof. A. C. Clark of the Michigan Agricultural College is of the purer phase of the dolomite and No. 4 is of a typical specimen from the ferruginous dolomitic slate phase.

Analyses of Saunders Dolomite.

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\*R. C. Allen, The Iron River District. Monograph LII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1911, p 310; also Publication 3, Geol. Ser. 2, Michigan Geol. Surv. 1910, The Iron River Iron Bearing District of Michigan, pp. 36-44.

Distribution. In the Crystal Falls district the Randville dolomite (fig. 2) completely surrounds a large oval or dome like anticline of Archean rocks northeast of the city of Crystal Falls. The longer diameter of the oval has a general N-NW direction. The formation is exposed on the east side of this fold in the vicinity of Michigamme Mountain, sec. 10, T. 43 N., R. 31 W., and northwest into sec. 19, T. 46 N., R. 32 W., a distance of nearly 18 miles. On the west side of the fold the dolomite is not well exposed. On the east the belt is about, a half mile wide and the thickness of the dolomite is about 1500 feet.

Character. The formation ranges from coarse "sugary" marbles, in places very pure, but usually filled with secondary silicate minerals, to fine grained, little altered limestones, which locally grade into dolomitic sandstones and shales. The usual colors are white but various shades of pink, light and deep blue, and pale green are not uncommon. Some of the varieties are oolitic.

Analyses No. 5, 6, and 7, by R. J. Forsyth, are of Randville dolomite from the Michigamme Mountain region. Nos. 8, 9, and 10, by G. B. Richardson are of samples from localities unknown. No. 8 represents the pure dolomite, Nos. 5 and 6 the slaty phases, and No. 10 siliceous dolomite.

Analyses of Randville dolomite.

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Insoluble in HCl Fe.Os	14.25 11.15 47.18 18.48	9.34 12.57 45.98 19.22	5.38 36.60 16.36	2.0 1,2 53.2 42.3	9.7 2.1 48.9 38.0	29.1 $2.1$ $39.3$ $27.7$
Total				98.7	98.7	98.3

This formation is suitable only for road metal and ballast.

#### Marquette County.

Distribution. The Kona dolomite\* of the Marquette Iron District takes its name from the Kona hills east of Goose Lake. It forms a westward facing U (fig. 1) in the eastern part of the district with the northern arm ending near Teal Lake and the southern arm on the south side of Goose Lake. The northern very narrow arm extends from Mt. Mesnard, in section 35, T. 48 N., R. 25 W., about three miles south of the city of Marquette nearly due west for a distance of about 10 miles. The southern arm, due to transverse folding, is much wider and very irregular in outline and extends southwest to the foot of Wewe hills, a distance of over seven miles. The exposures are usually in the form of sharp and abrupt cliffs, cut by ravines and drift filled valleys, and are abundant in the vicinity of Kona Hills in sections 15, 17, 23, T, 47 N., R. 25 W.

\*C. R. VanHise and C. K. Leith. The Marquette Iron District, Mon. LII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1911, p. 258; also C. R. VanHise, The Marquette Iron Bearing District, Mon. XXVIII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1897, p. 240-256.

Character. The formation is cherty dolomite containing inter-stratified layers of slate, graywacke, and quartzite, and gradational phases between the various mechanical sediments and the pure dolomite. The dolomite beds vary in thickness from a few inches to many feet thick and locally form only a third to a half of the formation. The purest of the dolomite beds contain thin cherty layers mingled with mechanical sediments. The texture of the dolomite varies from very dense grained to very coarsely crystalline, approaching marble. The color varies from nearly pure white to pink and red or dark brown. The layers of siliceous and argillaceous material also show a wide variation in color, hence the rock ledges differ greatly in appearance.

The dolomite has been greatly fractured and brecciated, though in most cases the fracturing is so minute as not to be recognizable except under the microscope. The brecciation in the layers of quartz, slate, and graywacke is much coarser. After brecciation the fragments were cemented together by coarsely crystalline quartz or dolomite, or both together. The bands and fragments of siliceous material stand out as ridges or nodules on weathered surfaces giving a very rough and jagged appearance.

Composition. The purer phases of the rock are heavily magnesian, generally approaching normal dolomite. The abundance of siliceous, argillaceous, and ferruginous impurities renders it of little value except for road metal, ballast, and rough building stone.

Trap rock, owing to its superior hardness, toughness, and high cementing value makes the best known road material. Because of its fire resisting qualities, it is also much superior to limestone as an. aggregate in concrete mixtures. Marquette county has an abundance of trap rock, hence the beds of dolomite probably will never be of much economic value as a source of crushed stone.

Numerous projects have been started for developing the marble-like phases of the Kona and Randville dolomites, but thus far nothing has come of them. The vari-colored crystalline portions when polished are said to be very beautiful, but it is probable that the impurities would result in a large amount of waste in quarrying. Moreover, many of the layers of argillaceous and siliceous material are schistose or slaty, thus tending to produce parting planes. For these reasons it is doubtful that the pre-Cambrian dolomites are susceptible of development for marble or building stone.

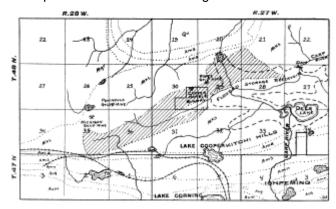


Figure 10. Map showing the distribution of the peridotites northwest of Ishpeming, Marquette county. (After Van Hise, Bayley and Smyth, Monograph 28, U. S. Geological Survey).

Verde antique marble. There are, however, in Marquette county certain peridotite rocks,\* composed chiefly of olivine, now largely altered to serpentine and dolomite, to which the name verde antique marble has been applied. Northwest of Ishpeming a belt of altered peridotite (fig. 10) about 4½ miles in length extends from the southern part of sec. 21, T. 48 N., R. 27 W., southwest into the southeastern part of sec. 35, T. 48 N., R. 28 W. There are a number of separate exposures, the larger ones being from 1 to 3 miles long.

In some places the rock is almost wholly dolomite, in others it is a calcareous or dolomitic serpentine. The serpentine phase predominates. The dolomite generally occurs as veins cutting the serpentine and in ill-defined bands bordering cracks and joint planes. The serpentine varies in color from light to dark green with shades of olive but the dolomite is generally white. The rock takes a high polish and the intricate veining of dolomite produces very beautiful effects.

The rock is said to be very massive and the numerous cliffs and knob-like exposures afford very favorable quarrying conditions. The Michigan Verde Antique Company, Ishpeming, Michigan, is opening a quarry in sec. 30, T. 48 N., R. 27 W., about five miles northwest of Ishpeming. Polished slabs of stone from this quarry are beautifully veined and colored, equal or superior in polish or coloration to much of the verde antique marble now on the market.

Analyses Nos. 15 to 17, made by Whitney\*\* in 1859, are partial analyses of serpentine from Presque Isle and No. 18 of peridotite† from the vicinity of Opin Lake, 1220

paces north, 500 paces west of the southeast corner, section 27, T. 48 N., R. 27 W.

Analyses of Serpentine and Peridotite.

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- \*\*J. D. Whitney, Notice of new localities and interesting varieties of minerals in the Lake Superior region, Am. Jour. Sci., Vol. XXVIII, 1859, p. 18.
- †C R VanHise. The Marquette Iron Bearing District, Mon. XXVIII, U. S. Geol. Surv. 1897, p. 186.

# PALEOZOIC LIMESTONES.

# Alger County.

Distribution and Character. The Beekmantown (Calciferous) sandstone forms a sinuous belt across the central portion of Alger county from the southwest to the northeast. It is well exposed in the vicinity of Chatham, Alger county, especially along the upper course of Au Train River. It is also exposed south of Munising. Analyses Nos. 19 to 23 show that locally it is a very sandy dolomite. In places the sand content is low and quite possibly in some places it is sufficiently pure for use as a basic lining of furnaces. The stone is sufficiently massive and durable for use as building stone, but its distance from markets and the abundance of other stone equally suitable for building purposes nearer good markets make it of no present importance for such purposes.

#### Alpena County.

Distribution. The Traverse\* formation (figs. 9 and 11) occupies the northeastern half of Alpena county and the Antrim shale, the slightly smaller southwestern half. Rock is at or near the surface over most of the northeastern half except near the western margin. The Long Lake, or Lower Traverse series, the Alpena, or "Middle" limestone, and the Thunder Bay or Upper Traverse series form three roughly parallel belts extending in a general northwest-southeast direction across the eastern half of the county. The limestones and shales of the Long Lake series cross the northeastern corner from the vicinity of Misery or Little Thunder Bay into Presque Isle county and they can be definitely traced as far northwest as Rogers City and Black Lake. The Alpena series forms a belt between 4 and 5 miles wide extending from North Point, Thunder Bay peninsula, into Presque Isle county and across the central part of Presque Isle county in the vicinity of Onaway into the central portion of Cheboygan county.

The Upper Traverse shales and limestones occupy the southwestern belt, apparently 6 miles or more in width, which extends from Partridge Point northwest into Presque Isle county.

\*See previous chapter for general description of the formation.

Long Lake Series. The Long Lake group consists of alternating beds of limestone and shale. Most of the limestone is more or less argillaceous, and some of it is more nearly shale than limestone.

The shale is generally very calcareous and almost every variety of rock from pure limestone to pure shale may be found. Many of the beds of limestone are also very bituminous and fossiliferous. Most of the black limestones are locally extremely fossiliferous. The most notable of these fossiliferous beds occurs at the base of the series and lies directly over the Bell shale. At Rockport (see Rockport quarry) this bed is 25 to 30 feet thick.

Some of the limestones are very massive and resistant to erosion and give rise to roughly parallel lines of prominent escarpments facing northeast with long gentle slopes on the southwest.

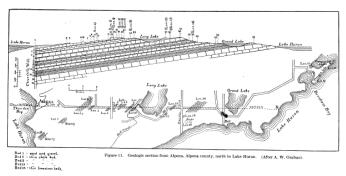


Figure 11. Geologic section from Alpena, Alpena county, north to Lake Huron. (After A. W. Grabau).

The shales and more argillaceous and thin bedded limestones occupy the valleys between the lines of escarpments. The bottoms of some of the valleys are occupied by lakes and swamps. The numerous escarpments afford very favorable opportunities for quarrying but unfortunately the argillaceous character of much of the limestone and the occurrence of seams and beds of shale make most of the beds of little economic value. It is possible, however, that some of the argillaceous limestones may be found suitable for the manufacture of natural cement.

The Alpena Portland Cement Co. obtained their supply of shale from an exposure in section 18, T. 32 N., R. 9 E. Several shale beds from a few inches to 18 feet thick and considerable argillaceous limestone was struck in test holes in the western part of sections 20, 30, 31, and 32 of the same township. Shale and argillaceous limestone was also encountered in test holes just across the line in southeastern Presque Isle County. Very argillaceous limestones are exposed at Beck's Mill at the falls of Hell Creek in section 23, T. 32 N., R. 8 E., and along the highways to the south and east of Long Lake,

on Thunder Bay Island, at El Cajon Beach (sec. 10, T. 31 N., R. 9 E.), and Misery or Little Thunder Bay, and at many other places. It must not be inferred, however, that none of the exposures contain pure limestone. On the contrary in many of the exposures there are massive beds of high calcium limestone under very favorable conditions for quarrying, but the relatively thin sections of marketable limestone in most of these exposures do not permit of quarrying operations on a large scale. There are numerous deposits of pure limestone sufficiently large to supply the needs of lime burners or the local demands for crushed stone, etc. The day of the small operator and crude methods, however, is past and it is only under favorable local conditions that small operators can compete with the many limestone products companies now operating on a large scale with the most efficient methods and equipment.

#### Quarries and Localities.

Rockport. At Rockport, the Great Lakes Stone & Lime Company have recently opened a large quarry in the thick, massive and extremely fossiliferous bed at the base of the Long Lake series. The bed is from 25 to 30 feet or even more thick and forms an almost continuous bluff extending from the north line of section 6, T. 32 N., R. 9 E., southeast along the shore of Lake Huron for more than a mile. The bed rests directly on the soft blue Bell shale, the bench between the lake and the bluff being formed largely of the shale. From the top of the bluff the surface rises gently to the west for about a third of a mile where there is a second terrace. Farther inland there are other terraces. These upper terraces are composed of higher lying beds of the Long Lake series and undoubtedly include beds of shale and argillaceous limestone.

The Rockport Limestone is essentially stromatopora, coral, etc., with a matrix of dark or black crystalline and very bituminous limestone. The stone contains from about 94 to nearly 98 per cent of calcium carbonate. Analyses Nos. 24 to 29 show the general character of the stone. It is said to be especially well adapted for flux. Owing to its very bituminous character, however, it does not burn well. The bituminous pieces are apt to have a dark carbonaceous core but the white masses of stromatopora, coral, etc., burn well and make excellent chemical lime.

A natural escarpment parallel to the lake shore and relatively thin overburden afford exceptional advantages for development. Due to the presence of a transverse drift filled ravine the quarry face has been developed only along the northern portion of the bluff. Later it is planned to extend the workings to the southeast beyond the ravine. A harbor has been dredged, docks erected, and a modern crushing plant has just been completed with a rated capacity of over 1000 tons per hour.

The floor of the quarry is formed of the soft blue shales of the Bell member. At the top of this there is a thin, very fossiliferous bed. Below this the shale is apparently non-fossiliferous and homogeneous and probably will be

found suitable for various brick and tile products. With the progress of quarrying operations a large supply of shale will become available under exceptionally favorable guarrying conditions.

El Cajon Beach. At El Cajon Beach (sec. 10, T. 37 N., R. 9 E.) dark argillaceous limestones form a prominent flat topped bluff along the Lake Huron shore 40 to 50 feet above the water. There is practically no overburden on the top of the bluff, which faces a beautiful bay about a half mile wide. The bay is almost land locked by a barrier beach. About 15 years ago the El Cajon Portland Cement Company planned to build a plant for the manufacture of cement from the argillaceous limestones. A quarry was opened and hydraulic lime or cement was burned for making the foundations of a large plant. The company failed and the project was abandoned. The foundations are now crumbling to decay.

The favorable quarrying conditions here and a good harbor afford exceptional advantages for development.

The lower beds are covered with talus from the bluff. The visible beds are dark and argillaceous, containing over 6 per cent of alumina and iron and nearly 33 per cent of silica. The magnesia, however, is low. Analysis No. 42 was made from a composite sample and shows the argillaceous character of the beds.

Misery (Little Thunder) Bay. At the head of this inlet there is a large sink hole known as the "bottomless hole," from which strong springs arise. The western wall of this sink is a vertical cliff composed of thin bedded limestones separated by shale partings. Large masses are continually breaking off and falling into the bay. At present there is a large crevice from a few feet to 10 feet wide extending roughly parallel to and at a short distance from the shore for several hundred yards. In this crevice alternating beds of pure limestone and argillaceous limestone, typical of the Long Lake series, are exposed. Were the stone of commercial grade the favorable quarrying conditions and the deep natural harbor would invite development.

Exposures of the Long Lake series are very numerous throughout much of the belt and are characteristically shaly and argillaceous. Analysis 90 is of a compact gray limestone\* near the top of the series, exposed on the Long Lake road along the east line of sec. 27, T. 31 N., R. 8 E.

So far as known the Rockport limestone at the base of the series is the thickest bed, free from shale and argillaceous matter. It is probable that exposures of this bed in Alpena county are confined to the vicinity of Rockport. Northwest in Presque Isle county the bed apparently comes to the surface some distance west of Grand Lake.

\*A. W. Grabau. Stratigraphy of the Traverse formation, Ann. Rept. 1901, Mich. Geol. Surv., p. 179.

Alpena Limestone. The Alpena limestone is a group of very massively bedded gray and buff crystalline high calcium strata characterized in the Alpena region by

reefs of white coral. The group includes some interbedded shale and shaly limestone, locally very cherty and bituminous. Some of the upper beds contain more or less magnesia and locally the reef limestone contains magnesian or dolomite "chimneys."

Michigan Alkali Company quarry. The Alpena limestone is best exposed in the vicinity of Alpena, particularly in the large quarry (Pl. II A) of the Michigan Alkali Company in the eastern part of the city. This quarry consists of a roughly circular opening, the area of which is said to be between 60 and 70 acres. Quarrying is conducted on two levels. The face on the upper level varies from about 40 to nearly 50 feet. The lower level was just being developed in 1914 and the working face was then only about 30 feet and wholly below lake level. A sump, however, had been excavated below the floor of the lower quarry so that the height of the exposure was between 80 and 90 feet. The great size and depth of the quarry affords exceptional opportunity for study of the reefs and intervening beds. The reefs are mounds and ridges of very white coral limestone. Some of the mounds are more or less connected, others are isolated. More commonly they are united and form more or less continuous and anastomosing system of ridges. The mounds and ridges can be traced for considerable distances in the vicinity of Alpena.

The beds dip away from the reefs at rather steep angles but at short distances they flatten out and become nearly horizontal. Many of the beds are continuous from one reef to the next. The fossil materials of the reefs interfinger with the beds and locally masses of reef material occur between the beds at some distance from the parent reef.

The following is a section of the southeastern side of the upper quarry midway between two coral reefs and represents only the massive crystalline and less fossiliferous beds:

Section in	Upper	Quarry.
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No. of Bed.		Thickness, ft.	Depth, ft.
1.	Hard buff crystalline limestone	4+	4+
2.	\langle MgCO <sub>2</sub> 8.31% \\ Anal. No. 30. \\\ Grayish buff crystalline limestone	2	6
3.	CaCO 90.43% MgCO, 8.31% Anal. No. 30.  Hard grayish buff crystalline limestone with some bituminous streaks.  CaCO 94.54%	9	15
4. 5.	\[ \begin{align*} \left\{ \text{MgCO}_2 \ 2.61 \\ \text{Anal. No. 31} \\ \text{Dark gray crystalline limestone} \]  \[ \text{CaCO}_1 \ \ \text{22.88\%} \\ \text{SiO}_1 \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	2 4	17 21
6.	Shaly, fossiliferous, and cherty limestons. Much soft shale.	3+	24 27
7.	Light buff crystalline limestone.  CaCO <sub>2</sub> 95.58%  Anal. No. 33.		21
8.	Dark gray crystalline limestone with shaly streaks and chert nodules	4 2 6+	31 33
9. 10.	Buff crystalline limestone. Grayish buff crystalline limestone similar to No. 2 CaCO: 94.78% Anal. No. 34.	6+	39 +

The following is a continuation of the section in the lower quarry. There is a gap between the two sections of 6 to 10 feet.

No. of Bed.		Thickness, ft.	Depth, ft.
11.	Missing.  Dark crystalline and crinoidal limestone (Dark bituminous limestone with interbedded coral)	10+	49 52
11. 12.		7	59
13. 14.	Dark gray massive limestone with scattered heads of coral.  Crystalline limestone, with stylolitic structure.  (CaCOs. 96.40%)	8 5	67 72
15. 16.	Anal. No. 35.   Dark fine grained bituminous limestone. Argillaceous (?) limestone or limestone of inferior quality.	4	76

The reefs vary from about 50 to nearly 100 feet wide, though measured from the extremities of some of the interfingering masses of coral which extend outward from the reefs the width is much greater.

The reef rock is generally very pure, in places, containing over 99 per cent of calcium carbonate. (Anal. No. 49). Locally there are heavily magnesian areas in the reefs, called magnesian or dolomite "chimneys." Generally the stone in such areas is more or less stained yellow by iron and is extremely porous or sponge-like. Owing to its extreme porosity the magnesian stone is in great demand by paper manufacturers using the sulphite method.

The composition of the beds between the reefs varies vertically from bed to bed and horizontally in the individual beds. The upper beds in the Michigan Alkali quarry contain considerable percentages of magnesia (Anal. No. 30) and some of the middle ones are very siliceous or argillaceous. The interbedded shale and argillaceous limestone ordinarily would result in much waste material but this, together with the "fines" or limestone screenings is utilized for the manufacture of Portland cement by the Huron Portland Cement Company, whose plant is located on Thunder Bay a short distance from the quarry. Excepting the upper beds, the Alpena limestone is dominantly high calcium. The magnesian stone causes little trouble because in the process of guarrying it is mixed with so much of the exceptionally high calcium stone that its effect is barely noticeable in the quarry product.

Analyses Nos. 30 to 34 show the general character of the crystalline limestones on the southeast side of the upper quarry and No. 35 the limestone in the lower quarry. No analyses were made of the beds of shale and argillaceous and cherty limestone. Analyses Nos. 36 to 41 are of hand specimens from different beds in the quarry.

A large part of the select stone is shipped by boat to Wyandotte and Ford City for the manufacture of soda ash, bleach, caustic, etc. A large amount of stone, including the "fines" or argillaceous screenings is also used in the manufacture of Portland cement. The remainder of the quarry product is disposed of for a variety of purposes.

Alpena Portland Cement quarry. The abandoned plant and quarries of the Alpena Portland Cement Company are near the shore of Thunder Bay about three-fourths of a mile east of the quarry of the Michigan Alkali Company, but at a lower level. On the occasion of the writer's visit the quarries were full of water and only the

upper beds were accessible. Probably these beds are to be correlated with those in the lower quarry of the Michigan Alkali Company. The south face of the quarry is composed of reef limestone and other beds dipping away from it.

The prevailingly high calcium character of the stone is shown by analyses Nos. 43 to 62.

Richard Collins quarry. This is a small quarry operated for lime burning about two miles north of the Michigan Alkali Company's quarry. The opening is in dense, light gray, fragmental reef-limestone, in every way similar to the fragmental portions of reefs in or about the quarries of the Alpena Portland Cement Company and the Michigan Alkali Company. The high quality of the stone is indicated by analyses Nos. 63 to 65.

Owen Fox's quarry. This quarry is located about two miles north and slightly west of the Michigan Alkali Company quarry. The general dip\* of the strata is 4 degrees to the south. In the eastern end the dip increases from 8 to 18 degrees, the steepest dip being in the easternmost portion where the abundance of corals indicate the neighborhood of a reef. On the southwest these beds are overlain by dark shaly limestones and bituminous shales with a rich coral and brachiopod fauna. Analyses Nos. 66 and 69 show the great purity of the unaltered Acervularia and Stromatopora limestone. The upper beds contain only 1.33 per cent of magnesia, but the lower ones 4.20 per cent.

\*A. W, Grabau, The Stratigraphy of the Traverse Formation, Ann. Rept. Mich. Geol. Surv. for 1901, p. 176.

Analysis of Drill Core, Hole No. 38, Alpena. On the East  $\frac{1}{2}$  of section 12, T. 31 N., R. 8 E.

B. H. Taylor, Carnegie Steel Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., 1909.

No.	Depth.	8002.	$Al_2O_3$ .	Fe.	CaCO <sub>b</sub>	CaO.	MgCO <sub>3</sub> .	MgO.	Sul.	Phos.
93 94 95 96 97	6-11 ft 11-16 ft 16-21 ft 21-26 ft 26-31 ft	5.72 3.88 2.90 3.72 1.80	2,97 1,96 1,45 2,30 1,45	.36 .56 .30 .32	87.6 89.4 93.0 90.8 93.6	49.11 50.68 52.11 50.94 52.58	*8.40 2.26 1.36 2.11 1.80	1.15 1.08 .94 1.01	.193 .187 .123 .183 .217	.019 .018 .017 .019
98 99 100 101 102	31-36 ft 36-41 ft 41-46 ft 46-51 ft 51-56 ft	.50 .48 1.28 6.10 1.96	.54 .65 1.07 3.54 1.62	.46 .40 .32 .45 .38	90.0 92.0 94.4 87.6 93.4	50.51 51.55 52.95 49.04 52.34	7.88 6.08 2.24 2.21 3.18	3.74 $2.88$ $1.07$ $1.06$ $1.52$	.143 .207 .250 .385 .188	.005 .006 .019 .041 .020
103 104 105 106 107	56-61 ft 61-66 ft 66-71 ft 71-76 ft 76-81 ft	6.16 4.42 2.36 .58 .34	3.44 4.37 2.81 .90 .50	.57 .36 .35 .24 .23	85.7 86.6 90.0 96.0 97.0	48.13 48.56 50.33 53.86 54.41	8.80 1.98 1.88 1.86 1.80	1.82 .95 .90 .94 .86	.484 .876 .320 .259 .155	.033 .030 .010 .009 .007
	Average Anal	2.81	1.98	. 37	91.2	51.14		1.37	.278	.018
108 109 110 111	81-86 ft 86-91 ft 91-96 ft 96-98; ft	1.58 3.18 12.78 12.28	$\begin{array}{c} .78 \\ 1.91 \\ 7.91 \\ 7.39 \end{array}$	.66 .57 .72 .74	91.8 90.3 73.7 74.8	51.48 $50.51$ $41.30$ $41.91$	4.70 3.43 3.01 3.43	$2.25 \\ 1.64 \\ 1.44 \\ 1.64$	.242 .242 .488 .426	.006 .010 .021 .018

<sup>\*</sup>Figures in italics are calculated from original analyses.

Gilbert Olson's quarry. This is a very small opening in S. E. ¼ S. W. ¼ sec. 18, T. 31 N., R. 9 E., formerly operated for lime burning. The stone is a light gray, dense grained, fragmental reef limestone similar to that in the Collins and Alpena Portland Cement quarries. The exposure forms a low mound adjacent to a swamp. Across the road the surface is much higher and limestone is exposed at many places in the S. W. ¼ sec. 18.

Analysis of Drill Core, Hole No. 1, Alpena.

N. ½ of sec. 13, T. 31 N., R. 8 E.

B. H. Taylor, Carnegie Steel Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., 1909.

No.	Depth.	SiO <sub>2</sub> .	AlıOı.	Fe.	CaCO <sub>2</sub> .	CaO.	MgCO <sub>4</sub> .	MgO.	Sul.	Phos.
112 113 114 115 116	2- 7 ft 7- 12 ft 12- 17 ft 17- 22 ft 22- 27 ft	.42 1.00 2.94 2.68 2.12	.46 .46 1.49 2.27 1.84	.42 .66 .44 .38	96.5 96.2 93.2 93.5 93.5	54.05 53.93 52.24 52.47 52.47	1.84 1.50 1.13 .84 1.96	.88 .72 .54 .40 .94	.015 .075 .091 .067	.020 .022 .013 .014
117 118 119 120 121	27- 32 ft 32- 37 ft 37- 42 ft 42- 47 ft 47- 52 ft	.68 .86 1.66 3.42 3.42	.52 .49 1.87 2.07 2.55	.32 .34 .36 .30	95.7 95.7 94.1 91.3 90.8	53.57 53.57 52.78 51.26 50.95	1.90 1.96 1.73 1.65 1.50	.91 .94 .83 .79 .72	.042 .071 .097 .150 .150	.018 .019 .018 .017
122 123 124 125 126	52- 57 ft 57- 62 ft 62- 67 ft 67- 72 ft 72- 77 ft	2.36 3.12 .84 .76 .94	1.58 1.81 .79 .21 .58	.24 .34 .26 .40 .34	93.5 93.8 94.6 94.4 96.8	52.47 52.49 53.00 52.96 54.24	1.50 1.50 1.50 3.62 1.50	$\begin{array}{c} .72 \\ .72 \\ .72 \\ 1.73 \\ .72 \end{array}$	.110 .158 .150 .116 .116	.017 .015 .020 .012 .008
127 128 129 130 131	77- 82 ft 82- 87 ft 87- 92 ft 92- 97 ft 97-102 ft	2.72 3.74 2.00 1.98 2.28	1.17 2.28 2.29 1.45 1.99	.34 .32 .36 .44 .40	96.8 91.2 93.5 92.0 93.4	54.24 51.03 52.36 51.51 52.29	1.50 1.50 1.50 2.88 1.69	.94 .72 .72 1.38 .81	.166 .232 .197 .280 .333	.005 .040 .022 .025
132 133 134 135 137	102-107 ft 107-112 ft 112-117 ft 117-122 ft 122-125 ft	.44 .36 .68 1.50 .54	.04 .19 .22 1.01 .21	.28 .26 .24 .36 .22	97.6 96.0 96.4 94.0 97.6	54.72 54.36 54.00 52.60 54.72	1.61 1.61 1.71 1.96 1.50	.77 .77 .82 .94 .72	.100 .167 .146 .247 .107	.006 .005 .006 .008
	Average	1.74	1,17	.35	94.4	52.95		.83	.138	.015
138	117-125 ft. Cuttings.	1.54	1,96	.52		52.36		.72	. 240	.016

Other localities. The Alpena limestone is at the surface or under very light cover over large areas north and northeast of Alpena in sections 6, 7, and 18, T. 31 N., R. 9 E., and sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, T. 31 N., R. 8 E. Analyses Nos. 70 to 75 are from various exposures in this vicinity, the exact location of which are not known. Analyses 93 to 138 are of cores from two test holes in sections 12 and 13, T. 31 N., R. 8 E. In hole No. 1, which is in the vicinity of the Michigan Alkali quarry the limestone, to the depth of 125 feet, averages 94.4 per cent calcium carbonate. In hole No. 38 many of the beds are siliceous, argillaceous and comparatively low in calcium carbonate, though the magnesia exceeds 2 per cent in but three analyses. From 91 to 98 feet the silica and alumina form nearly 20 per cent of the rock.

The high average purity of the rock in the first hole may be due to its nearness to reef limestone and the relative impurity of the stone in the other to its greater distance from reef limestone. The bottom beds in hole No. 38 apparently belong to the Long Lake series. The depth of the pure limestone in hole No. 1 indicates that the Alpena stone is thicker than apparent in the Michigan Alkali quarry. It is obvious, however, that in the vicinity of Alpena, due to the great horizontal variation in the composition of many of the beds, drill holes do not always furnish conclusive evidence of the precise character of the limestone beds. Exposures are abundant north and northwest of Alpena along the elevated tract to the Presque Isle County line. Two miles north of Alpena on the Long Lake road near the southwest corner of sec. 35, T. 31 N., R. 8 E., there is an exposure of a highly fossiliferous limestone consisting chiefly of stems and joints of crinoids and of various bryozoa. Analysis No. 89 shows that it contains considerable silica. One mile north in a well drilled by E. S. Beal in the S. E. corner section 26, T. 31 N., R. 8 E., over 54 feet of solid limestone was penetrated.

Reef limestone is exposed in the N. E. corner of section 4, T. 31 N., R. 8 E., but, one-half mile east, light blue argillaceous limestone was encountered in a shallow well on the Chas. Allen farm near the S. ½ post of sec. 33, T. 32 N., R. 8 E. On the Leon Mainville farm S ½ S. E. ¼ sec. 29, T. 32 N., R. 8 E., reef limestone is exposed over a large area and according to Mr. E. S. Beal, a man of wide experience in drilling, 154 feet of good limestone was penetrated in a well across the road near the S. W. corner section 28, the hole ending in black shale. The Alpena series is well exposed in numerous sinks in the vicinity of Bolton. The following section is exposed in a sink in the N. W. comer of section 14, T. 32 N., R. 7 E.:

	Feet.
Crinoidal limestone	1
Massive gray limestone	2
Acervularia limestone	4
Dark crystalline limestone. Very shaly and bituminous limestone.	1
Gray crystalline limestone	2.5
Shale seam	0.5
Gray crystalline limestone	_3
Talus	50

A similar series of beds is exposed in another sink about 120 rods east and slightly south. Mr. E. S. Beal drilled a well with a core drill 137 feet in depth near the northwest corner of section 16, T. 32 N., R. 8 E. Four feet of black shale was struck at 54 feet, all the rest of the rock being limestone.

The sections exposed in the sinks and penetrated in the wells indicate that the Alpena limestone series is thicker to the northwest or that the upper portion of the Long Lake series becomes less shaly west of Long Lake. No analyses were made of the cores from the wells, but if the stone is low in magnesia there is a large reserve of high grade limestone in the northern portions of Alpena and Maple Ridge townships.

M. J. Griffin quarries. These quarries, now abandoned, are about one and a half miles northwest of Bolton, near the Detroit and Mackinac railroad in the S. E. ¼ section 5, T. 32 N., R. 7 E. The quarries are small and only about 8 feet of stone is exposed. Near the top the beds are extremely fossiliferous. The top bed is composed of a mass of crinoid stems. At the bottom of this bed there is a 6 inch stratum composed almost entirely of brachiopods. Near the bottom of the section the beds are dark and contain argillaceous and bituminous material. The stone is very pure and well suited for chemical and fluxing purposes as indicated by analyses Nos. 76 to 88.

Numerous exposures of the Alpena series occur in the vicinity of Bolton on the side of the valley of Thunder Bay river. Reef limestone occurs in the N. E. ½ section 20, T. 32 N., R. 7 E., a mile and a half south of the station. This evidently belongs to the upper portion of the series since the shaly Upper Traverse series occupy the valley of the Thunder Bay river to the southwest.

Summary. The Alpena series in Alpena County is essentially high calcium limestone containing reefs of great purity and beds of massive crystalline gray to buff limestone with some interbedded shale and argillaceous and cherty limestone. The elevated tract extending from Thunder Bay peninsula northwest into Presque Isle

County is underlain chiefly by the Alpena series and contains an enormous reserve of easily accessible high calcium limestone under very favorable quarrying conditions. The inland situation, however, of most of the deposits is a factor unfavorable to their immediate development. The extensive beds of high calcium limestone in the vicinity of Alpena located near cheap water transportation are sufficient to last for a great many years.

Thunder Bay or Upper Traverse Series.\* The Upper Traverse series is not so well exposed as the middle and lower series. It consists of shale and limestone, much of the latter very argillaceous.

\*A. W. Grabau. Stratigraphy of the Traverse Formation. Ann. Rept. Mich. Geol. Series for 1901, p. 192.

#### Quarries and localities.

Dock Street, Alpena. A bed of clay about 6 feet in depth occurs in a test well on Dock street, Alpena, overlying the Alpena limestone. Above the clay is a bed of limestone only a few inches thick.

Fletcher Dam. Limestone is exposed at many places along Thunder Bay river, especially along the upper branches. At Fletcher Dam, section 7, T. 31 N., R. 8 E., formerly the location of Broadwells sawmill and dam, reef limestone occurs in the bed of the river. This is now concealed by the dam. Below the dam 6 feet of limestone and calcareous shale are exposed. Analysis No. 138 of this so called "hydraulic limestone" was made by N. H. Winchell about 1870. According to Winchell's unpublished field notes there are numerous exposures chiefly in sinks and cracks in T. 32 N., Rs. 6 and 7 E. In section 2, T. 31 N., R. 7 E. hydraulic cement was burned by a man named Trowbridge. The Boom Company's dam on Thunder Bay river in section 2, T. 31 N., R. 7 E., was formerly the site of Trowbridge's mill. A cliff of shale 15 feet in height occurs along the east bank. The lower part is very calcareous. Above the shale there is about a foot of sub-crystalline limestone, apparently identical with the thin limestone above the Dock street clay in Alpena. Below the dam on the right bank of the river 6 feet of very calcareous shale is exposed.

Warner brick yard. Calcareous shales with thin bands of argillaceous limestone are exposed at Warner's old brick yard in the southwestern part of Alpena. The following analysis shows the calcareous nature of the lower blue portion of the exposures:

\*Analysis Warner's Brick Yard Clay.

No. Anal.	SiO <sub>2</sub> .	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> .	AlgOa.	CaCO <sub>1</sub> .	CaO.	MgCO <sub>3</sub> .	MgO.	CO <sub>z</sub> , organ., Alk., and loss.
140	54.46	4.66	17.26	11.79*	6.60	5.92*	2.82	14.20

\*Culculated from original analysis.

Stony Point. A cliff of limestone and shale 12 feet in height is exposed at this place. The upper 4 or 5 feet is composed of limestone with shaly partings and the lower portion of shale with thin bedded calcareous layers. The

top bed of the Upper Traverse series is a brownish granular dolomite.

Summary. The foregoing data indicates that the Upper Traverse series is too shaly and argillaceous to be of much commercial importance as a source of limestone. It is possible, however, that locally the argillaceous limestones and shales may be adapted for making natural cement.

#### Arenac County.

Distribution. The Grand Rapids series occupies the northeastern half of the county. The Lower Grand Rapids, or Michigan series, underlies that portion of the county north of a line drawn from the mouth of Au Gres river west-northwest to the point where the river intersects the north county line. The Upper Grand Rapids or Bay Port (Maxville) forms a belt from about 2 to 4 miles wide extending from Point Au Gres on Saginaw Bay to the northwest corner of the county. The western half of the county is heavily drift covered, hence exposures of limestone are confined to the eastern portion.



Figure 12. Map showing the distribution and the chief areas of exposures of the Bayport limestone in Arenac county. Black triangles indicate quarries.

The principal exposures of the Bayport limestone are along a low broad ridge (fig. 12) extending from Point Au Gres northwest into the southeast portion of section 34, T. 20 N., R. 5 E. Exposures of the Michigan series are almost entirely confined to a broad low ridge in Ts. 19 and 20 N., R. 20 E., lying between Lake Huron and Au Gres River and extending south-southwest roughly parallel to the lake shore.

The Bayport formation\* in Arenac County is composed of limestone, generally very sandy or cherty, thin bedded, and full of fossils, and hard gray or white sandstone. The thickness of the member at Omer is apparently about 45 feet and the high calcium layers form only a small fraction of this.

\*W. M. Gregory. Geology of Arenac County. Pub. 11, Geol. Ser. 8, Mich. Geol. and Biol. Surv., 1911, pp. 47-52.

#### Quarries and Localities.

Pt. Au Gres. An 8 foot bluff of limestone extends along the lake shore at Pt. Au Gres for a half mile. The upper 5 feet is sandy and contains traces of green shale and the lower 3 feet is light gray, very brittle limestone with nodules of chert and fossils. The stone was formerly

quarried for building stone and it has proven very resistant to weathering. To the northwest of Point Au Gres limestone is exposed under light overburden in several places in sections 27, 28, 35, and 36, T. 19 N., R. 6 E. In section 27, as shown by the schoolhouse well, the limestone is only 5 inches thick and is underlain by 3 to 4 feet of brown sandstone and 7 feet of dark grayish limestone with sandy streaks.

Duck Lake guarries. Limestone is also reported to occur south of Duck Lake and on the west side of the lake. In sections 16 and 17, T. 19 N., R. 6 E., it forms a low flat ridge in which two or three small quarries have been opened for building stone. The Omsted quarries are in the southeast corner of section 17 where there are about 8 acres of limestone under light drift cover. The quarries consist of two small openings. In the one near the road a face of about 4 feet of very cherty limestone is exposed. In the other, located some 20 rods southeast, the upper 3 feet is very cherty. This is underlain by one foot of very shaly limestone, a 4 inch layer of fossils, and an 8 inch layer of dark lithographic limestone. Analysis No. 141 shows that the stone is a siliceous dolomite. The generally sandy, cherty, and magnesian nature of the limestone in this vicinity makes it unsuitable for most purposes excepting building stone or crushed stone for road making, concrete and ballast.

McDonnell quarry. The Jas. McDonnell quarry is located in the southeast corner of section 15 T. 19 N., R. 5 E., about 3 miles northeast of Omer at the southeastern end of a ridge of limestone which extends northwest into section 2. The quarry is operated for burning hot lime. The stone is obtained from a 3 foot layer of high calcium limestone underlain by 6 inches of argillaceous sandstone. The upper bed is a very hard dense grained white to light gray limestone. It is much fractured and disturbed by glacial action and tree roots, and stained by infiltrated clayey matter.

In 1902 Thomas Burt, former owner of the quarry, made a test boring in the bottom of the quarry, penetrating the following strata:

	Feet.	Inches.
Arenaceous limestone.	20	
Blue limestone	100	
Oark shale	0	
Gypsum	. 10	

The overburden consists of a thin covering of loam and clay which is removed by shovels. The stone is pried out by bars and picks, loaded by hand on cars and drawn to the top of the kiln by horses. Wood is used for fuel. The lime is of good quality and is sold chiefly for chemical purposes and to supply the local needs.

The area underlain by the high calcium stone is unknown but it appears that it extends northwest across the adjoining property of Geo. Averill. In such case the area of available high calcium stone is between 20 and 25 acres. Analyses Nos. 141 and 142 show that it contains less than 2 per cent of magnesium carbonate.

The relatively high silica content of the first analysis is due largely to the infiltrated clay and sand.

M. J. Griffin quarry. This quarry is located about three-fourths of a mile northwest of the McDonnell quarry near the opposite end of the same ridge. The quarry was operated largely for supplying crushed stone for paving and road ballast, but it has been abandoned for many years. The openings cover several acres but are shallow, varying from 4 to 6 feet in depth. The following section shows the general character of the beds:

Section in M. J. Griffin quarry.

	Feet.	Inches.
Gray to buff thin bedded limestone with some chert or flint nodul     Buff gray and gray very sandy and very cherty limestone. The contains many nodules of chert and fint frequialry distribu	bed	
and 15 to 20 per cent of fine quartz sand 3. Black or dark limestone with shaly seams 4. Gray limestone	3	2 to 6

Very cherty limestone is also exposed in an old quarry just across the road in section 2 where lime was formerly burned in an old set kiln.

Analysis No. 143 is of the purest stone in the quarry. The abundance of chert and sand in most of the beds and its magnesian character renders this limestone of little value except for building stone, road metal, concrete, and ballast.

Locally the chert or flint nodules are very abundant in some of the beds in the Bayport limestone in Arenac County, and it is possible they may prove satisfactory for use in pebble mills used in grinding Portland cement clinker. Practically the entire supply of flint pebbles is imported at the present time. Flint pebbles are expensive and it is possible that where chert and flint nodules are abundant their recovery may be a source of considerable profit.

Sections 34 and 85, T. 20 N., R. 5 E. The ridge of limestone in which the McDonnell and Griffin quarries are located is interrupted in the eastern part of section 2, T. 19 N., R. 5 E., but it reappears again in the southwestern part of section 35 and southeastern part of sec. 34, T. 20 N., R. 5 E. Hard, light gray thin bedded limestone similar to that in the McDonnell guarry is reported at several places over an area of about 150 acres. Owing to the surface covering the thickness of the stone could not be determined, but according to Gregory\* it is thinner than in the McDonnell quarry and is underlain by a ripple marked sandstone. According to Mr. Tyler, part owner, an analysis made by the German Sugar Co. showed an average of about 95 per cent of calcium carbonate. Analysis No. 144, from the northeast corner of section 3, T. 19 N., R. 5 E., according to W. M. Gregory, is apparently from the sections adjoining on the north. This part of section 3 is low and swampy and the ridge of limestone lies wholly in the sections on the north. Though a high calcium stone the silica is also high, which renders it unsatisfactory for the manufacture of sugar.

\*W. M. Gregory. Geology of Arenac County. Pub. 11, Geol. Ser. 8, Mich. Geol. & Biol. Surv. 1911, p. 51.

White Stone Point. At White Stone Point† low ledges of grayish limestone are exposed along the lake shore and extend out under the lake for a short distance. The stone is brittle, fine grained and free from sand.

In sec. 23, T. 20 N., R. 7 E., limestone is exposed over a considerable area, terminating on the north in a low cliff or steep terrace. Formerly Harmon and Crowell operated a small quarry in this deposit for lime burning. The stone contains an abundance of chert nodules and these finally caused the abandonment of the enterprise. The section exposed is as follows:

Section in Harmon and Crowell quarry.

	Feet.	Inches.
Boulder clay Sandy limestone. Gray limestone with abundant chert nodules in upper portion 2 to 3 inches in diameter.		11 6

Limestone was also obtained for burning from a small exposure in section 24 on the lake shore. The bed is only 1½ feet thick and is covered with shale.

The limestone ridges in which the above quarries were opened begin near the southeast corner of section 13, T. 20 N., R. 7 E., and extend southwest into section 23. Analysis No. 145 said to be from the top layer shows that it is a high calcium limestone.

Many of the limestone strata in T. 20 N., R. 7 E., resemble those of the Bayport, northeast of Omer, and it is possible that they belong to this formation rather than to the Michigan or gypsum bearing series. Due to the extremely flat dip (about 15 feet per mile) of the strata to the southwest in Arenac county, the Bayport limestone may exist in the northeastern part of the county as a thin capping over the higher portions of the rock ridges.

†Loc. Cit. p. 134.

Summary. The limestone resources of Arenac County are relatively small. The beds of high calcium stone are thin and associated with sandy, cherty, or magnesian limestone and shale, hence the greater portion of the quarry products is adapted only for building stone, concrete, road making, and ballast. The beds, however, are situated in a low flat clay region of the Saginaw Valley practically without other sources of suitable material for road making, therefore they are of very considerable local importance. The rapid settlement of the fertile clay lands in the eastern part of the county and the necessity for good roads will undoubtedly cause the early development of many of the deposits. Quite probably the developments will lead to the discovery of beds of high calcium limestone which, due to the scarcity of such stone in the central and larger portion of the Southern Peninsula, will be of importance to some of the sugar, chemical, and other industries dependent upon high calcium limestone. The cherty or flinty limestone may also become valuable as a source of pebbles for use in the manufacture of Portland cement. In brief the limestone resources of Arenac County, due to their isolated position and peculiar local conditions, have an

economic importance out of proportion to their relative magnitude.

#### Charlevoix County.

Distribution. The northwestern portion of Charlevoix county is underlain by the Traverse formation which in the Little Traverse Bay region is chiefly limestone. The strata dip to the southeast and in the southeastern part of the county are overlain by the black shales of the Antrim formation.

The principal exposures are in the vicinity of the lake shore along high terraces cut by the glacial lakes formerly occupying the basin of Lake Michigan and standing at much higher levels than the present lake. The only considerable area of easily accessible limestone is in the vicinity of Charlevoix. The other exposures are chiefly in the form of narrow benches along the lake shore.

The Traverse is composed of alternating beds of high calcium and high magnesian limestones, as in the vicinity of Petoskey (see Emmet county). The thickness and precise character of all of the different beds and their relations, however, are not well determined.

#### Quarries and Localities.

Charlevoix. The largest and probably the most important area of limestone in the Little Traverse Bay region occurs in sections 28, 29, 32, and 33, T. 34 N., R. 8 W., just west of the city limits of Charlevoix. The area in which limestone is exposed or under light cover totals several hundred acres. On the east, the area is cut off by a deep valley partially occupied by Pine Lake. The limestone forms a table land generally from 20 to 60 feet or more above lake level between this rock valley on the east and Lake Michigan on the west.

The strata are locally very much disturbed. The general inclination of the beds is southward but it varies greatly in amount and direction from place to place. In one place, the dip is over five degrees to the north and an eighth of a mile distant over 22 degrees to the south. The rock series includes an upper horizon of high calcium limestone with a thin shale bed, a middle thick shale bed, and a lower series of limestones, apparently high calcium in composition but with some siliceous and argillaceous beds. Due to the general southward inclination, successively lower beds are exposed in passing from south to north across the area. The strike of the beds is in a general east and west direction but this is considerably modified locally by the sharp variations in dip. The limestone area is divided into two parts. The northern or smaller one includes Pine River Point and is separated from the much larger southern part by a narrow belt underlain by the middle shale.

Charlevoix Rock Products Company quarry. The Charlevoix Rock Products Company's quarry (Pl. II B) and limekilns are located a short distance northwest of the City of Charlevoix in the SE. ¼ SE. ¼ of section 28, T. 34 N., R. 8 W. At the 'time of the writer's visit in 1914, Quarry No. 1, located at the plant, was an irregular

opening about 400 feet in greatest diameter and about 23 feet in greatest depth. The following section was exposed in the workings:

Section in Charlevoix Rock Products Co. quarry.

	Feet.	Inches.
Surface or overburden about Light buff, friable, and sandy appearing limestone. Light buff, friable, and sandy appearing limestone. Top portion much fractured and disturbed. 17.46 per cent. Light buff line grained earthy limestone. 18.46 per cent. Banded buff to dark gray earthy limestone. 18.47 cache to the proper limestone of the quarry. 18.48 buff line grained buff limestone, the floor of the quarry. 18.49 buff limestone or the party limestone in character and composition.	1 18 1 2 0	8 to 10

The beds dip gently southward. Toward the west, however, the dip of the beds locally becomes discordant and much steeper as shown in a small quarry located about a quarter of a mile west-southwest of the plant.

The beds of limestone, though rather massively bedded toward the top of the quarry, are so completely traversed by an irregular system of joint planes that the stone is won by steam shovel without blasting. The shale beneath the quarry is so soft that a 10 inch layer of limestone is left above the shale as a floor to support the tracks and steam shovel.

The beds in the quarry average over 97 per cent of calcium carbonate, less than 1.5 per cent of magnesium carbonate and 1 per cent of silica. Analysis No. 146 is fairly representative of the average composition of the stone in the quarry excluding the top broken portion. Analyses No. 147 and 148 are apparently from this quarry, although the exact location is not given.

Due to its low percentage of silica, magnesia, or other objectionable impurities the stone is especially adapted for use in the manufacturing of special steels, sugar, and paper, as well as for general fluxing and chemical purposes.

Quarry No. 2 of the Charlevoix Rock Products Company is situated about one-fourth of a mile slightly south of west from Quarry No. 1. It consists of a narrow arcuate opening about 200 feet long extending in a general eastnortheasterly direction and varying from a few feet up to 9 feet in depth. In this quarry the dip of the beds is abnormal in amount and direction. At the east end the dip is 18 degrees in a direction S. 65° E., at the Center 22 degrees S. 37° E., and at the west end 5 degrees S. 15° W. On the north the floor of the quarry begins at the surface and extends downward parallel to the beds, hence the face is wholly on the south side of the opening and parallel to the strike of the beds. Due to the steep southward inclination and a gentle northward slope of the surface the edges of underlying beds are exposed on the north side of the quarry. The following section is exposed:

Section in Quarry No. 2, Charlevoix Rock Products Co.

		Thickness, feet.
	Surface	0 to 1
1.	Surface. Yellow friable, earthy and fossiliferous limestone, much weathered, CaCO <sub>5</sub> , 89 per cent.	3+
2.	per cent. Shale, very fossiliferous, and yellow where weathered. Hard gray to buff gray very crystalline limestone. CaCO <sub>2</sub> , 95.94 per cent.	1+
3.	Said to be expecially adopted for surar manufacture.	4
4.	Dense white laminated limestone, the floor of the quarry	
5.	Extremely fossiliferous limestone. This bed is a mass of coral and stromato- pore. Bed said to contain over 95 per cent of calcium carbonate.	14

Bed No. 5 is said to be directly underlain by the yellow friable limestones exposed in quarry No. 1 at the plant, hence at this point there is about 45 feet of limestone above the heavy shale bed exposed in the bottom of quarry No. 1.

Analysis No. 149 indicates that the top bed, where fresh and unweathered is probably a high calcium limestone. The sample was taken from the exposed margin of the bed and probably farther south in the direction of the dip the stone is less weathered and of better quality. Analysis No. 150 is of a representative set of samples from the crystalline bed below the shale seam. No analyses are available showing the character of beds Nos. 4 and 5, but according to R. F. Sloan, general manager of the company, they contain over 95 per cent of calcium carbonate.

City quarry. Formerly the city of Charlevoix operated a small quarry near the northwest corner NW. ¼ NE. ¼ section 33, T. 34 N., R. 8 E., about one-eighth of a mile south of quarry No. 2 of the Charlevoix Rock Products Company. The section is apparently the same in both quarries with the exception that bed No. 3 is much thicker than in quarry No. 2. The stone was used for paving and road making.

A similar abnormal inclination of the beds occurs in this quarry. Apparently a small plunging anticline extends into the quarry from the southwest. The dip varies from 2 or 3 degrees to the northwest to about 7 degrees slightly east of north and directly toward quarry No. 1 of the Charlevoix Rock Products Company. Almost directly south the dip decreases to only 2 or 3 degrees. The dip is about 11 degrees south from guarry No. 1 and 7 degrees north from the city quarry, hence there must be a very pronounced trough or syncline in the strata between the two quarries. Since the southeastward dip in quarry No. 2 is about 20 degrees, the syncline apparently plunges to the east. South of quarry No. 1, the dip of the beds is said to be very gentle, therefore the abnormal dips noted above must flatten out quickly to the eastward.



Plate II. A. Quarry and crushing plant of the Michigan Alkali Company at Alpena, Alpena County.

The lower quarry is shown at the right center and a portion of the new steel crushing plant at the extreme right.

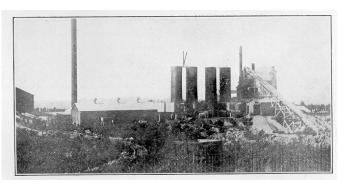


Plate II. B. Kilns and crushing plant of the Charlevoix Rock Products Company at Charlevoix, Charlevoix county.

A portion of the quarry is faintly shown at the lower right.

Wolverine Lime Co. quarry. A small quarry has been opened in the S. ½ SE. ¼ sec. 29, T. 34 N., R. 8 W., in the western part of the Charlevoix limestone area. The Wolverine Lime Company owns or controls this and adjacent limestone properties and proposed to erect a modern lime plant. According to reports the enterprise did not materialize.

The quarry was about 7 feet in depth and the stone is apparently similar in character to that in the city quarry and quarry No. 2 of the Charlevoix Rock Products Company.

Analysis No. 150 is of a representative set of samples from the quarry. Analyses Nos. 152-154 were furnished by E. S. Stacks, a member of the company. These analyses show that the stone averages nearly 97 per cent calcium carbonate and less than 1 per cent of magnesium carbonate.

Lake shore. Due to the southward inclination of the beds in the Charlevoix area and the very considerable elevation of much of the area above lake level, a number of beds below the heavy shale bed of quarry No. 2 of the Charlevoix Rock Products Company are exposed at the surface northward from the guarries and along the lake shore to Pine River Point. Some of the beds are dark fine grained or lithographic in texture, others crystalline and fossiliferous. Apparently the lower series is in general low in magnesia, as indicated by analyses Nos. 155 to 159, which are supposed to be of stone from the vicinity of Pine River Point. Possibly analyses Nos. 147 and 148 are also from the lower series. The striking feature of the first set of analyses is the high silica, alumina, and iron which together average about 8 per cent. The evidence, though of doubtful nature, indicates that the character of the limestone deposits in the immediate vicinity of Pine River Point should be carefully investigated before developments are attempted.

Along the lake shore on the west, limestone is exposed at various places near water level from Pine River Point to Norwood. Close to the shore sand dunes conceal the rock. Farther inland and south of Charlevoix it is drift covered, exposures being few and small. South of Charlevoix near the west shore of Pine Lake there is an exposure of dolomite but no analyses are available.

This lies above the high calcium series of the Charlevoix area but its exact position has not been determined.

From the foregoing data a generalized section of the strata exposed in the vicinity of Charlevoix is as follows:

Heavy magnesian limestone exposed south of the Charlevoix himestone area near Place Lake.

Series of high calcium limestones with a thin shale hed. Exposed in the various quarries and at many places from the Charlevoix Rock Products Co. quarry westward to the lake shore.

Soft blue shale. Exposed in the bottom of the Charlevoix Rock Products Co. quarry No. 1.

Series of high calcium limestones with some very siliceous and argillaceous beds. Exposed north of Charlevoix Rock Products Co. quarries along lake shore and on Pine River Pt.

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Norwood. North of Norwood, limestone, is exposed along the shore on old terraces 40 to 60 feet or more above the water. The exposures or areas of easily accessible limestone are relatively small, being confined to the narrow terraces. Inland the overburden becomes excessive. Immediately south of Norwood the limestone is overlain by the black shales of the Antrim formation.

One mile north of the dock at Norwood, sec. 34, T. 33 N., R. 9 W., heavy magnesian limestone is exposed in a low bluff near the lake shore. Analysis No. 160, made by Rominger in 1869, shows that it is practically dolomite.

About 1½ miles northeast of Norwood, NE. ¼ section 26, T. 33 N., R. 9 W., high calcium limestone is exposed in a number of places along the top of one of the upper terraces and at the base of a series of ancient sand dunes. The area of the terrace at this point is considerable but the area of accessible limestone could not be determined. Apparently it is at least several acres. About 5 feet of light gray dense grained to lithographic limestone was exposed in two small openings formerly operated for lime burning. Other openings are reported in this vicinity but these were not discovered. Nothing could be learned as to the probable thickness of this bed. Analysis No. 161 from a composite of several representative samples is indicative of its high average purity. It is possible that a considerable acreage of this high calcium stone could be developed in this locality.

Bay Shore. A double line of terraces or old lake beaches extends along the south shore of Little Traverse Bay. The lower terrace ranging from a few feet up to 40 feet or more in height is generally very close to shore. The upper terrace of equal height is usually from a few hundred feet to a half mile distant. Due to wave cutting by the present lake, limestone cliffs occur at many places in the lower terrace from Bay View, Emmet county, westward to Charlevoix and beyond. The upper terrace has but few exposures, being largely drift covered.

At Bay Shore cliffs of friable or sugary yellow brown limestone varying from a few feet to 40 feet or more in height extend continuously along the shore for a considerable distance. Here the lower terrace is several hundred feet wide but the overburden is relatively thick in most places.

Northern Lime Co. quarry. Bay Shore or Standard Plant. The Northern Lime Co. of Petoskey operates a number

of quarries along Little Traverse Bay for lime burning. Their plant at Bay Shore is .called the Bay Shore or Standard Plant. The quarry is double, consisting of an eastern and western portion with a battery of four kilns midway between. At the time of the writer's visit the western opening was the smaller and shallower but plans were then under way for cutting through the neck separating the quarries. The developed face in the smaller quarry ranges in height from 15 to 25 feet but in the other it is 35 to 40 feet. The overburden is relatively thick, varying from 3 to about 10 feet, the thickness increasing away from the shore.

Locally the strata show very discordant dips. The general dip is slight and almost due south yet in the smaller quarry it averaged 5 degrees N. 45° W., resulting in a pronounced inclination of the quarry floor. Larger dips were observed but these were not maintained throughout the quarry. In the eastern quarry the dip, though not measured, was strongly to the northwest as in the smaller quarry. A quarter of a mile west of the quarry the dip is about 10° in the same direction. At Kawgachewing Point two miles farther west apparently corresponding strata are higher than at Bay Shore, therefore a marked syncline is indicated between these two places.

The following section was exposed in the western quarry:

Section in Bay Shore quarry, west end.

Surface.  Light gray to white dense grained limestone, harder than the strata below.  Very yellow and ferraginous limestone, worthless and rejected for lime burning.  Yellow to brown laminated limestone.  Massive yellow limestone, very soft in upper portion.  Banded yellow limestone with bituminous bands.	3 to 6	+

In the eastern quarry bed No. 1 is overlain by 2 to 3 feet of gray crystalline magnesian and siliceous limestone, resembling at a little distance, gray granite and so termed by the quarrymen. The bed is rejected for burning. The remainder of the section is similar to that in the western quarry, but a much greater thickness of the lower, yellow, sugary limestones is exposed, the working face of the quarry being from 35 to 40 feet.

On the northeastern side of the quarry the strata down to and into the yellow limestone is cut out by a "horse of sandstone." It is a massively bedded yellow sandy appearing lime-sandstone said to contain only about 56 per cent of calcium carbonate and to be worthless for lime. This so-called "horse of sandstone" apparently represents an eroded channel in the limestone filled with lime-sand. The presence of this stone has stopped further quarrying on that side of the quarry.

Bed No. 1 is said to be "good" limestone, but No. 2, the ferruginous bed, is worthless. The yellow, "sugary" limestones below this bed are largely magnesian but are said to burn well and make very satisfactory commercial lime, containing from about 75 to 85 per cent of calcium oxide. Analysis No. 162 is of a representative set of samples from the usable stone in the quarry and indicates the general magnesian character of the beds. As at Petoskey and Superior (2 mi. west of Bay Shore)

the percentage of calcium carbonate increases downward though irregularly.

Determinations of calcium carbonate were made for eight strata from top to bottom with the following results:

Analyses of limestone beds at Bay Shore.

	No. analysis.	No. of bed.	CaCO <sub>b</sub>
67		1. (top) 2. 3. 4.	63.08 82.46 79.77 92.44
70. 71		5. 6. 7. 8.	88.3 97.9 93.3 63.7

Analysis No. 163 is said to be from a high calcium bed near the base of the quarry. Analyses 164 and 165 are of commercial lump lime. The low content of silica, alumina, and iron in the stone as quarried is noteworthy. Analysis No. 174 is by Rominger from dark lithographic limestone about one mile east of Bay Shore and presumably from near the water edge. Very probably these lithographic beds are but a short distance below the bottom of the Bay Shore quarry as they are exposed on either side along the shore.

Owing to the soft friable nature of the stone it is not adapted for concrete, roadmaking, or ballast.

Superior. At Superior, about 2 miles west of Bay Shore, the yellow sugary limestones form the upper terrace, the base of which is-between 30 and 40 feet above the lake. The general character of the beds in the lower terrace is not known, but near the top there is a bed of blue shale and shaly limestone, and at the bottom slightly above and also below water level, there is a light gray lithographic bed overlain by gray, dense grained to crystalline and fossiliferous limestone. These lower beds are high calcium limestones according to the local lime burners and apparently they belong to the series of high calcium lithographic limestones exposed at a number of places along the lake shore near water level from Petoskey westward nearly to Bay Shore.

Northern Lime Company, Superior Plant. The Northern Lime Company operates a quarry in the upper terrace of sugary limestones for burning lime. The quarry has been developed parallel to the face of the terrace or bluff and is about 600 feet long. The working face varies from 30 to 35 feet in height. The overburden is largely sand and stony gravel and varies from 2 to 10 feet thick. Apparently it is relatively thin over a considerable area back from the lake. The quarry supplies stone for a battery of three continuous kilns. Owing to its soft friable nature the stone is not suitable for concrete, road making, and ballast.

The section exposed in the quarry is as follows:

Section in Superior quarry.

		Feet.
	Surface sand and gravel	2 to 1
1.	Yellowish white dense grained to earthy limestone	6-
2.	Clayey or shaly light yellow limestone disintegrated and "rotten"	2
а.	Earthy limestone with light yellow and gray mottlings and streaks. More	***
	erystalline toward the bottom	10
4.	Massive earthy yellow limestone.  Banded brownish "sugary" limestone with bituminous bands. Bottom of this	7
5.	Banded brownish "sugary" limestone with bituminous bands. Bottom of this	
	bed forms the floor of the quarry	2 -
6.	Blue very shaly limestone weathering yellow	1 -

The beds, though magnesian, are much less so than at Bay Shore as shown by analysis No. 175. According to Mr. Zipp, superintendent of the Superior and Bay Shore plants, lime averaging 85 per cent calcium oxide can be obtained by sorting the stone. Analysis No. 176 by Rominger in 1869 is from one of the dark lithographic beds near the bottom of the lower terrace and indicates that they are exceptionally high in calcium carbonate. The stone, however, is not adapted for lime burning on account of its tendency to "pop" or break to pieces in the kiln, thus choking the draft.

West of Superior and Kawgachewing Point cliffs of limestone similar in character to that at Superior occur at one or more points along the lake shore but the extent of the accessible limestone is uncertain. Generally ancient sand dunes and glacial deposits limit the quarryable areas to small narrow benches near the shore.

Summary. The limestone resources of Charlevoix county are chiefly confined to relatively small areas along the lake shore in the form of narrow benches, the inland portions of the county generally being heavily drift covered. The largest and most important area occurs between the city of Charlevoix and Lake Michigan. The limestone in this area is high calcium but that eastward along the lake shore from Charlevoix is largely low to high magnesian. An area of high calcium stone occurs north of Norwood but its extent and importance is uncertain.

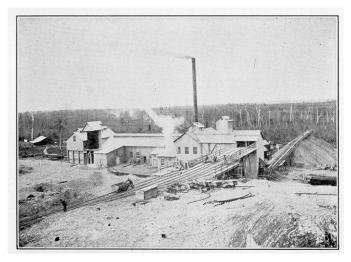


Plate III. A. Plant of the Campbell Stone Company at Afton, Cheboygan county.

## Cheboygan County.

Distribution. Three limestone formations underlie Cheboygan county. The Monroe formation skirts the lake shore on the north, the Dundee limestone forms a narrow parallel belt immediately south, and the Traverse formation occupies the whole central portion of the county. The Antrim and the Cold water shales underlie the southern portion.

The rock surface is cut by a system of deep valleys partly drift filled and partly occupied by lakes. The deepest and largest extends from Cheboygan southwest

to Little Traverse Bay and is occupied by Mullet, Burt, and other lakes. Black Lake occupies a branch of this valley extending southeast from Cheboygan. Due to the deep valleys and the irregular deposition of the drift, the exposures of limestone are chiefly on the sides of river valleys or along old glacial lake beaches and are usually of limited extent. The numerous drift filled channels locally makes the development of limestone deposits uncertain and hazardous.

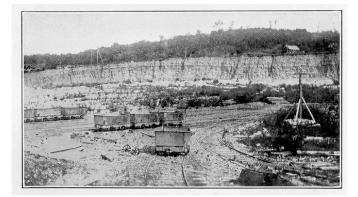


Plate III. B. Quarry of the Petoskey Crushed Stone Company four miles west of Petoskey, Emmet county.

Pronounced undulations of the beds as shown at the left are characteristic of the Traverse formation along Little Traverse Bay.

The Monroe formation is doubtfully exposed near the water's edge on the lake shore east of Mackinaw City. The Dundee limestone forms the upper terrace along the lake shore from section 30, T. 39 N., R. 3 W.; eastward, across Private Claim No. 334, a distance of about three miles. Exposures occur along the lower course of Mill Creek which flows across the claim. The Traverse formation is exposed in numerous bluffs along river valleys in the vicinity of Afton, Legrand, and Tower.

The Dundee limestone as exposed in Cheboygan county is essentially a high calcium formation with a magnesian base. The Traverse formation is less shaly than in Alpena county but more so than in the vicinity of Little Traverse Bay.

#### Quarries and Localities.

Afton quarry. At Afton in NW. ¼ NE. ¼ section 36, T. 35 N., R, 2 W., the Campbell Stone Company operates a quarry (Pl. III A) both for lime burning and for crushed stone products. The quarry has been opened in the upper part of a high bluff on the east side of Pigeon River valley. The quarry is a more or less oval opening several hundred feet long and 30 to over 40 feet in depth.

The area of easily accessible stone was not determined but it is large since a half mile to the north limestone is at or near the surface. The ridge, which forms a bluff along the river valley, extends eastward past the village of Afton for a considerable distance. The section exposed in the quarry is as follows:

## Section in Afton quarry.

	Glacial drift	0 to 2 +
	Glacial drift. Light gray dense grained to crystalline limestone. CaCO <sub>b</sub> , 97.32%. Light gray dense grained to crystalline limestone. CaCO <sub>b</sub> , 97.32%.  Much of the stone re-	a.
2.	Light gray dense grained to crystalline limistone. Calcon Much of the stone re- Black bituminous limestone with masses of cap corals. Much of the stone re- Black bituminous limestone with masses. CaCOn 92.6%. Organic matter	
	lected though high in calcium cocossists	6
	2.61%	4.1
3.	Light gray crystalline limestone. Very pure and color paper manufacture by the soda process, CaCO <sub>2</sub> , 96.97 %	1-
4.	for paper manufacture by the soda process, CaCos.  Disintegrated limestone. Falls to pieces in quarrying.	_
5.	Very bituminous, bandes, the clong bituminous bands. Cocco, 98 0455	24
	minous bands. Parts reality and More bituminous	53
6.	near top. Stone breaks	-
7	near top.  Badly disintegrated or "'vesicular" bed; belongs to bed below. Stone breaks	2 -
•	into fine pieces in quarrying. Openings due to solution.	4
8.	Stone breaks up badly, resulting in much waste.  Stone breaks up badly, resulting in much waste.  CaCO, 95.75%.	- 2
9.		10
	Stone used for lime obtained largely from this bed.	
10.	Stone used for time obtained negges your than shale parting Light gray to grayish buff limestone with thin shale parting at top	1+
	Vectoriar limestone, the floor in part of the quarry	1 +

## A core drilling\* near the quarry gave the following section:

## Core Drilling, Afton Quarry.

	Thickness, feet.	Depth, feet.
Clay, sand and broken reck.  Light colored rock.  (This forms the quarry beds. Near the lower south side of the quarry the black limestone (No. 2) is not present and the fact that this conspicuous bed was not noted in the record indicates that the hole was near the south edge of the bluff, hence the 38 feet of light colored limestone probably does not include the 38 feet of light colored limestone probably does not include	38 38	42
heds No. 1 and No. 2).  Brown rock, 201. (This is probably the soft vesicular limestone which forms the bottom of the quarry).  Light limestone, hard.  Dark limestone, soft.  Dark limestone, hard.  Blue shale, soft.  Blue shale, soft.  Black limestone, hard.  Light limestone, soft.  Black limestone, soft.  Black limestone, soft.  Light limestone, soft.  Light limestone, hard.  Light limestone, hard.  Light limestone, hard.  Light limestone, hard.  Mixed dark and light limestone, hard.  Black limestone, hard.  Mixed dark and light limestone, hard.  Black limestone.	1 2 1 13 4 5	48 54 56 61 64 64 64 64 68 88 89 10

Several other holes drilled in the vicinity of the quarry show practically the same section. Undoubtedly the holes located farthest north show the presence of beds No. 1 and No. 2, which were encountered farther up the bluff during the progress of quarrying in this direction.

\*A. C. Lane, Appendix Annual Report, 1908, Michigan Geological Survey, p. 91.

Character. The quarry beds vary greatly in color, structure and texture but all are very high in calcium and correspondingly low in magnesia. The black limestone owes its color to 2% to 3% of organic matter. As a rule, all but the more fossiliferous and less bituminous portions of this bed are rejected. The vesicular structure is apparently due to solution from water. In portions of some of the beds, the solution channels are so numerous that the stone literally crumbles to pieces under the heel. Blasting reduces this stone to an unsalable mass of small fragments. The percentage of fine material is exceptionally large and ordinarily would be wholly waste. Lime is burned in a rotary kiln and the stone must be crushed into small fragments; hence much of the fine material can be directly utilized for lime.

Bed No. 3, on account of its exceptionally low percentage of impurities, particularly silica and magnesia, is especially adapted for sugar and paper making. It burns very easily and makes a most excellent lime, but owing to the demand by paper and sugar manufacturers for stone from this bed most of the stone used for lime is obtained from beds Nos. 8, 9 and 10, which burn less easily, though making an excellent hot lime.

The percentage of calcium carbonate in the different beds in the quarry ranges from about 93% to over 98% (bed No. 3) and the silica from a minimum of .24% in the upper beds to 1.75% for the lower beds as shown by analyses Nos. 177 to 181. The average of analyses (No. 184) made from every two feet of core, the top 38 feet of "light colored" limestone (below beds Nos. 1 and 2) gave 96.52 per cent of calcium carbonate and 2.10 per cent of silica. Below this depth the silica and magnesia increase a similar average of analyses (No. 185) gave 3 to 5 per cent of silica and 6 to 9 per cent of magnesia. Analysis No. 182, said to be of black limestone, shows a surprisingly small amount of organic matter as compared with analysis No. 178 of bed No. 2.

The presence of the bituminous and the vesicular beds in the quarry requires hand sorting and loading. The product is burned for lime, and sold for a variety of purposes requiring high calcium limestone.

Black Lake Quarry. A number of years ago the Onaway Limestone Co. opened a quarry in sec. 2, T. 35 N., R. 1 E., in a bluff along the south side of Black Lake about 6 miles north of Onaway. The following section is exposed:

#### Section in Black Lake quarry.

	Dark bituminous, crystalline, and very fossiliferous beds, containing masses	Thickness, feet.
1.	of cofuls and an abundance of brachiopods. The bests are present only or	0.6.4
2.	the east end of the quarry. Light gray dense grained limestons with small disseminated calcite crystals.	8 +
3.	Dense grained gray impostons with roir few erestals of extests	g-+
4.	Gray dense grained limestone with many small calcire crystals	4
ű.	Dense grained gray to lithographic limestone with many small crystals of calcife. Lighter than bads Nos. 3 and 4	,
6.	Very fine gratoed, dark hituminous limestone	7
6.		4-
8.	Deline Etained limestone with followinous burds.	17
9.	Dense grained limestone with calcite crystals and dense cavities.	- 17
10.	Dark argillaceous bituminous and fossiliferous limestone with drawe conting	
	Apparently the top of the Long Lake series	1+

The dip is strongly to the southeast and the light gray fine grained beds of the quarry are overlain on the east by gray fossiliferous and more argillaceous beds.

An analysis, No. 186a, of a set of samples from the light gray fine grained beds gave 96.84 per cent of calcium carbonate, 2.03 per cent of magnesium carbonate and less than 1 per cent of impurities. The beds weather to a distinct buff or brown, indicative of the presence of iron. The stone was sold for sugar manufacture but apparently the percentage of magnesium is slightly too high. The low percentage of impurities make the stone suitable for blast furnace flux and for use in the chemical industries.

Legrand quarry. About three-fourths of a mile southeast of Legrand in the SE. ¼ sec. 28, T. 35 N., R. 1 W., the Campbell Stone Company opened a test quarry in a prominent ridge of limestone. The ridge extends in northwest-southeast direction and terminates on the north in a cliff or bluff, from 10 to 40 feet or more in height, along which exposures of limestone occur. The overburden at the brow of the cliff is thin but apparently it is much thicker to the south. The strata exposed in the quarry dip strongly to the south. The Legrand branch of the Detroit and Mackinac railroad passes directly in front of the quarry and affords favorable transportation facilities.

The section exposed in the quarry is identical with that at Afton, though the two places are nearly four miles apart, hence description of the beds is unnecessary. The section exposed is about 32 feet.

To the northwest the ridge is broken by a small stream but is continued in sec. 19, T. 35 N., R. 1 W. The record of a core drilling made on the SW. ¼ SE. ¼ of this section is as follows:

Core drilling Sec. 19, T. 35 N., R. 1 W.

	Thickness. feet.	Depth, - feet.
urface	9	2
ight colored limestone		7
ight colored limestone		15.6 in
		17
White coral limestone		2.1
Aght limestone	9	21
White coral limestone	2 6 in.	23 6 1
ight limestone	2	25 6 i
White coral limestone	6 in.	26
Jeht limestone		30.6 3
		32 6 1
Oark limestone		30 0 1
ight limestone	0.0.11	90
Dark rock	1	40
flue shale	8 6 in.	48 6 1
Iray shale		50 6 3

An average (Anal. No. 186) of analyses made every two feet to the depth of 30 feet 6 inches gave 94.20 per cent calcium carbonate and 3.40 per cent of silica. Other core drillings were made on SW. ¼ NE. ¼ sec. 25, T. 35 N., R. 2 W., also on NW. ¼ SW. ¼ and SW. (?)¼ SW. ¼ of sec. 13, T. 34 N., R. 2 W., and the results were very similar to those of the two records given above.

Marion Stone Co. quarry. Formerly the Marion Stone Company operated a small quarry in the S. ½ NE. ¼ sec. 7, T. 35 N., R. 1 W., on the south side of a prominent ridge of limestone extending roughly in a NW-SE direction across the section and terminating on the southwest in a steep slope toward a small branch of Pigeon river. Rock is exposed along the brow of the ridge in a number of places. The overburden in the vicinity of the quarry varies from 1 to 3 feet. A branch of the Michigan Central railroad passes close to the quarry and affords ready facilities for marketing the product.

The opening is 300 to 400 feet long and very narrow. The beds dip strongly to the southeast and unfortunately quarrying was developed nearly in the direction of the dip. This made bad drainage conditions and a very rough floor. As quarrying progressed a 6-foot black bituminous limestone was encountered which contained so much organic matter and other impurities as to be unmarketable. These adverse conditions finally caused the abandonment of the quarry.

The section exposed is as follows:

	Section in Marion Stone Co. quarry.	
		Thickness, feet.
	Surface.  Densely crystalline limestone, fossiliferous in places.  Very fossiliferous limestone with bands of very line grained limestone, showing	. 1-3
ž.	Densely crystalline limestone, fossiliferous in places	4
2.	Very jossififerous limestone with bands of very fine grained limestone, showing	
	"ribbon" structure on weathered surface	34
3.	'ribbon' structure on weathered surface.  Dense grained to crystalline limestone with abundance of corals and brachlo- node in please.	0.0
4.	Gray crystalline limestone. Light gray densely crystalline and fossiliferous limestone. Black bituminess: limestone with a second limestone.	9
E .	Light sear danaly searchitics of a super-	11
2.	bights gray densety crystatine and fossiliferous limestone.	4
ο.		
	Banker therees generally have a black carbanaceous core	
7.	Vesignillar limestone Comition due to relation Tourist A.	
	Vesicular limestone. Cavities due to solution. Lowest bed exposed in quarry	25+

According to analysis No. 187 made from a representative set of samples from the various beds with the exception of the black limestone, the average content of calcium carbonate is nearly 97 per cent. The

vesicular beds when below the water table yield large quantities of water. For this reason quarrying operations must be confined largely to the bluffs where the strata are self draining.

Limestone is exposed on numerous ridges and hills in the vicinity of Afton and Legrand and apparently there are large areas where limestone is under very favorable conditions for quarrying.

Tower. At Tower, limestone is exposed in a series of ledges in the channel of Black river, giving rise to rapids. Twelve feet of dark gray, nodular to massive, crystalline and fossiliferous limestone resembling the Long Lake series of the lower Traverse are exposed on the south side of the stream. The area of limestone under light cover is apparently small. No analyses are available.

Durrell or Mill Creek quarry. Four miles southeast' of Mackinaw City, in Private Claim No. 334, the Dundee limestone is exposed along the lower course of Mill Creek and old lake terraces rising about 80 feet above Lake Huron. The upper terrace is covered with drift from 4 to 30 feet or more in depth. Mill Creek has carved a relatively wide valley in the drift on the terrace and a very narrow one in the limestone below, thus exposing the limestone in the creek bed in narrow benches on the sides of the lower valley. Limestone is also exposed along the base of the upper terrace parallel to the lake shore.

The Cheboygan County Limestone Products Company have recently opened a small quarry near the mouth of the creek. The following section is exposed:

	Section in Durrell quarry, Mill Creek.	
	Couldn't Daniel Transfer	Thickness, feet.
	Surface clay	4-8 +
2.	Surface clay . Hard white limestone, top magnesian bed. CaCO: $82.62$ per cent, McCO:	1-2
	16.97 per cent Buff to gray bituminous crystalline limestone with some very fossiliferous	1-2
2,	(Corolline) beds and bands of black biruminous limestone, CaCO <sub>2</sub> 98.45 per cent, MgCO <sub>3</sub> 1.24 per cent. Buff to gray crystalline linestone, middle magnesian bed. MgCO <sub>3</sub> 5.98 per	12
3.	Buff to gray crystalline limestone, middle magnesian bed. MgCO <sub>1</sub> 5.98 per	3 =
	cent. Buff to gray bituminous and crystalline limestone with bituminous and fossilt-	
4.	formula bounds Coffeli 98 61 per cent. MgtAli 1.18 Der cent.	93
$\tilde{a}$ .	Buff to gray Emestone CaCO <sub>1</sub> 96 = per cent. Analyses available only from a	10
6.,	Light to dark buff bituminous and more or less friable and sugary limestone with gray crystalline spots. Locally very fossiliferous. Basal magnesian	
	with gray crystaline spots. Locally very resulted as the Dundee limestons. CaCO: 69.40 to 75.80 per cent. Thickness above lake level about.	25

The area of limestone exposed or under light cover in Mill Creek valley and on the lower terrace is relatively small. Test holes indicate that the surface of the limestone is cut by valleys and gullies hence the total area of easily accessible high calcium stone is uncertain. The thickness of the stone above the basal magnesian beds is variable, ranging from nothing to probably over 50 feet. The average is probably between 30 and 40 feet.

The beds are characteristically gray to buff in color and very bituminous. Where fresh the stone is gray and crystalline, but where weathered it has a yellow or brown sugary appearance. Locally there are dark to black bituminous streaks. Most of the beds are sparingly fossiliferous but some are a mass of fossils, cup corals predominating. Locally the rock is fractured and the cracks are filled with bright red clay apparently the result of infiltration from the red surface deposits.

Analyses have been made of a large number of samples taken from the numerous exposures along the banks of Mill Creek from drill cores and from the quarry face and these show that most of the upper 45 feet averages over 98 per cent calcium carbonate with very little silica, iron and alumina or magnesia. The exceptional purity of these beds is shown by analyses Nos. 188, 190-193, 195-211, 213-216 and 218-227z. There are, however, magnesian bands, one near the top of the quarry and one near the middle as shown by analyses Nos. 194, 212, and 217. The basal beds of the Dundee, however, contain from considerable to large percentages of magnesia as shown by analyses Nos. 189 and 228.

On account of its exceptional purity, the stone is especially adapted for general fluxing purposes and for the manufacture of Portland cement, sugar, carbide and for use in the soda ash and chemical industries. The stone in the upper crystalline bed is generally hard and is suitable for road making, concrete and ballast.

The Michigan Central railroad runs directly in front of the quarry, affording favorable shipping facilities.

Limestone is exposed at various points along the high terraces to the northwest to McGulpins Pt. west of Mackinaw City. About two miles south of Mackinaw City in sees. 29 and 30, T. 39 N., R. 3 W., low ledges of Dundee limestone are exposed in the fields. Formerly lime was burned in small kilns at a number of places. The upper beds about 10 feet thick belong to the high calcium series at Mill Creek. Test holes show, however, that the basal magnesian limestone of the Dundee occurs at very shallow depths in the vicinity of the exposures. The upper lake terrace in these sections has in most places a heavy cover of drift.

Summary. Exposures of the Traverse formation are numerous in the central part of Cheboygan county in the
form of relatively flat topped bluffs and ridges along river
valleys. The extent of the accessible limestone is
uncertain but apparently large. Test borings indicate
that shale is very subordinate in amount and that the
beds of limestone are uniformly high in calcium
carbonate. Exposures of the Dundee limestone are
small and limited to the narrow valley of Mill Creek and
to the lake terraces between McGulpins Pt. and the
mouth of Mill Creek.

## Chippewa County.

*Distribution.* Chippewa county is underlain by three limestone formations, viz.: Beekmantown (Calciferous), Trenton, and Niagara.

The Beekmantown is exposed only in the vicinity of Neebish Island, the Trenton on St. Mary's river, Carp river south of Waiska bay, and in the hills extending northwest-southeast through Ts. 45 and 46 N., R. 1 W. The Niagara is exposed over large areas on Drummond Island, in the southeastern peninsula, and along the southern margin in the western part of the county.

Beekmantown (Calciferous) formation. Ledges of Beekmantown formation are exposed on the west shore

of Neebish Island. The rock is described by Rominger\* as a hard crystalline dolomite in beds 6 to 12 inches thick divided by vertical fissures into almost rectangular blocks. Apparently it would make a durable building stone. Analysis No. 229 by Rominger indicates that it is practically a normal dolomite, though siliceous. Exposures also occur on St. Joseph and Encampment d'Ours islands on the Ontario side of the river where limestone was formerly quarried on a small scale. The exposures of the Beekmantown are of little economic importance in this county.

\*C. Rominger, Vol. I, Pt. 3, p. 76, 1869-1873, Michigan Geological Survey.

Trenton Limestone. The exposures of the Trenton limestone are all on the Canadian side of the river, on St. Joseph, Encampment d'Ours, and Sulphur Islands. About 60 feet of shales and limestones belonging to the Trenton are exposed on Encampment d'Ours island. The lower portion is largely sandy calcareous shales, the middle part is thin bedded nodular limestone with shaly streaks, and the upper part is light colored brittle limestone with a conchoidal fracture. Analysis No. 230 by Rominger\* indicates that the upper limestone though low in magnesia is siliceous. The beds exposed in the spur forming the northeast end of St. Joseph island are identical with those of Encampment d'Ours. Analysis No. 231 is from the blue middle argillaceous limestone and analysis No. 233 from the lower blue sandy portion.

\*C. Rominger, Vol. I, Pt. 3, pp. 64-68, Michigan Geological Survey.

Niagara Limestone. Exposures of all four members of the Niagara limestone, viz., the Engadine dolomite, the Manistique series, the Fiborn limestone, and the Hendricks series occur in Chippewa county. The principal exposures of the Engadine dolomite are in the northern third of T. 44 N., Rs. 4 and 5 W., the southwestern corner of T. 43 N., R. 1 E., the southern part of T. 43 N., R. 3 E., and in T. 42 N., Rs. 2, 3 and 4 E. This member caps most of the high bluffs, hence exposures of the underlying Manistique series are numerous along the basal portions of the bluffs. The most extensive exposures of the Manistique series are on Drummond Island. Exposures of the Fiborn limestone are doubtful but the Hendricks series is well exposed at Marble Head on the eastern shore of the island and also on some of the islands in St. Mary's river. The Fiborn limestone is exposed or under light cover at several places west of Trout Lake in the western part of T. 44 N., R. 6 W. Elsewhere the Fiborn limestone and Hendricks series are deeply buried under glacial drift.

## Quarries and Localities.

Marble Head, Drummond Island. This locality was not visited by the writer, hence its description must rest upon the authority of Rominger† who has described it in detail. Marble Head is a promontory at the eastern end of Drummond Island rising about 100 feet above lake level. Its sides are steep with occasional vertical cliffs. Owing to the southward inclination of the beds, lower lying beds

are brought to the surface on the north side of the hill along the shore. The following is the section as given by Rominger:

		Thickness, feet.	Depth, feet.
1.	Light colored irregularly bedded crystalline magnesian lime-		
2.	stone.  Massive light cream colored obscurely bedded coarsely crystalline dolomite, filled with casts of Pentamerous ob-	25	25
3.	longus Finer grained, more thinly and regularly bedded dolomite	15	. 40
4.	Driff Covered	10	54
5.	Dark gray highly crystaltine limestone with siliceous veins containing many fossils. Top of quarry	6	60
6.	Dull earthy light colored laminated limestone, becoming non-		
7.	fossiliferous toward the bottom.  Datk gray crystalline limestone becoming earthy toward	15	75
	bottom of quarry	8	82
8.	Dark gray bituminous dolomites of nodular and unhomo- genous structure. Seams of black carbonacoous matter		
	wind about in the rock mass.  Flaggy layers, in various shadings of color and with nodular	10	92
9.	Flaggy layers, in various shadings of color and with nodular	6	98
.0.	surface.  Ash colored fine grained acicular timestone in beds 4 to 8		90
	inches thick, some of which are full of fissure-like cavities extending in all directions. Cavities apparently once oc-		
	cupied by tabular crystals of calcite CaCO <sub>2</sub> 95 per		
	cent. (This may be the diminished representative of the	3	101
1.	Piborn limestones).  Dull earthy limestone, druse cavities filled with calc-spar or l		101
	quartz. Some of the beds quarried on a small scale, but apparently do not resist the weather very well	8	109
2.	Dark gray bituminous and nodular limestone. The nodules		
3.	are coated with a black film of bituminous shaly matter Light colored absorbent limestones, separating in thin slabs	5	114
	with uneven concholdal surface. This exposure is one-		
	fourth mile from Pirate Harbor	10	124

Beds Nos. 5 to 9 inclusive were exposed in an old quarry at Marble Head, analyses Nos. 234 to 236 by Rominger show that they approach normal dolomite. Bed No. 11, the acicular limestone below the floor of the quarry and the light colored absorbent limestones at the bottom of the section are high in calcium carbonate, as shown by analyses Nos. 237 and 238. Analyses No. 239 is from loose slabs thrown up by the water on the west side of Sitgreaves bay. These slabs are apparently from just above the Cincinnati (Hudson River) group.

Further exploration inland to the northwest along the strike of the beds might result in the discovery of important exposures of the high calcium beds.

†C. Rominger, Vol. III, pt. 3, pp. 33-36, Michigan Geological Survey.

Drummond. A double series of high terraces or bluffs occurs along the north shore of Drummond Island in the vicinity of Drummond. Limestone is exposed at several places in vertical cliffs. The upper terrace, 10 to 40 feet in height, is composed of an alternating series of buff crystalline and fossiliferous high magnesian limestone, and dense grained, thin bedded dolomite without fossils. The lower terrace, 30 to 40 feet in height, is composed of buff to gray, finely crystalline and massively bedded dolomite. Vertical fracture systems almost at right angles to each other result in natural rectangular blocks of large size. Due to this fact and to the hardness of the rock large quarries have been operated for block stone for use in constructing the earlier ship canals at the "Soo" and in building breakwaters and piers on the Great Lakes. Formerly these dolomites were used extensively in burning magnesian lime one mile east of Drummond on the lake shore. According to local residents the stone burned hard and produced a gray lime, not well suited for ordinary purposes.

The area of easily accessible natural block stone is limited to a narrow bench from a few rods to several hundred feet in width between the lake shore and the upper terrace. The area underlain by the fossiliferous

and non-fossiliferous limestones of the upper terrace is very large. Exposures are numerous at many places in the vicinity of Drummond.

The following section is exposed in the L. Seaman quarry and on the bluffs immediately back of the quarry:

Section in L. Seaman quarry, Drummond.

		THICKNESS.	
		Feet.	Inches.
	Surface	0 to 3	
1.	Surface Light grayish buff crystalline and fessiliferous magnesian lime- stone. Abundant casts of Pentamerus oblongus. Only about 4 feet of rock exposed; baxal portions of bed conceased by talus.	8+	
2.	Similar rock composed largely of easts of Pentamerus forms.  Only about 3 ft. of stone exposed; other beds may be present	9.7	
а.	between this and the next succeeding.  Similar, but fossils less numerous and the stone less crystalline.	15 =	
	Only about 5 ft, of rock exposed. Other beds may be present	15 =	
4.	Buff very dense grained and thinly bedded dolomite, resembling powerfulte and having a prominent conchoidal fracture. Much like some of the dense grained finely crystalline dolomites in the quarry below. Only upper 6 feet exposed. Other beds may be		
	present. Top of quarry. Buff to gray cherty, and massively fossiliferous delomite	25 ±	
5. 6.	Hard light gray to buff massive and crystalline dolomite.	- 3	'
	separated from No. 7 by a parting of very thin bedded dolomite.	3	
7. 8.	Hard light buff massive and crystalline dolomite similar to No. 6	4	
о.	Hard buff densely crystalline dolomite—conchoidal fracture prominent in lower part of bed	8	
9.	Dark buff crystalline dolomite with a drusy fossiliferous zone in	_	
0.	the center of the bed.  Hard light gray to buff finely crystalline banded dolomite with	3	
01	prominent bedding planes.	7	
1.	Hard bluish fine grained dolomite weathering to a pronounced blue color. Lowest bed quarried and floor of quarry is ap- parently a part of the same bed and just above lake level	2 +	

A similar section is exposed in a large quarry on Quarry Point about one mile west of the above. This quarry, like the Seaman quarry, was formerly operated for block stone. The massive crystalline beds in the lower terrace are dolomite as shown by analysis No. 240.

Old Fort Drummond. In the vicinity of Old Fort Drummond at the southwest extremity of Drummond Island there are numerous exposures of magnesian limestones belonging to the upper part of the Manistique series and probably the tops of some of the higher elevations are capped with Engadine dolomite. Large exposures of the Manistique series occur along the south shore of the island as at the head of Huron Bay and on the peninsulas between Huron Bay and Scammon's Cove.

Lime Island, St. Marys River. A few hundred feet north of the Pittsburgh Coal Co. docks on Lime Island a quarry was operated many years ago for burning lime. The stone was obtained from a narrow bench which rises 30 feet above the river level. Apparently hard rock forms part of an upper terrace rising 25 or 30 feet higher. The stone is white to buff finely crystalline normal dolomite as indicated by analysis No. 241. According to statements of local residents the stone burned hard and produced a gray slow setting lime not well suited for ordinary uses.

In digging a trench for the steam mains from the engine house to the company quarters many pieces of limestone identical in physical characteristics with the Fiborn limestone were observable in the drift. The angular uneven character of the fragments indicates the close proximity of this member and it is possible that it forms a portion of the upper terrace. The fact that the white to buff dolomites of the quarry in the lower terrace resemble those which occur beneath the Fiborn limestone in the Hendricks quarry in Mackinac County also tends to support such a possibility. No exposures, however, could be found.

Detour. Large exposures of Engadine dolomite occur in and about the village of Detour. Quarrying and transportation facilities are exceptionally favorable at this place. The dolomite is massive and coarsely crystalline and where fresh shows the peculiar bluish mottlings and streaks so characteristic of this member. Where weathered the rock is white. In the northern part of the village a small quarry was formerly operated for lime burning. The low percentage of silica, iron and alumina in analysis No. 242 made by Rominger in 1873 is characteristic of this dolomite.

Gatesville. Prominent ridges of bare limestone occur between Gatesville and Point Detour. The ridges are capped by Engadine dolomite, but the bases are formed of the upper very fossiliferous dolomite beds of the Manistique series. The high ridge of dolomite just east of Gatesville extends north almost to Raber on St. Marys River.

Rockview. Rockview is at the top of high northward facing bluffs capped with the typical bluish mottled and streaked and coarsely crystalline dolomite of the Engadine member. The fossiliferous, thin bedded dolomites of the Manistique series form the base of the bluffs and are extensively exposed. Owing to the gentle southward dip of the strata the capping of Engadine dolomite extends southward to Cedarville, Mackinac County, on the lake shore.

Sec. 8, T. 43 N., R. 2 E. Ledges of very massive coarsely crystalline dolomite with the characteristic mottling and bluish colorations of the Engadine dolomite occur here and there in this and adjacent sections. Large tracts are covered with great boulders of this dolomite Analysis No. 243 shows the characteristic purity of this stone.

Haff P. O. (Dick). At Haff a line of limestone bluffs 10 to 80 feet or more in height extends south nearly to Kenneth, Mackinac County and eastward for many miles. The tops of the bluffs generally have only a light cover of drift and tracts covered with great boulders are characteristic. The upper 40 to 50 feet of the bluffs is composed of Engadine dolomite, extremely massive, coarsely crystalline, and mottled and streaked with blue. The base is composed of the thin bedded and very fossiliferous dolomites of the Manistique series.

The area underlain by easily accessible dolomite in the vicinity of Haff and in the southern portions of T. 44 N., Rs. 4 and 5 W., is apparently several square miles. Analysis No. 246 was made from a set of samples taken from the property of L. O. Poquin at Haff and may include samples from the underlying Manistique dolomites. The content of iron and alumina indicates this. Analyses Nos. 244 and 245 are respectively from the lower and upper parts of a 50 foot exposure of Engadine dolomite three-fourths of a mile south of Haff, where the road from Trout Lake to Ozark crosses the bluffs. Both of these analyses are characteristically low in silica, iron and alumina. Owing to the low percentage of these impurities this stone is particularly adapted for

lining open hearth furnaces. Its porosity as well as purity also adapts it for use in the manufacture of paper by the sulphite process.

Sec. 19, T. 44 N., R. 6 E. About three miles west of Trout Lake in section 19 and adjoining sections, T. 44 N., R. 6 E., exposures of Fiborn limestone are reported. The writer found many boulders of lithographic limestone similar in every particular to the Fiborn limestone, but could not determine whether or not some very small ledges were actually in place. The Fiborn member occurs just across the county line to the west in Mackinac County, therefore it is probable that further search might result in the discovery of quarryable areas of this stone.

Summary. Large areas along the southern margin and in the southeastern part of Chippewa county are underlain by thick beds of exceptionally pure dolomite belonging to the Engadine member. Quarrying conditions are very favorable at many places. The stone on account of its purity is especially suitable for lining open hearth furnaces. Its purity and porous character also make it particularly adapted for paper manufacture. The supply, of this stone is practically inexhaustable.

The beds of dolomite on Drummond Island are of great extent but they are less pure than those on the mainland. Further exploration between Maxton and Marble Head may result in the discovery of considerable, or even large areas of high calcium limestone, similar to that exposed immediately north of Marble Head.

#### Delta County.

Distribution. The Trenton limestone underlies the western part of the county, the Niagara formation the eastern part and the Cincinnati group the central part. The Trenton is well exposed in a narrow belt along the Ford and Escanaba rivers and widely exposed in the valley of Rapid River. In Garden Peninsula the Niagara limestone forms a series of high bluffs or an escarpment from Garden to the southern end of the peninsula. Limestone is also exposed at many places along the low eastern shore and in the interior of the peninsula. The Cincinnati group forms the prominent bluffs on the west side of the peninsula separating Little Bay de Noc and Big Bay de Noc.

Character. The exposures of the Trenton limestone are characteristically shaly or argillaceous, usually containing from 5 to 10 per cent of silica, iron, and alumina. The upper beds are generally dolomite but the lower ones are usually low magnesian limestone. As far as known all of the exposures of the Niagara belong to the Manistique series.

Though typically shale the Cincinnati group in Delta county also contains much argillaceous limestone and very calcareous shale.

## Quarries and Localities.

John Bichler quarry, Groos. The Trenton limestone is exposed at various places along the lower course of the

Escanaba River for a distance of about six miles. About four miles north of Escanaba, in the vicinity of Groos, limestone is exposed in the river channel and forms narrow benches on either side flanked by high hills of glacial drift. For a number of years John Bichler has been operating a guarry (Pl. 8 B) on the narrow bench on the west side of the river, chiefly for crushed stone and rough building block. The quarry consists of an upper and a lower bench. The maximum depth at the time of the writer's visit was about 23 feet. The depth of the upper portion was from 4 to 11 feet. Most of the limestone is bluish, argillaceous, and crystalline with thin wavy laminae and bands of blue and black shale and thin beds of very fossiliferous limestone. Some of the limestone is very thin bedded and some massively bedded. The more massive beds are used for rough building block but most of the stone is crushed for road making, concrete and ballast. Formerly the stone was burned locally for lime but it is said to burn hard and produce an inferior product. Analyses Nos. 247 and 248 are indicative of the argillaceous and low magnesian character of the beds. Analysis No. 249 by Rominger is from the highest exposed beds near the mouth of Escanaba River and shows that these, allowing for the impurities, are practically normal dolomite. The exposure from which Rominger obtained his sample is on the east bank of the river near the power plant and apparently almost directly across from Bichler's quarry. Analysis No. 250, also by Rominger, is from the "wedgeshaped' limestones directly below the dolomites. It is probable that these "wedge-shaped" limestones of Rominger belong to the group of low magnesian limestones exposed in Bichler's quarry.

According to Rominger\* the "wedge-shaped" limestone series is underlain by very shaly and sandy dolomitic limestone containing over 20 per cent of silica. Analysis No. 251 by Rominger is from a ledge exposed in the river channel about six miles above its mouth.

The following test on the wearing quality of this stone was made by the Division of Tests, Office of Public Roads, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., to determine its qualifications as a road material:

Specific gravity	2.80
Weight per cu. ft	175.00
Water absorbed per cu. ft	0.39
Per cent of wear	3.40
French co-efficient of wear	11.60
Hardness	16.50
Toughness	12.09
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The sample was a "dolomite of average hardness, slightly above the average in resistance to wear for dolomite and with good cementing value. Suitable for use on medium traffic roads." L. W. Page, Nov. 2, 1906.

\*C. Rominger, Vol. III, Pt. III, pp. 58, 59.

Masonville. Trenton limestone is exposed one mile southwest of Masonville along Day's River for a half mile or more. Many years ago a small quarry located on the east bank of the river about 600 paces from the "Soo Line" railroad was operated for burning lime. The quarry consists of an excavation about 250 feet long, 150 feet wide and 6 feet in depth to the level of the water in the

stream adjacent. The stone is buff to gray crystalline and fossiliferous limestone. Analysis No. 252 is typical in that it shows the usual argillaceous character of the Trenton limestones. According to local residents, the lime was gray, slow setting, i. e., hydraulic, and did not keep well.

Rapid River. Exposures of the Trenton limestone are almost continuous from the village of Rapid River northward for six or seven miles along the west side of the valley of the stream of the same name. The exposures are in the form of low ridges of no particular orientation, though those having a northeast-southwest direction apparently predominate. The exposures are buff to gray, crystalline, fossiliferous low magnesian limestone with an argillaceous content characteristic of the Trenton limestone, as shown by analysis No. 253. Analysis No. 254 by Rominger is from an exposure of coarsely crystalline dolomite of the Upper Trenton above the mill pond near the mouth of Whitefish River. According to Rominger\* Whitefish River flows over ledges of similar dolomite and dolomitic limestone as far north as section 2. T. 43 N., R. 20 W. It is probable. however, that many of the more northerly exposures are low magnesian limestone rather than dolomite. The lower course of Whitefish River is largely through swamps and the exposures along the channel of the river are under very unfavorable quarrying conditions.

## \*C. Rominger, Vol. I, Pt. III, pp. 62-64.

Bark River. Trenton limestone is exposed in the vicinity of Bark River and recently a quarry has been opened to supply crushed stone for local road building. Judging from hand samples the stone is similar in every way to the Trenton as exposed elsewhere in the county.

Garden Peninsula. As previously stated the Manistique series of the Niagara formation is exposed at many places on Garden Peninsula, especially along the west shore where it forms bluffs or cliffs from 10 to over 200 feet in height. Of the three most conspicuous bluffs, the most northerly is known as Garden Bluff, the central as Middle Bluff, and the most southerly as Burnt Bluff.

Middle Bluff. At Favette the cliffs rise vertically to heights 70 to 90 feet above lake level. The upper receding portion carries the height probably to between 125 and 150 feet above the water. These cliffs are known as Middle Bluff. The old Jackson Furnace Co. was located here and used the limestone in smelting iron until the available supplies of wood were exhausted. The following section is exposed at the old quarry:

#### Section at Middle Bluff, Garden Peninsula.



Bed No. 12 is the lowest exposed at the quarry but owing to the gentle southeasterly dip of the strata beds Nos. 14 to 23 are brought above lake level at the north end of the bluff about a half mile north of the quarry.

At Fayette a reef of limestone 15 to 30 feet in height extends out into Big Bay de Noc in the shape of a fish hook, forming a small but very deep nearly landlocked harbor. The height and extent of the exposure and the presence of a natural harbor give exceptionally favorable conditions for development, but unfortunately the stone is not of the quality now demanded for general fluxing or chemical purposes. Many of the beds undoubtedly would burn easily and make very good mild lime. The finely crystalline beds, however, generally burn very hard.

Burnt Bluff. Burnt Bluff is on the lake shore about three miles southwest of Middle Bluff. This is the largest and highest of the bluffs. It rises about 235 feet above the water and extends along the shore for about two miles. In places it has a sheer face of 60 feet or more. The surface of the bluff gradually slopes southeastward in the general direction of the dip of the strata and it is only lightly covered with drift, rock ledges being exposed at numerous places in the fields.

The strata are essentially buff to gray, crystalline to densely crystalline, heavy magnesian limestones and dolomites very similar to those of Middle Bluff at Fayette. The section as given by Rominger\* is as follows:

#### Section at Burnt Bluff, Garden Peninsula

	Decision de Dievite Diago, Garden I connectad.	
1.	Siliceous (high magnesian) limestones with nodules of hornstone and many	Feet.
	silicified but poorly preserved fessils. Top of hill.	20-30
2.	Even-bedded (high magnesian) limestones. Top of the vertical cliffs	15-20
3.	Thick-bedded crystalline dolomite alternating with thin and unevenly bedded nodular limestones. Several of the layers contain silicified corals	20?
4.	cale and dolomite spar	2
5.	Thick-bedded crystalline and fossiliferous dolomites containing spherical masses of Stromatopora and lenticular masses of snow white calc spar	10 50
	This hadded delemitic limestones with smooth concheidal fracture	50

Analysis No. 254 by Rominger in 1873 was made from the lower 60 feet of Burnt Bluff and is indicative of the high magnesian character of these beds.

Near the south end of Burnt Bluff at Sac Bay bed No. 4, the cellulose, brecciated limestone 60 feet above the water at the north end of the bluff is at water level. The

nominal dip is apparently 40 to 50 feet per mile to the south-southeast hence the dip along the strike of the beds is due to local undulations, which may be observed at many places in the Niagara in the Northern Peninsula. Cliffs of similar limestone also form most of the shore of Summer island at the south end of Garden Peninsula.

\*C. Rominger. Vol. I, Pt. III, p. 47, 1869-1873.

Garden Bluff. This bluff is at the entrance to Garden Bay about four miles north of Middle Bluff. Vertical cliffs of limestone, 20 to 40 feet in height, occur along the shore for a mile or more. The exposed beds are buff to gray crystalline to densely crystalline, high magnesian limestones and dolomites very similar to those at Middle and Burnt bluffs.

Point Detour. This locality was not visited by the writer but according to Rominger† the cliffs at Point Detour are about 8 feet high and are composed of the same massive beds of crystalline dolomite which forms Seoul Choix and Epoufette points. Crystalline dolomite of the Engadine member of the Upper Niagara is typically exposed on Seoul Choix Point, therefore it should occur at Point Detour and probably at other places on the eastern shore of Garden Peninsula, if Rominger is correlation is correct.

Rominger considered the massive dolomite at Detour and Seoul Choix points as lying below the fossiliferous beds on the higher western portion of Garden Peninsula, but it is unquestionably on top of them instead of below them.

†C. Rominger, Vol. I, Pt. III, p. 46, 1869-1873.

Stonington. The bluffs in the vicinity of Stonington on the east side of Little Bay de Noc are formed of strata belonging to the Cincinnati series of shales, which at this place are very calcareous as shown by the following partial analyses made by Prof. G. A. Koenig of the Michigan College of Mines:

Analyses of beds near Stonington.

Analysis number.	Number of sample.	Per cent CaCO <sub>b</sub>	Thickness of bed in inches.
255 266 287 287 288 259	1 2 3 4 5	42.4 50.4 63.3 52.8 40.0	30
260	6 7b 8a 8b	50.8 57.3 46.0 49.6 49.6	6
865 966 967 967 968 969	Se 9 10 11 12a	$51.6 \\ 66.4 \\ 42.4 \\ 45.2 \\ 50.4$	5 spotter 5 spotter 3 6 10
70. 71. 72. 73.	12b 13 14 15a	$\begin{array}{c} 43.2 \\ 44.0 \\ 54.0 \\ 42.0 \end{array}$	6 8 13
74. 75. 76. 77.	15b 16a 16b 16c	44.0 42.0 43.6 40.0	30
78	16d 17 18 18	40.0 34.0 36.0 32.0	7 30

It is possible that these argillaceous limestones and calcareous shales may be adapted for the manufacture

of cement though the variable composition would require careful mixing in order to produce a uniform product.

Alton Postoffice. Extremely fossiliferous limestone is exposed in a bluff 70 to 80 feet in height along a small stream one and a half miles west of Alton, section 10, T. 40 N., R. 21 W. Black bituminous shale with thin and extremely fossiliferous beds of limestone is exposed in the creek bed. The soil is filled with masses of Stromatopora; a stone fence 10 to 15 feet wide and several feet high is composed chiefly of masses of fossils. These fossiliferous beds apparently belong to the Cincinnatti group. The siliceous character of the upper beds and the shaly character of the lower ones make them of little or no commercial importance.

Summary. The extensive exposures of Trenton limestone in the western part of the county are chiefly of very argillaceous low magnesian character; the upper beds in some of the exposures are argillaceous dolomite. The limestone is unsuitable for most purposes, excepting crushed stone for road making, concrete, and railway ballast.

The very large exposures of the Manistique series of the Niagara formation are all heavily magnesian limestones and dolomites. Some of the beds burn easily and make very good mild lime. Other beds are burned with difficulty. As a whole the beds are more impure than those of the overlying Engadine dolomite, hence are less satisfactory for paper manufacture, or for use as a basic lining in open hearth furnaces. Their generally hard and resistent character make them suitable for road metal, concrete, and railroad ballast. In brief, the limestone resources of Delta county, though of great extent, are unimportant as compared with Schoolcraft and Mackinac counties.

## Eaton County.

Distribution. The Bayport limestone occupies a narrow belt along the west side of Eaton county but it is exposed only at Bellevue. The area of limestone under light drift cover is probably not above 200 acres. It lies along the south side of Battle Creek just southwest of the village. The exposures are in the form of low bluffs, but limestone is said to occur beneath the low level bench along the creek. The limestone is relatively thin and in many places it has been completely removed by erosion.

#### Quarries.

Bellevue. At a very early date small quarries were opened for burning lime at Bellevue. Due to the exhaustion of wood fuel these were abandoned many years ago. At present the Burt Portland Cement Co. is operating a quarry and using the limestone and underlying shale in the manufacture of cement. The following is a more or less generalized section by Rominger\* of the beds as formerly exposed in the old quarries now more or less filled with debris:

#### Section in old quarries at Bellevue.

Thickness

		feet.
1.	Light colored thin-bedded limestone. (Present only on the highest rock	1000.
0.	elevations).  Brown ferruginous delemite either in continuous layers wedging out at both	
	ends or in seams of irregular shaped septaria surrounded by calcareous	
	shale. (Present only on the higher rock elevations)	1
3.	Light colored (high calcium) limestones with smooth, conchoidal fracture in	
	beds of variable thickness	3-4
4.	Brown ferruginous dolomite (MgCO <sub>b</sub> , 23 per cent) with a dull earthy fracture.	2
ā.	Light colored limestone (CaCO <sub>2</sub> , 96 per cent) with a smooth concholdal	
	fracture in beds of variable thickness, interiaminated with concretionary seams of limestone (chert or flint); fossils not generally abundant, but cer-	
	tain seams are crowded with them over widely extended areas	8-10
6.	Greenish white calcareous sandstone (SiO <sub>2</sub> , 69 per cent; CaCO <sub>2</sub> , 30 per cent)	8-10
-0.	grading upward into pure limestone but with occasional thin seams of	
	quartz sand. Locally this strata is brecciated. (Disconformity between	
	the Baymert and the Michigan series below	

The section exposed in the Burt Portland Cement Co. quarry is as follows:

Section in the Burt Portland Cement Co. quarry, Bellevue.

		Thickness, feet.
100	Surface	2-3
1.	White, light gray, and yellowish gray high calcium (CaCO <sub>5</sub> , 94.78 per cent) limestone with a smooth concholdal fracture and containing pockets and	
	seams of yellow ferruginous sand and red clay. In one part of the quarry this bed contains a thin lens of gray sandstone.	12
2.	Blue and green argillaceous (AlgO <sub>1</sub> , 4.04 per cent) limestone of variable thick-	
3.	ness and with a breccia of limestone and sandstone. This represents the disconformity between the Bayport limestone and the Michigan Series Soft greenish blue calcareous (CaO, 13.45 per cent) shale or clay	$\frac{1-4}{2}+$

The limestone and shale are blasted down together, and loaded by steam shovel into tram cars which are hauled by steam power to the crushers. The occurrence of the shale and limestone together is a great advantage in the manufacture of cement. A part of the necessary mixing of the shale and limestone is done in the quarry; about ten parts of the upper white limestone is taken to one of the blue shale and argillaceous limestone beneath.

Analysis No. 282, made from a representative set of samples from the high calcium bed in the Burt quarry, and also analyses Nos. 283 to 286 are indicative of its average composition. Analysis No. 287 by Rominger is of the brown, ferruginous, magnesian limestone locally present in the vicinity of Bellevue.

Most of the area of quarryable limestone in the vicinity of Bellevue is owned by the Burt Portland Cement Co., but A. J. Zipp of Bay Shore has a deposit about a mile southwest of Bellevue on the south side of the Grand Trunk railroad. Formerly, a quarry was operated "n this deposit for burning lime and plans are reported to be under way to reopen the quarry for crushed stone products and for ground limestone for agricultural purposes. The hardness and general purity of the limestone makes it very suitable- for such purposes. Quarrying conditions and shipping facilities are favorable.

## \*C. Rominger, Vol. III, Pt. I, pp. 112-114.

Summary. The limestone deposits of Eaton county though of insignificant size in comparison with those of other counties in the northern part of the state are of very considerable economic importance on account of their high calcium character and the absence of other deposits of commercial size and similar grade in central and western Michigan.

## Emmet County.

Distribution. The Dundee limestone underlies the extreme northern part of the county but, so far as the writer is aware, it is not exposed. The Traverse formation occupies the remainder of the county with the

exception of a narrow belt across the western part underlain by the Antrim black shale. The Traverse limestone is exposed in a double line of bluffs or lake terraces on the south side of Little Traverse Bay from Kegomic westward into Charlevoix county. The principal exposures are along the lower bluff close to the water's edge. This bluff apparently averages between 40 and 50 feet in height. The upper terrace is of similar height but in places, owing to the uneven surface of both the rock and the glacial deposits, it is considerably higher. Due to surface deposits there are but few exposures along the upper bluff.

#### Quarries and Localities.

Kegomic. Formerly a quarry was operated at Kegomic in the SE. ½ SW. ½ section 27, T. 35 N., R. 5 W. The writer did not visit this quarry but the following is a section from a description and a set of samples furnished by Mr. W. E. Smith of Cadillac, Michigan:

	Thickness, feet.	Inches.
Dark gray crystalline and argillaceous limestone.  "Rottlen" shale.  Dark bituminous crystalline and very fossiliferous (brachiopods)  limestone.  Buff and gray coarsely crystalline limestone.  Gray and huff very fossiliferous coarsely crystalline (brachiopods)  limestone.	2 2 0 2 2 + 2 +	6 10

Petoskey. At Petoskey the lower terrace is between 40 and 50 feet in height and varies in width from a few hundred feet to a quarter of a mile or more. The upper terrace is nearly as high but, owing to the irregular surface of the glacial drift at the top, it is much more variable in height.

Northern Lime Co. quarries. In the eastern part of the city the Northern Lime Co. operate three closely connected quarries in the lower terrace close to the lake shore for burning lime. Only a narrow strip is available for quarrying, due to the encroachment of buildings. The following is a section of Quarry C located farthest west:

Section in Quarry C.

	Thickness, feet.
"sandy" magnesian limestone. Not used. sarthy magnesian limestone. Burns black; not usable e magnesian limestone. Usable but not of very good quality. Ilmestone with bands and mottlings of lithographic limestone, westly magnetalike but becoming less magnesian toward the	4-6 6 24 3
fgCO <sub>5</sub> , 16.30 per cent) frishle and extremely coralline limestone. Floor of quarry ''magnesia'' stone.	22 1 1
y light gray lithographic to dense grained high calcium limestone 16,36 per cent) with bituminous streaks. Smells strongly of then struck with the hammer. Thickness to lake level	. 8

In Quarry B, only about 250 paces east of C, the section is considerably different.

	Section in Quarry B.	
		Thickness, feet.
	Surface.  Mass of white Stromatopora and coral in a matrix of buff friable sugary mag-	3-6+
1.	nesian limestone. Burned for common lime. (MgCO <sub>2</sub> , 36.41 per cont)	15-20
2.	Buff semi-crystalline limestone with dark crystalline streaks	5
3.	Dark, brittle and laminated limestone. Breaks up into a fine mass when	2
4.	blasted Bluish dense grained limestone. Very good quality.	. 3
5.	"Sandy" limestone. Poor quality.	3
6.	"Sandy" limestone. Poor quality.  Densely crystalline to earthy limestone. Burned for chemical lime (CaCO <sub>1</sub> , 94.78 per cent).	7 -
7.	94.78 per cent). Laminated limestone with dark bituminous streaks.	3
8.	Buff, soft, and very porous coralline limestone. Too soft for lime; left for	

Quarry A, a short distance farther east, was not in operation but the beds are more or less similar in character and composition to. those of quarry B.

The beds in the upper part of all three quarries are more or less completely dolomitized, but in general the magnesia decreases downward though not regularly. The beds near lake level are very pure high calcium limestone. This is illustrated by the following partial analyses of the stone in Quarry C from the top downward:

 $Quarry\ C.$  Analysis of beds from top down.

Number analysis.	Number of bed.	CaCO <sub>3</sub> .	CaO.	MgCO <sub>4</sub> .	MgO.
55. 59.	1 2	69.04 66.88	38.66 37.45	30.85 32.23	14.75 15.4
90	3 4	92.36 89.50	51.72	6.92 8.05	3.3
(2	5	90.96 89.04	50.94	5.65	2.7
K3	7	97.36	54.52	9.47	4.5

A. H. Koch, Michigan College of Mines, Sept. 20, 1913.

The same general decrease downward is also shown by analyses Nos. 295 to 197. In Quarry B, however, the magnesia increases slightly nearly to the bottom of the quarry where it suddenly drops to less than 2 per cent.

 $Quarry\ B.$  Analysis of beds at east end of quarry from top down

Number analy	sis.	Number of bed.	CaCO <sub>2</sub> .	CaO.	MgCO <sub>1</sub> .	MgO.
298		1	89.00 88.04	49.84	8.93	4.27 5.05
299 300 301		3 1	87.64 84.82	49.30 49.08 47.50	10.56 10.50 13.24	5.02 6.33
802		- 5	94.57	52.96	8.99	1.91

Analysis No. 303 was made from a representative set of samples from the lower 22 feet (bed No. 4) of gray earthy limestone in Quarry C. This analysis and also Nos. 293 to 297 show the magnesian character of the stone in the lower part of the quarry and also the low content of siliceous and argillaceous impurities. Analysis No. 304 is from the high calcium lithographic beds exposed in a test pit in the bottom of Quarry C. These beds are very pure but are not used for lime on account of their tendency to "pop" or break to pieces in the kiln, thus clogging the draft. Analysis No. 305 made from samples from all of the beds in Quarry B except No. 5 gave 16.30 per cent of magnesian carbonate. Analysis No. 306 shows the high calcium character of bed No. 7. which is sorted out for burning chemical lime. The top coralline and stromatoporoid bed, according to analysis No. 307, is a high magnesian limestone. The analyses in general indicate that the composition of the beds is variable horizontally as well as vertically. Analysis No. 308 is apparently from the dark lithographic beds near lake level, No. 309 from the upper beds of the quarry, and No. 310 from the lower beds. Owing to the variable character and composition of the beds hand sorting is necessary. The company burns a large amount of both commercial and chemical lime, and also grind limestone for agricultural purposes. Owing to the soft friable character of the stone it is unsuitable for crushed stone purposes.

Antrim Lime Co. quarry. The quarry of the Antrim Lime Co. is the only one operating in the upper terrace in the

vicinity of Petoskey. The floor of the quarry is said to be 85 feet above lake level, or about 40 feet above the highest beds exposed in the lower bluff. Since the section in the quarry has a maximum thickness of about 25 feet, the top of the highest exposed ledge in the vicinity of Petoskey is apparently about 110 feet above lake level. The overburden, largely of sand, Is becoming very thick, averaging from 8 to 10 feet or more and the area of easily quarry able stone is apparently small. It is owing chiefly to the high average purity of much of the stone and its easy burning qualities that profitable operation is possible. The following section is exposed in the quarry:

Section in Antrim Lime Co. quary.

		feet.	
1.	Sand and gravel.  More or less broken ledges of light buff or white sugary limestone. Parting of shale at the base.	8	+
2.	shale at the base.  White earthy and very brittle limestone. Parting of black bituminous and lawforced shale very lawforce.	. 3	3
3	laminated shale at the base.  White earthy limestone with darker laminations toward the base.	9	4
4.		î	_
6.	Buff dense grained limestone. Bottom had quarried	1	3
7.	Dark buff limestone with numerous fine dark bituminous bands. Floor of quarry		_
			-

Thickness

The upper 12 feet of white earthy limestone contains (Anal. No. 311) over 97 per cent of calcium carbonate but the lower 12 feet of white and buff limestone contains (Anal. No. 212) over 11 per cent of magnesium carbonate, and is similar to the buff sugary limestones in the upper part of the lower bluff.

By a comparison of the sections in the different quarries it appears that in the vicinity of Petoskey there are an upper high calcium horizon as exposed in the Antrim Lime Co. quarry, a middle very thick (75 feet) magnesian horizon, and a lower darker colored high calcium one extending from just above lake level to an unknown depth below. These horizons appear to extend westward into Charlevoix County. The differences in the character of the stone in the different quarries in the lower bluff westward from Petoskey apparently is due largely to undulations along the strike of the beds. At one point the lower darker high calcium beds are elevated above lake level, forming the lower bluff, but at another they are depressed, bringing the upper yellow or buff magnesian horizon down to or even below lake level.

Petoskey Crushed Stone Co. guarry. There are numerous guarries along the lake shore westward from Petoskey but all are idle or abandoned except that of the Petoskey Crushed Stone Co., located about four miles west of Petoskey (S. E. 1/4 Sec. 2, T. 35 N., R. 6 W.) This company has opened a large quarry (Pl. III B) in the lower terrace which at this point is a quarter of a mile in width. Most of the limestone is hard, crystalline, and high calcium in contrast to that in the Petoskey quarries. As a consequence it is largely disposed of for Portland cement, flux, road metal, concrete, ballast, etc., for which it is said to be very suitable. The uniformity in the character of the beds permits the use of steam shovels and locomotives in handling the guarry product. There are two quarries separated by the Pere Marquette railroad, but only one is operated. In the larger northern

quarry about 10 acres of stone had been quarried at the time of the writer's visit, to depths varying from 8 to 25 feet. A second bench had been started on the east side of the quarry at practically lake level. The maximum height of the two benches was about 40 feet.

The area of stone under light overburden in the-vicinity of the quarry, though of uncertain extent, is considerable. On the west, however, the stone is cut out by a drift filled ravine.

The following is a more or less generalized section of the stone exposed near the east end of the quarry:

Section at east end of Petoskey Crushed Stone Co. quarry.

		feet.
I.	Surface.  Coralline and Stromatoporoid limestone with a buff crystalline matrix	0-3 6 2
3.	Hard tough gray crystalline high calcium limestone.  Dark lithographic high calcium limestone adapted for sugar manufacture.	2
4.	Hard tough gray crystalline high calcium limestone. Said to average above 90 per cent calcium carbonate. Lower ledges concealed by a heavy blast of	a –
	atone	25 十

Analysis No. 313, from the upper 12 feet gave 93 per cent calcium carbonate and nearly 5 per cent of magnesium carbonate. The lower beds were concealed and representative samples could not be obtained.

W. E. Smith quarry. Immediately on the west of the property of the Petoskey Crushed Stone Co. in sections 9 and 10, T. 34 N., R. 6 W., W. E. Smith, et. al., own about 210 acres of limestone land of which about 150 acres is under light overburden. The property lies chiefly on the lower terrace which has a maximum width of about a third of a mile. At the edge of the terrace near the lake the rock surface is from about 15 to 35 feet above lake level, but it gradually rises away from the lake until at the base of the upper terrace it is from 65 to 75 feet above the lake.

Near the west end of the property the Petoskey Stone & Lime Co formerly operated a small quarry and lime kiln. The section exposed is as follows:

Section in W. E. Smith, et. al., quarry.

		Thickness, feet.	Inches,
	Surface The quarry is located along a narrow high ridge of sand and gravel.	0-10	
1.	Broken ledge of light buff gray magnesian (MgCO <sub>0</sub> , 14.38 per cent) limestone Buff to dark buff gray crystalline limestone. Fossiliferous shale seare of the base	3-4	
3.	Buff to dark buff gray creatalling limestons. Black shale	4	
4. 5.	Black and extremely fossiliferous shale filled with brackiopeds.  Dark gray finely crystalline limestone	2 0 2	
6. 7. 8.	Dark Dituminous and fossipherous shale.  Dark lithographic to finely crystalline limestone.  Dark gray densely crystalline limestone with many large	0 3 ±	
9.	heads of Stromatopora and corals. Owing to the fossil masses the contact between No. 7 and No. 8 is very wary Dark lithographic and very british high calcium limestone Crystalline to dense grained fossiliterous (coral, brachlopods)	3 m	
10. 11.	Dark lithographic britile high calcium limestone. The base	1-	
2.	of the bed is concealed. Average analyses of beds Nos. 2, 3, 5, 7-11 inclusive gave 93.96 per cent CaCO <sub>2</sub> . Gray earthy to crystalline thin bedded magnesian (MgCO <sub>2</sub> ,		
13.	14.84 per cent) limestone.  Fine grained earthy magnesian (MgCO <sub>5</sub> , 14.84 per cent) limestone. Exposed at the foot of the trestle.	1 3	
4,	Next lower beds coiceased by talus but at a little distance lakeward from the quarry dark lithographic and dark gray crystalline limestones are exposed in low ledges just above lake level.	7.	

Beds Nos. 1, 12, and 13 contain (Anal. Nos. 314 and 316) between 14 and 15 per cent of magnesium carbonate, but beds Nos. 2, 3, 5, 7-11 inclusive contain (Anal. No. 315) nearly 94 per cent of magnesium carbonate.

Similar beds are exposed along a dry run a short distance to the southeast and also in a test pit 6 feet deep on the east end of the property as shown by the following section:

Section in Test Pit near S. 1 post of sec. 3, T. 35 N., R. 6 W.

		Thickness, feet,
	Surface	2
1.	Surface.  Dark lithographic high calcium limestone with corals and brachlopeds in lower.	
	EXACL. I has shale spain at base of the bed	2
2.	Hard light gray dense grained limestone.  Dark crystalline and fossiliferous (corals and brachiopods) limestone. Bettom	2
з.	Dark crystalline and fossiliferous (corals and brachiopods) limestone. Bottom	
	of pit filled with rubble	1+

An analysis (No. 317) of a composite of samples taken about one foot apart in the test pit gave nearly 95 per cent of calcium carbonate and only about 2 per cent of magnesium carbonate.

It is to be noted that none of the white and buff sugary limestones quarried at Petoskey appear to be present on this property or in the quarry of the Petoskey Crushed Stone Co., and that the dark lithographic and gray crystalline beds are similar to those exposed near lake level in the test pit in the bottom of Quarry C of the Northern Lime Co. at Petoskey. Westward from Petoskey, due to an undulation, this series is brought above lake level and forms all of the lower terrace for a considerable distance in sections 1, 2, and 10, T. 34 N., R. 6 W.

The W. E. Smith property apparently contains the largest area of easily quarryable limestone in the vicinity of Petoskey. From lake level to bed No. 1 in the old quarry the stone is chiefly high calcium. Higher beds are exposed in a gulley southeast of the quarry and they are similar in general appearance and probably in composition to the lower beds. The highest beds, probably 25 to 30 feet in thickness, occur in front of the upper terrace but are not exposed and little is known of their physical or chemical characteristics.

Bell quarry. About one-half mile west of the W. E. Smith property (N. ½ N. ½ sec. 9, T. 34 N., R. 6 W.) there is an old quarry and kiln, known locally as the Bell quarry and formerly operated by the Elk Cement & Lime Co. It fronts directly on Little Traverse Bay and is composed of an upper and a lower portion. The working face in the upper is about 25 feet and the lower about 20 feet. The section is as follows:

	Section in Bell quarry.	
	• •	Thickness,
	Surface	feet.
1.	Dense evalued gray limestone.	1-3+
9.	Dense grained gray limestone.  Weathered blue and very fossiliferous shale containing an abundance of	9
-	brachlopeds and crystals of gypsum. Talus concealed the lower portion	
	of the shale but its thickness is said to be about	6
3.	Dark gray to buff gray crystalline to dense grained fossiliferous limestone	
	with cup corals and heads of Stromatopora and Acervularia and other	
	corais. Bottom of bed concealed by talus. Floor of upper cuarry	13 ±
4.	Dark gray dense grained to finely crystalline and fossiliferous limestone, con-	2.0
	taining cup corals, heads of Acervularia, and brachiopods	2
5.	1247k built gray lithographic limestone containing disseminated coloite evertely	_
	and with heads of Acervularia and Stromatopora at the bottom.	2
6.	Dense grained buff dark gray limestone with mottlings and with a black bi-	
7.	tuminous fossiliferous phase at the top and a shale parting at the bottom.	49
4.	Dark bituminous and lithographic limestone with a few corals. Black bi-	_
8.	tuminous shale parting at the bottom.  Dark bituminous lithographic limestone with a black bituminous shale part-	8
	ing at the bottom	
9.	ing at the bottom. Light gray lithographic limestone with a very thin shale parting at the bottom	
10.	Gray to buff dense grained to crystalline and fossiliferous (brachlopeds) lime-	1
	stone with a lithographic texture and a thin shale parting at the base	9
11.	Gray to buff limestone, lithographic near the top and crystalline and fossili-	-
	rerous near the bottom. Bottom of the exposed portion of this bed is	
	practically at lake level.	3 +
		- 1

No analyses of the stone in this quarry are available but according to persons acquainted with the quarry most of the stone is high calcium, especially the lithographic stone of the lower bench. The dark gray crystalline or lithographic character of the beds indicates that they are to be correlated with similar beds occurring near water level at Petoskey. Toward the west, however, the strata descend so that at Bay Shore, Charlevoix county, about two miles distant, the upper buff to yellow, friable limestone of the Petoskey section extends below the level of the bay. The last exposure of the dark lithographic beds according to Rominger's description is apparently about one mile east of Bay Shore and consists of two ledges extending from water level to 6 or 8 feet above. The stone as analyzed (Anal. No. 174) by him contains 98 per cent of calcium carbonate.

Summary. The limestone resources of Emmet county are of relatively small extent, being confined chiefly to narrow terraces along the shore of Little Traverse Bay. The total thickness of the section exposed along the lake shore is apparently about 135 feet.

The upper white earthy limestones 15 to 20 feet in thickness are high calcium, the middle buff to gray sugary limestones about 75 feet in thickness range in composition from low to high magnesian, and the lower dark crystalline to lithographic limestones 40 feet or more in thickness are largely high calcium. In the vicinity of Petoskey, the middle magnesian portion forms all of the lower and the base of the upper terrace. Westward the dark crystalline and lithographic beds exposed near the level of the bay at Petoskey, gradually rise and, four or five miles west of the city, form most of the lower terrace. Farther west they descend until at Bay Shore they are below lake level. The three different horizons and the undulations of the beds along the lake shore are very vital factors in determining the commercial possibilities of deposits in Emmet county.

### Huron County.

Distribution. The Bayport limestone forms several relatively small areas in the western part of Huron county and is exposed or near the surface in two oval shaped areas (fig. 13) southeast of Bayport and on some of the islands in Saginaw Bay. One of the ovals extends southeast from Bayport for about three miles into the eastern part of section 5, T. 16 N., R. 10 E. The other extends from the southeastern part of section 8 southeast into the northwestern part of sec. 15, T. 16 N., R. 10 E., a distance of about two miles. The ovals, especially the larger, are marked on the northeast side by a prominent ridge and low bluffs.

## Quarries and Localities.

Bayport quarry. This quarry (Pl. IV A) though commonly referred to as the Bayport quarry, is located about three miles southeast of Bayport in section 5, T. 16 N., R. 10 E., and near the southeast end of the larger oval. It is a large quarry operated by the Wallace Stone Co. chiefly for crushed stone, the general hardness and toughness of the stone adapting it for road metal, concrete and ballast. The quarry, which has been in operation for over thirty years, consists of two openings, 8 to 12 feet in depth and with a combined area of over 80 acres. This,

however, is only a small fraction of the area of easily quarryable stone remaining. The section below was exposed in the quarry:

	Section in Bayport quarry.	
		Thickness, feet.
1.	Surface. Thin bedded fessiliferous limestone. Locally weathered to a soft yellowish mass at the top. Hard and sandy near the bottom. Mass of corals in lower	1-2
2.	part of bed. Hard gray dense grained magnesian limestone with a thin sandy layer near the	3
3.	bottom. Upper and lower part suitable for line but hand sorting is neces- sary. Chert nodules numerous in upper portion of the bed. Hard gray dense grained to crystalline sandy and magnesian limestone.	3 1
٥.	Samples apparently from No. 2 and No. 3 together gave 14.5 per cent MgCO <sub>8</sub>	. 3
4.	and 20.85 per cent SiOs.  Back bituminous and shaly limestone locally called "Black shale".  Dark gray lithographic limestone with a smooth concholdal fracture. Former-	3
-	ly used for building stone	1

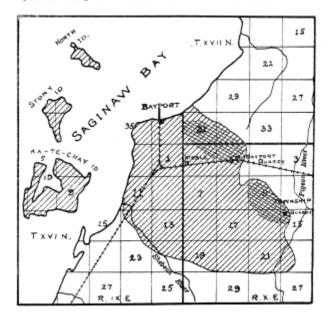


Figure 13. Map showing distribution of the Bayport limestone in the vicinity of Bayport, Huron County. Double hachured areas indicate thinly drift covered areas.

Formerly there was an upper high calcium layer which was burned for lime but this bed, according to Mr. R. N. Wallace, manager of the Wallace Stone Co., has disappeared with the progress of quarrying. Most of the lower beds are sandy or cherty and magnesian and this unfits them for lime burning or for fluxing and chemical purposes. Except where locally weathered at the surface the stone is hard and, being situated in the broad flat belt of lake clays of eastern Michigan, almost wholly lacking in suitable road or concrete materials, it is used extensively for road building and concrete. The section below the floor of the quarry is composed largely of very sandy limestones and calcareous sandstones.

An analysis, (No. 318) from the upper high calcium bed formerly present, gave over 91.5 per cent of calcium carbonate and shows that it was similar in composition to the Bayport limestone in Arenac (see analyses Nos. 141-144) county on the western side of Saginaw Bay. Analysis No. 319 is indicative of the sandy and magnesian character of the lower beds.

The following tests were made by the Office of Public Roads, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.:

Number of test.	Rock.	Weight Ibs. per cu. ft.	Absorp- tion lbs. per cu. ft.	Per cent of wear.	French coeffi- cient of wear.	Hard- ness.	Tough- ness.	Cement- ing value.
1287 1288	Limestone Dolomitic limestone	165 165	1.34	2.7	14.8	. 15.1	12	49
4063	Limestone	165	1.60	3.3	12.0	15.8 15.4	11	50 48

A test\* made at the Water Town Arsenal by Capt. Butler gave a crushing strength of 26 110 lbs. This is very high for limestone. The specimen tested was 2.61 inches thick with a compression surface of 29.65 square inches.

A quarry has been opened near the southeast end of the smaller oval in the N. W. ¼ sec. 15, T. 16 N., R. 10 E., Windsor Township, for road material. At the time of the writer's visit the quarry was about 150 feet in length and 8 to 10 feet in depth. The area of stone under light cover is apparently two to three hundred acres. The beds exposed were very similar to those of the Wallace or Bayport quarry as may be seen from the following section:

	Surfa	feet.
1.	Surface. Hard grayish buff fine grained limestone with numerous cup corals at top and botton.	1-2 +
	bottom.	
2.	Hard grayish buff dense grained to finely crystalline limestone with some chert	4
_		9
а.	Black bituminous shaly limestone "Black shell"	0.6 in.
4.	Black bituminous shaly limestone 'Black shell' Hard light gray dense grained to finely crystalline limestone with many small	0.0 m.
	crystals of pyrite	9

## \*A. C. Lane, Geology of Huron County, Vol. VII, Pt. II, 1900, p. 215.

Charity Islands. The Bayport limestone is exposed on Charity Islands, North, and Stony (or Heistermann) islands and according to Winchell's\*, Rominger's†, and Lane's‡ descriptions the exposures are in the form of low ledges near the water level and the beds, characteristic of the Bayport, are sandy or cherty or are replaced by sandstone. On North Island a small quarry was formerly operated many years ago. The beds are cherty and very fossiliferous.

\*A. Winchell, First Biennial Report, 1860, p. 102.

†C. Rominger, Vol. III, 1873-1876, p. 119.

‡A. C. Lane, Vol. VII, Pt. II, 1900, p. 105.

Summary. The limestone resources of Huron county are confined largely to a ridge extending southeast from Bayport for five or six miles. Quarrying conditions are most favorable in the oval areas, one at the northeast end of the ridge and the other at the southeast end. The thickness of the commercial stone is small, being generally from 8 to 16 feet. Most of the stone is hard, siliceous, and magnesian and is chiefly adapted for road making, concrete, and railroad ballast. Owing to their location in a region largely devoid of other suitable material for such purposes, the deposits are of large local importance.

#### Jackson County.

Distribution. The Bayport limestone is present largely as a capping on the tops of pre-Coal Measure hills. The deposits are generally very thin and small. The coal deposits more or less completely fill up the valleys between the hills and lap upon the edges of the Bayport

limestone. During the Pleistocene, portions of the hills were dislodged, carried away by the ice, and buried in the glacial debris. According to Rominger§ there are many of these large masses of Bayport limestone, with attached portions of the underlying shaly Michigan series, more or less completely buried in the drift in Jackson county. These masses simulate exposures of the rock in place but generally the uptilted position of the beds betray their character.

As in Arenac, Eaton, and Huron counties, the Bayport limestone is generally cherty, sandy, or magnesian and the proportion of high calcium stone in the formation is small.

§C. Rominger, Vol. III, Pt. I, 1873-1876, p. 114.

#### Quarries and Localities.

Formerly many small quarries were operated in Jackson county for burning lime but these, due to the exhaustion of suitable wood or to the siliceous character of the beds, have been abandoned for many years. Some of the quarries are being reopened for road material.

Parma. About a mile northeast of Parma in sections 29 and 30, T. 2 S., R. 3 W., the Bayport limestone\* underlies an area of probably about 300 acres. Several quarries were once operated in this deposit. The upper bed† is a brown ferruginous dolomite and the lower a dark, bluish, high calcium limestone full of sparry and siliceous veins. The upper bed contains (Anal. No. 320) about 18 per cent of iron and alumina and 11 per cent of magnesium carbonate, the lower bed from nearly 3 to 14 per cent of silica (Anal. Nos. 321-2).

South of Parma in Spring Arbor township (T. 3 S., R. 2 W.) there are many small exposures of Bayport limestone. A quarry was operated in section 17 in the early 30's for burning lime. The upper bed in the old quarry, as at Parma and Bellevue, is a brown ferruginous magnesian limestone. The lower bed 8 to 10 feet in thickness is high calcium limestone. Analysis No. 323 is from a small exposure of high calcium limestone along the road in section 11 or 12 of this township. Analysis No. 324 is from a small exposure of dolomite, probably the upper bed, on the road between sections 24 and 25. Analysis No. 325 is of another small exposure of high calcium limestone, the location of which is given by Rominger as "three miles south of Jackson on Mr. Shoemaker's farm." At this place the high calcium bed is overlain by 4 or 5 feet of brown ferruginous dolomite. All of the above exposures are directly underlain by green sandy shales and sandstones of the Michigan series. Analysis No. 326 is from a mass of drift limestone in a railroad cut about 3 miles south of Jackson on the Cincinnatti and Northern Railroad.

\*C. Rominger, Vol. III, Pt. I, 1873-1876, pp. 114, 115.

†C. Rominger, Vol. III, Pt. I, 1873-1876, pp. 114, 115.

Portage River. A prominent east and west ridge of Bayport limestone occurs about four miles north of Jackson on the north side of Portage River in sections 1

and 2, T. 2 S., R. 1 W., and section 6, T. 1 S., R. 1 E. The limestone forms a more or less continuous capping along the top of the ridge for more than a mile. Several small quarries were formerly operated in this ridge. On the east side of section 2, T. 2 S., R. 1 W., an old quarry has been reopened for road material. The upper four or five feet in the quarry is a light gray dense grained high calcium limestone. This is underlain by a conglomerate of limestone and sandstone pebbles and boulders in a matrix of green sandy shale. This undoubtedly represents the disconformable contact between the Bayport limestone and the Michigan series. From 8 to 10 feet of light gray, dense grained, high calcium limestone similar to that at Bellevue, Eaton County, is exposed in an old quarry in the SE. 1/4 SW. 1/4 section 1, T. 2 S., R. 1 W., five to six feet in another quarry in the NE. ¼ SE. ¼ of the same section, and about seven feet in a third quarry in the NW. 1/4 SW. 1/4 section 6, T. 2 S., R. 1 E. This limestone contains (Anal. Nos. 327-332) from about 92 to 97 per cent of calcium carbonate, 1.25 to 2.80 of silica and but very little magnesium carbonate.

Summary. Jackson county contains numerous small areas of Bayport limestone which generally caps hills and ridges. The high calcium beds are thin, more or less sandy and cherty, and are associated with ferruginous dolomite or sandy green shale. The resources are of little economic value except as a source of road material, concrete, etc., for local use.

#### Kent County.

Distribution. The Bayport limestone and the Michigan series underlie a large portion of Kent county but the formations are deeply buried under glacial drift except along the valley of Grand River from Grand Rapids to Grandville. Formerly the Bayport limestone was exposed along the river banks in Grand Rapids but now most of the exposures are concealed by dams and buildings.

## Luce County.

Distribution. The Trenton limestone, the Beekmantown (Calciferous), and the Niagara formations occupy parallel belts across the southern part of Luce county. Exposures of the first two are few and unimportant. The Niagara is exposed along a high bluff extending through the extreme southern part of the county in section 31, T. 45 N., R. 8 W., and section 36, T. 45 N., R. 9 W.

D. N. McLeod Lumber Co. quarry. At the time of the writer's visit (1913) a railroad spur along the base of the bluff was under construction preliminary to the opening of a quarry. The bluff, apparently 80 to 100 feet in height, is about a half mile north of Hendricks quarry and is composed of similar beds. (See Hendricks quarry, Mackinac county). The upper portion of the bluff is formed by the Fiborn limestone, which on the weathered surfaces shows the presence of pumerous fossils. The lower part of the bluff is largely concealed by talus but the beds belong to the Hendricks series.

A number of core drillings were made by the Union Carbide Co. of Sault Ste. Marie in section 36, T. 45 N., R. 9 W., and also in the sections adjoining on the south. The analyses of the core from the deepest hole in section 36 is given below:

Test Hole North of Hendrick's Quarry.

Analysis of Drill Core SE, 1 sec. 36, T. 45 N., R. 9 W., Luce County. Analysis furnished by Joseph Scales, Supt. Union Carbide Co., Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

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Analysis No.	Sample No.	Thickness,	Depth, feet.	Silica. SiO <sub>2</sub> .	Iron- Alumina. FegO <sub>2</sub> -Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> .	Calcium carbonate. CaCO <sub>b</sub> .	Calcium oxide. CaO.	Magnesium earbonate. MgCO <sub>2</sub> .	Magnesium oxide. MgO.	Carbon de-oxide and water. CO <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O.	Remarks.
334 335 336 337 338	1 2 3 4 5	1'- 8' 6'- 0' 2'-10' 4'- 3' 2'- 0'	5'- 8' 11'- 8' 14'- 6' 18'- 9' 20'- 9'	1.51 1.96 0.78 0.52 1.14	0.25 0.23 0.19 0.35 0.32	93.07 94.71 96.84 95.84 96.78	52.08 53.08 54.27 53.77 54.21	1.40 1.55 1.83 1.84 1.44	0.68 0.74 0.59 0.64 0.69	45.48 43.99 44.17 44.72 43.64	Fibora Limestone. Bed No. 3 of section in Hendricks quarry. Upper part of bed No. 4?
389 340 341 342 343	7 8 9 10	6'- 3' 4'- 3' 3'-10' 3'- 2'	27'- 6' 33'- 9' 38'- 0' 41'-10' 45'- 0'	2.59 1.78 3.79 1.28 1.11	0.23 0.41 0.76 0.45 0.17	89.06 69.80 76.63 89.82	51.10 49.91 38.78 44.29 50.17	4.16 8.72 25.44 22.40 8.86	1.99 4.17 11.69 10.16 4.24	44.09 43.73 45.08 43.82 44.31	Lower part of bed No. 4? Compare beds Nos. 4 to 9 in test pit in bottom of quarry.
344 345 346 347 348	11 12 13 14 15	3'- 6' 6'- 0' 8'- 0' 7'- 3' 5'-11'	48'- 6" 54'- 6" 62'- 6" 69'- 6" 75'- 8"	0.90 5.57 1.82 0.49 0.93	0.34 0.25 0.21 0.14 0.19	91_60 86_48 92_62 97_26 91_02	51.34 48.44 51.91 54.51 51.01	7.65 8.68 8.72 1.67 7.84	3.66 0.97 1.30 0.51 3.51	43.76 44.77 44.76 44.45 44.36	Lower high calcium horizon.
349 350 351 Ne	16 17 18	5'- 4' 12'- 8' 9'-10'	81'- 0' 93'- 8' 103'- 6'	1.47 6.76 2.68	0.23 1.55 0.37 m origina ans	80.42 62.40 80.42	45.07 34.97 45.07	18:84 26:95 14:36	9-01 12-89 6-87	44.22 43.83 45.01	
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Summary Analysis\* Covering Limestone Deposit in Townsnip 45, Sec. 36, N. Range 9 West.

Laboratory Union Carbide Co., Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

Number of analysis.	Sample number.	sio	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> +Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> .	CaCO <sub>1</sub> .	CaO. %	MgCO <sub>6</sub> .	MgO.
352 353 354 355 356	1 2 8 4 5	2.70 3.49 1.39 .93 2.03	.44 .41 .34 .62 .57	92.96 94.74 96.87 95.88 96.76	52.00 53.09 54.29 53.72 54.83	1.21 1.32 1.14 1.14 1.22	. 58 . 61 . 54 . 54
357 358 359 360 361	6 7 8 9	4.62 1.61 3.25 .87 1.66	.41 .61 .37 .24 .34	91.21 91.64 92.66 97.03 91.05	61.12 61.85 51.83 54.88 61.08	3.54 6.58 2.32 .91 6.27	1.66 5.14 1.11 .48 8.00
362 363 364 365 366	11- 12- 13- 14- 15-	3.37 2.03 2.18 3.07 .84	.62 .55 .55 .46 .41	90,96 95,35 93,67 92,36 97,92	50.98 53.44 52.49 51.76 54.87	3,99 1,14 2,59 3,19 ,96	1.91 .64 1.24 1.68
367	16 17 18 19 20	1.75 2.35 2.46 3.09	. 48 . 78 . 91 . 52 . 55	97.92 95.77 92.45 94.80 94.46	84.87 93.67 91.81 93.18 82.94	.98 1.46 2.91 1.80 1.51	1.70 1.89 .86
372 373 374 375 576	21 22 23 24 25	2.28 1.82 2.39 2.74 2.51	.48 .55 .50 .54 .20	95.91 96.55 95.51 92.72 95.02	57.75 54.11 58.53 51.98 53.25	1,37 1,41 1,85 3,62 1,32	.65 .87 .88 I .78
177 178 179 180	26 27 28 29 30	2,23 2,46 3,24 2,76 2,73	.66 .34 .32 .18 .09	95.44 93.63 93.91 95.60 95.98	53.49 52.14 58.63 53.58 63.79	1.41 $3.80$ $2.70$ $1.26$ $1.30$	.67 1.88 1.29 .60
82 83 84 85	31 32 33 34 35	1.98 1.80 3.30 3.53 1.55	.43 .27 .30 .45 .32	96.50 96.80 93.73 92.93 96.63	54.08 54.25 52.53 52.68 54.16	1.04 1.24 2.82 3.05 1.20	. 50 . 59 I . 35 I . 46 . 57
87 88 89	36 37 38 39	9.67 7.57 1.82 1.43	.50 .20 .71 .42	88.11 89.42 95.93 97.26	49.38 50.11 63.76 64.81	1.04 $2.55$ $1.23$ $.99$	.50 1.22 .59
91 92 93 94	40 41 42 43	2.25 2.02 2.30 4.05	.30 .36 .48 .25	95.80 95.10 96.56 93.77	53.89 53.80 54.11 58.55	1.37 2.48 2.48 1.06	1.18 1.18 1.18

<sup>\*</sup>Analyses furnished by D. N. McLeod Lumber Co., Garnet. Figures in italics are calculated from original analyses.

Analyses Nos. 352 to 394 are the summary of results from the shallow holes in section 36 which penetrated only to the bottom of the Fiborn limestone. According to these analyses the content of calcium carbonate generally is between 91 and 97 per cent, the magnesian carbonate between 1 and 4 per cent, and the silica between 1 and 3 per cent.

The analyses of the core from the deep test hole show that the Fiborn limestone extends to the depth of about 27 feet. It is underlain by about 14 feet of magnesian limestone which is followed by 35 feet or more of high calcium limestone. Beds belonging to this horizon are not exposed anywhere as far as known. A nearly complete section of the magnesian horizon above, however, is exposed in a test pit in bottom of Hendrick's

quarry a half mile to the south. (See section in Hendrick's quarry, Mackinac county.)

The height of the bluff on the north is from 80 to 100 feet, hence conditions are favorable for quarrying down to the bottom of the lower high calcium horizon

Summary. The high calcium limestone resources of Luce county are confined to a very narrow strip along the southern edge of the county, chiefly in section 31, T. 45 N., R. 8 W., and section 36, T. 45 N., R. 9 W.

## Mackinac County.

Distribution. The Hendricks series and Fiborn limestone of the lower Niagara underlie the northwestern part of the county, the Manistique series and the Engadine dolomite of the upper Niagara the remainder of the county (fig. 14) with the exception of St. Ignace peninsula and adjacent islands, which are underlain by the Monroe-Salina series.

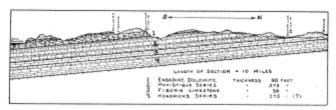


Figure 14. Section from Donald, Mackinac county, south to Lake Michigan.

Exposures of ail of the members of the Niagara limestone, with the exception of the Hendricks series, are very large and numerous. The Engadine dolomite forms a prominent though broken northward facing escarpment extending from east to west across the county. The Fiborn limestone also terminates on the north in an escarpment, though much less prominent arid continuous. It is exposed or is under light drift cover in several large areas throughout a belt extending from the west side of Lake Ella northeast to Hendricks quarry and then southeast through Fiborn quarry into Chippewa county, where it disappears beneath thick deposits of lake clay. The most important areas of exposures are on the west side of Lake Ella, near Gould City, and in the vicinity of Hendricks and Fiborn quarries. A large exposure is reported to occur between these quarries. The Fiborn limestone is near the surface about one mile south of Donald but the extent of the area is uncertain. The Engadine dolomite is widely exposed from its escarpment south to the shores of lakes Michigan and Huron. Very large exposures of the Monroe-Salina formation occur in the vicinity of St. Ignace and on the adjacent islands.

Character. The Hendricks series is composed of a variety of limestones ranging in composition from high calcium to high magnesian. They are not well exposed in the county and knowledge concerning their general character has been gained largely from a shallow test pit in Hendricks quarry and from drill cores in its vicinity. The thickness of the series is unknown but it is certainly over 100 feet. The Fiborn limestone, 18 to 30 feet in

thickness, is uniformly a buff to dark gray lithographic to densely crystalline high calcium limestone breaking with a perfect conchoidal fracture and generally containing an abundance of small calcite crystals. The Manistique series, probably over 275 feet in thickness, is composed of a variety of limestones varying greatly in texture, structure, and composition. The series, however, is largely high magnesian limestone or dolomite. The Engadine dolomite is everywhere an extremely massive very crystalline bluish or white dolomite with mottlings and streaks of distinct blue and containing many druse cavities. It is generally very pure, the impurities usually being less than 2 per cent. The Monroe-Salina is composed chiefly of argillaceous and siliceous dolomites with intercalated beds of gypsum.

#### Quarries and Localities.

Fiborn quarry. The Fiborn Limestone Co. have a large quarry in section 16. This quarry (PI. IV B) was formerly known as the Osborn quarry and was the first to be opened in the Fiborn limestone. In this vicinity limestone is exposed in sections 15, 16, 21, and 22, T. 44 N., R. 7 W. In 1901 A. C. Lane described\* some caves in section 16 and incidentally made reference to the purity of this bed. In a later report† he published the following section:

## Section in Fiborn Quarry.

"Limestone with Orthoceras, a locee Favesitif, a small gastropod, but most abundant fragments of heads of Stromatoporoids.

Greenish sandy looking limestone with greenish tubes running into each other (anastomosing), with corals and Stromatoporoids which show well on the green surface.

Very massive and light with Stromatopora heads.

Finely handed mad rock (calciluties) with quite persistent bands of holes, empty gastropod carriive half way down. These have calcite crystals lining them. A lepterdite and stylolities usure occur and this lower part has a more porcelanic and less sugary appearance than the upper part containing the coral and Stromatoporoid heads. A notable thing is the absence of Peetamerus".

The *Fiborn limestone* has been traced from a point two or three miles west of Trout Lake nearly to Manistique River, a distance of about 50 miles. Fragments identical with the Fiborn limestone are abundant in the drift on Lime Island (St. Marys River), indicating its eastward extension from Trout Lake.

The thickness of the bed in the quarry is variable but the maximum is about 30 feet. The average height of the quarry face is probably about 25 feet. A large acreage of stone has been quarried out but .this is only a small fraction of the area of easily quarryable stone. The stone is stripped and handled by steam shovel. The stripping is generally thin but locally it is several feet in thickness.

The beds in the quarry are, on the whole, gray to buff gray, lithographic to dense grained, high calcium limestone, very brittle and breaking with a smooth conchoidal fracture and generally containing small disseminated calcite crystals. Locally the stone is finely banded and free from calcite crystals. All of the stone is high calcium but near the bottom of the bed the percentage of magnesia is slightly higher. The floor of the quarry is white or light colored crystalline limestone containing more or less magnesia.

An analysis (No. 395) of a representative set of samples of the Fiborn limestone gave 55.19 per cent of calcium oxide and 1.12 per cent of magnesia. An analysis (No. 396) of a sample from the magnesian basal portion of the bed gave 51.46 per cent of calcium oxide and 4.30 per cent of magnesia. Analyses Nos. 397 to 399 are of the marketable product. These analyses indicate the high average purity of the limestone which is extensively used for flux, chemical lime, the manufacture of calcium carbide, sugar, etc., and for road material, concrete, and railway ballast.

\*Ann. Report, Mich. Geol. Surv., 1901, p. 146.

†Ann. Rept., Mich. Geol. Surv., 1907, p. 20.



Plate IV. A. Crushing plants of the Bayport quarry of the Wallace Stone Company, near Bayport, Huron county.

Worked out portions are shown in the foreground. The present quarries are beyond the crushing plants.



Plate IV. B. Fiborn quarry and crushing plant of the Fiborn Limestone Company, Mackinac county.

The Fiborn limestone has a maximum thickness of nearly 30 feet in this quarry.

Hendricks quarry. A large area of Fiborn limestone occurs in sections 1 and 2, T. 44 N., R. 9 W., and portions-of adjoining sections. The portion of the area extending into the sections on the north is terminated by a bluff 80 to 100 feet in height (see McLeod Lumber Co. quarry, Luce county.) The Union Carbide Co. have opened a large quarry (Pl. V A) at Hendricks near the eastern end of the area in the edge of section 6, T. 44 N.; R. 8 W.

The quarry at the time of the writer's visit was an elongated opening over an eighth of a mile in length and

from 8 to 25 feet in depth. The section exposed in the quarry and in a test pit (Pl. V B) in the floor of the quarry is as follows:

#### Section in Hendricks quarry.

		Thickness, feet.
1.	Hard light gray, porous and thin-bedded magnesian limestone. Stone badly leached. Bed present only in places. Not used	4
2.	Hard white to light gray, crystalline to dense grained, porous, cherty, and magnesian limestone. Bed not used. (Anal. No. 400 of beds Nos. 1 and 2	
3.	gave 12.71 per cent of MgO).  Gave to grayish buff lithographic to dense grained high calcium limestone with a smooth concluded fracture and with small disseminated calcite crystals.	34
	Top portion is light gray, well bedded and crystalline. (CaO, 55.05 per cent; MgO, 0.81 per cent; Anal. No. 401)	18
	Test pit in bottom of quarry.	
	Hard white dense grained to finely crystalline high calcium limestone, be- coming more magnesian toward the base (CaO, 53.89 per cent; MgO, 1.35 per cent. Anal. Nos. 403-4).	8
5.	Dark buff gray dense grained high calcium limestone (CaO, 55.29 per cent; MgO, 1.05 per cent. Anal. No. 405)	1
6.	Hard while thin-bedded high calcium limestone (CaO, 51.39 per cent: MgO.	
7.	4.19 per cent. Anal. No. 406). Hard white crystalline delomite (MgO, 20.46 per cent. Anal. No. 407)	24
~ ,	Brownish crystalline dolomite with drusy cavities. (MgO, 20.15 per cent. and. No. 408).  Yellowish earthy high culcium limestone (CaO, 55.75 per cent. Anal. No. 409).	6

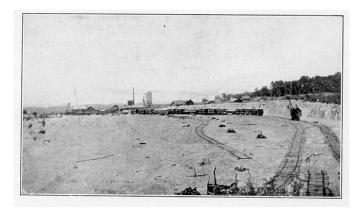


Plate V. A. Hendricks quarry of the Union Carbide Co., Mackinac county.

The Fiborn limestone in this quarry averages about 18 feet in thickness.

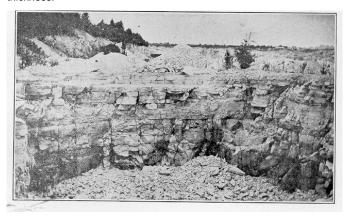


Plate V. B. Test pit in the floor of the Hendricks quarry, showing the upper beds of the Hendricks Series.

As may be noted from, the above section the Fiborn limestone is locally overlain by beds of light colored magnesian limestone. These beds were encountered only in the southwestern portion of the quarry. The rock suface is more or less corroded and eroded and apparently these magnesian beds are present only in the higher places in the vicinity of the quarry. Some of the corrosion hollows are very deep extending nearly to the bottom of the Fiborn limestone. The hollows or

"pockets" are filled with drift and give more or less trouble in stripping.

The thickness of the Fiborn member averages about 18 feet which is considerably less than in the Fiborn quarry, Mackinac county, or in the Blaney guarry, Schoolcraft county. The stone, however, is very similar in character and composition in all of the quarries. Analysis No. 400 indicates that magnesian character of the white limestone overlying the Fiborn limestone on the south. An analysis (No. 401) of a set of samples from the Fiborn limestone gave 55.05 per cent calcium oxide and only 0.81 per cent of magnesian oxide. Generally the basal portion is more magnesian but analysis No. 402 from near the bottom of the bed gave 55.29 per cent of calcium oxide and 0.82 per cent of magnesium oxide. The white underlying limestone, which, in the Fiborn and Blaney quarries is magnesian, also is low in magnesia. Analyses Nos. 403 to 409 are of the beds exposed in the test pit and these show that the beds range in composition from very pure high calcium limestone to heavy magnesian limestone or dolomite.

A number of core drillings were made in the vicinity of the quarry and the following analyses are of the core from one over 145 feet in depth:

	nalys	es of drill core, sec. 1, 7	ľ. 44 N., R.				rick's Quar		es, Supt. Unic	on Carbide Co., Sault Ste.
Analysis No.	Sample No.	Core.  Thickness, Depth, feet.	Silica. SiOs. %	Iren- Alumina. Fe <sub>f</sub> O <sub>1</sub> -Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> .	Calcium carbonate. CaCO <sub>b</sub> .	Calcium oxide, CaO.	Magnesium carbonate. MgCO <sub>5</sub>	Magnesium oxide. MgO.	Carbon di-oxide and water. COs-H <sub>2</sub> O.	Remarks.

×	N.		re.	Silica. SiO <sub>1</sub> .	Iron-	Calcium	Calcium	Magnesium	Magnesium	Carbon di-oxide	
Analysis	Sample	Thickness, feet.	Depth, feet.	sio.	Alumina. Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> -Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> .	CaCO <sub>b</sub> .	oxide, CaO.	carbonate. MgCO <sub>5</sub>	exide. MgO.	and water. CO <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>2</sub> O.	Remarks.
410 411	1 2	9'- 6' 11'- 0'	23'- 0" 34'- 0"	$^{2.16}_{3.88}$	1.10 0.45	88.97 84.56	47.06 47.39	12.27 9.34	5.87 4.47	43.81 43.81}	Compare beds Nos. 1 and 2 of section in Hendrick's
412 413	3	5'- 6' 10'- 0'	39'- 6" 49'- 6"	1.02 1.79	0.17 0.26	86.69 93.94	54.19 52.65	2.05	0.50 1.07	44.12 44.23	Fiborn timestone. Com- pare bed No. 3.
414	6	6'- 3' 6'- 3'	55'- 9' 62'- 0'	1.40	0.16 0.74	99.93 78.46	50.96 41.17	6.65 22.45	3.18 10.74	44.30 45.41	Compare beds Nos. 4-9 of test pit in bottom of
416 417 418 419 420 421 422	7 8 9 10 11 12 13	9'- 9' 13'- 6' 12'- 0' 19'- 6' 5'- 6' 12'- 6' 11'-10"	71'- 0' 84'- 6' 96'- 6' 116'- 0' 121'- 6' 134'- 0' 145'-10'	1.02 1.57 1.48 3.46 2.04 3.91 5.72	0.44 0.56 0.36 0.57 0.40 1.27 1.71	91.04 95.34 91.55 86.97 91.09 66.58 65.07	51.02 53.43 51.31 48.74 51.50 37.28 36.47	5.89 .29 8.74 4.70 4.01 87.88 24.85	2.53 0.14 1.79 2.25 1.92 13.18 11.89	44.99 44.30 45.06 44.98 44.36 44.36	quarry.  Lower high calcium horizon.

Note.—Numbers in italies are calculated from original analyses

The exact location of this hole is not given but judging from the magnesian character of the top 20 feet (13 ft. 6 in. to 34 ft.) it is south of the quarry where the overlying white magnesian limestones (Beds Nos. 1 and 2) should be expected. Core samples Nos. 3 and 4 (34 ft. to 49 ft. 6 in.) represent the Fiborn bed but it is probable that a part of the bed is included in samples Nos. 2 and 5. Samples Nos. 5 to 7 (49 ft. 6 in. to 62 ft.) represent the magnesian series exposed in the test pit. Samples Nos. 8 to 11 are of a lower high calcium bed or beds 35 to 50 feet in thickness and comparable in purity with the Fiborn limestone above.

The name Hendricks series has been provisionally given to this series of high calcium and magnesian limestones below the Fiborn limestone. It is possible, however, that the Hendricks series should also include the Fiborn limestone. A large section of this series would be exposed along the high bluff a half mile to the north if the base of the bluff was not covered by debris.

A large part of the quarry product is used by the Union Carbide Co. at Sault Ste. Marie for the manufacture of calcium carbide. The remainder of the product is disposed of for a variety of purposes.

Donald. The Fiborn limestone is near the surface in section 29, T. 44 N., R. 10 E. It is exposed at the depth of about five feet in a shallow open well on the farm of August Wandtland near the center of the section. It was also found at depth of 28 inches in holes dug for telephone poles in the road along the east side of the section. The overburden, however, appears to be heavy in most places and the area of easily quarryable stone is very uncertain. An analysis (No. 423) of a sample blasted from the well on the Wandtland farm gave only 47.72 per cent of calcium oxide and 5.93 per cent of magnesium oxide. The percentage of magnesia is higher than is usual for the Fiborn limestone.

Gould City. Just north and west of Gould City the Fiborn limestone is exposed or near the surface in sections 30 and 31, T. 43 N., R. 11 W., also in the eastern part of sections 25 and 36, T. 43 N., R. 12 W. Fire has removed the timber and soil mold exposing a large area of bare rock on each side of the road. The area of easily quarryable stone is uncertain but apparently it is several hundred acres.

The stone is a light gray, lithographic, high calcium limestone, very brittle, breaking with a smooth conchoidal fracture and containing small disseminated calcite crystals. An analysis (No. 424) of sample taken from a small pit near the road in section 31 gave 54.30 per cent of calcium oxide and 1.63 per cent of magnesium oxide. The light drift cover and the nearness to the Minneapolis and St. Paul railroad make very favorable conditions for development.

Hunt Spur. Two miles north of Hunt Spur the Fiborn limestone is exposed over an area of several square miles in extent. Fire has removed much of the timber and original soil mold, and exposures are numerous from the vicinity of Lake Ella westward into section 4, T. 42 N., R. 13 W., Schoolcraft county, a distance of about six miles. This is the largest area of exposures of the Fiborn limestone. The principal exposures in Mackinac county are in sections 5 and 6, T. 42 N., R. 12 W., and in sections 31 and 32, T. 43 N., R. 12 W. The rock surface is generally flat but locally there are rock ridges from 4 to 20 feet in height. The thickness of the Fiborn limestone in the eastern portion of the area is variable but uncertain, but in the Blaney quarry at the west end it is at least 26 feet. Quarrying conditions are favorable in much of the area but drainage in some portions would be difficult. An analysis (No. 425) of limestone from a rock ridge 15 to 20 feet in height in section 6, T. 42 N., R. 12 W., was made by the Lake Superior Iron & Chemical Co. and this gave 53.70 per cent of calcium oxide and 1.74 per cent of magnesium oxide. Other analyses from the western portion of the area also show the high average quality of the limestone. Another area of exposures is reported to occur between Fiborn and Hendricks quarries. About four miles northwest of Trout Lake in section 24, T. 44 N., R. 7 W., small exposures of the Fiborn limestone occur and it is probable that with further search and exploration a considerable area of high calcium limestone may be developed. Most of the

locality is covered by morainic deposits, therefore the areas of limestone under light overburden may be small.

Ozark guarry. The Ozark Stone Co. has opened a quarry (Pl. VI A) at Ozark in the edge of the prominent escarpment of Engadine dolomite which extends northward to Haff postoffice (Dick) in Chippewa County. This dolomite is exposed or is at shallow depth in many places in an area of many square miles in extent east and north of Ozark. The amount of available dolomite in this area alone is practically inexhaustible. The dolomite is distinctly bluish with mottlings and streaks of blue. very crystalline, massively but poorly bedded, and very porous, locally containing many druse cavities, apparently the molds of a large species of Pentamerus. The jointing is very irregular and upon blasting the stone breaks into large irregular masses. At the time (1913) of the writer's visit, the guarry was about 100 feet in length and 20 feet in depth but the bottom of the bed had not been reached. The rock surface is very uneven and the thickness of the bed is variable and uncertain. Three or four miles north, however, it is over 50 feet. The stone is very pure dolomite, suitable for use as a basic lining in open hearth furnaces and for the manufacture of paper by the sulphite process. Analysis No. 426 indicates that at Ozark the impurities average less than one-half per

Kenneth. Exposures of Engadine dolomite occur at and in the vicinity of Kenneth and formerly a small quarry was operated here for burning lime. The dolomite is similar to that at Ozark, though judging from analysis No. 428 it is slightly pure, containing 1.40 per cent of impurities.

Large areas of Engadine dolomite occur in the eastern part of the county, especially in T. 42 N., R. 1 W., and 43 N., R. 2 W. The northern limit of these is generally marked by high rock bluffs.

Caffey. A considerable area of Engadine dolomite occurs a mile southeast of Caffey. Dolomite is exposed in a number of places and quarrying conditions are favorable.

Garnet. A small exposure of Engadine dolomite occurs at the top of a low elevation a short distance north of the railroad at Garnet, but judging from the great number of large boulders the dolomite is near the surface in an area of at least two or three hundred acres.

Engadine. About one mile west of Engadine the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie railroad crosses a large exposure of bluish very crystalline extremely massive and poorly bedded dolomite, locally containing numerous druse cavities, apparently the molds of a large Pentamerus. Exposures extend for two miles south of the railroad and apparently southwestward for several miles. The rock surface slopes gently to the south, apparently in accordance with the general southward dip of the beds, but north of the railroad the area terminates in a series of low bluffs. About one mile south of the railroad there is an east and west valley locally bordered by perpendicular rock walls

8 to 12 feet in height on the north and south. One mile north of the railroad the massive dolomite terminates in a high bluff with an exposure at the base of very fossiliferous and thin bedded magnesian limestone, belonging to the underlying Manistique series. The name Engadine dolomite has been given to this massive dolomite from its prominent and extensive exposures west of the village of Engadine.

According to analyses Nos. 429 to 431 the rock is a normal dolomite containing about 1.25 per cent of impurities. The amount of available dolomite in the Engadine area is practically inexhaustible but unfortunately dolomite finds but limited use in the industries. The large area of exposures, a natural face, and the proximity to railroad transportation offer especial advantages for development.

St. Ignace. Large exposures of the Monroe dolomites occur in the vicinity of St. Ignace, on Mackinac Island and other adjacent islands. Formerly the dolomite was burned for lime at a number of places. Due to the exhaustion of suitable fuel and to the impure character of the dolomite these quarries and kilns were abandoned many years ago. Much of the Monroe dolomite in the vicinity of St. Ignace and on Mackinac Island is brecciated.

Summary. Mackinac county contains several of the largest areas and also the largest reserves of high calcium limestone in the Northern Peninsula, but unfortunately most of these are located in the northwestern part of the county at considerable distance from trunk line railroads. Only two of the areas have been developed, though the limestone is suitable for almost every purpose for which high calcium limestone may be used. The county has also practically inexhaustible supplies of the purest dolomite, much of which is near railroad transportation. The exceptional purity of the dolomite makes it especially adapted for use as the basic lining in open hearth furnaces and for use in paper manufacture by the sulphite process.

Marquette County. Exposures of the Trenton limestone and the Beekmantown (Calciferous) sandstone occur along the Escanaba River in the extreme southern part of the county. Analyses Nos. 437 to 439 are indicative of the sandy character of the Beekmantown and Nos. 440 and 441 of the siliceous and argillaceous character of the Trenton limestone.

## Menominee County.

Distribution. The Trenton limestone underlies the much larger eastern portion of Menominee county and the Beekmantown (Calciferous) forms a narrow belt along the western side. The Trenton is exposed about 2 miles north of Menominee and also in the bed of Menominee River near its mouth. The Beekmantown sandstone is exposed in the vicinity of Hermansville and along the Grand rapids on Menominee River, Rominger\* gives the following section from this place:

		Thickness,
1.	Fine grained crystalline even-bedded limestone with argillaceous partings.	feet.
_	(SlOs, 18 per cent, Anal. No. 442).  Nodular limestone of peculiar concentrically laminated structure much re-	4
2.	Nodular limestons of peculiar concentrically laminated structure much re- sembling irregularly contorted nodular masses of Stromatopora	
3.	Compact delomites, partly arenaceous, partly of collic structure.	2
4.	Fine grained argillaceous arenaceous limestones banded with red stripes or	_
	variegated with irregular blotches in thin and even bedded layers. (SiO,	
5.	23 per cent, Anal. No. 443). Hard dolomitic limestones and dolite beds mixed with a greater or smaller	ă
	proportion of quartzose sand granules	4
6.	White coarse grained sandstone variable in hardness and with seams of arema-	
	eeous shales. Numerous angular fragments of limestone and pieces of shale in the upper layers.	5

The siliceous, argillaceous, and magnesian character of the limestone beds is indicated by the analyses by Rominger, No. 442 of the upper bed, No. 443 of bed No. 4, and No. 444 of bed No. 5.

\*C. Rominger, Paleozoic Rocks of the Upper Peninsula, Vol. I, Pt. III, p. 72, 1869-1873.

Hermansville. Sandy limestone belonging to the Beekmantown (Calciferous) is exposed in the vicinity of Hermansville, Iron Mountain, and Waucedah, and has been locally designated\* by Rominger as the Hermansville limestone. Its general character as described by him is "that of a coarse grained sandstone with abundant calcareous cement in alternation with pure dolomite or sometimes öolitic beds." It is of little economic importance, the stone apparently being suitable only for road material, concrete, common building stone, etc.

The principal exposure of the Trenton limestone is about 2 miles north of Menominee where a small quarry has been opened by the Menominee Stone Crusher Co. The area of easily quarryable stone is apparently only 10 or 15 acres but perhaps further exploration may result in the development of a considerable larger area.

The stone is a buff to gray, argillaceous, low magnesian stone weathering to bluish color. The argillaceous matter is chiefly in very fine wavy laminations more or less parallel with the bedding. Only four or five feet of rock were exposed but according to the foreman of the quarry the rock is similar to the depth of about 34 feet. The rock is used chiefly for concrete paving and for road making in the vicinity of Menominee.

Analysis No. 445 is indicative of the argillaceous and low magnesian character of the beds in the quarry. Analysis No. 446 from the field notebook of N. H. Winchell is apparently from the upper dolomite beds, the so-called "Menominee marble," exposed along Menominee river. The impurities, however, in this bed are abnormally low for the Trenton limestone.

\*C. Rominger, Paleozoic Rocks, Mich. Geol. Surv., Vol. I, Pt. III, 1873, p. 81.

Summary. Menominee county apparently has limited limestone resources and these are generally siliceous, argillaceous, and magnesian. The limestone is adapted chiefly for road making, concrete, railroad ballast, or rough building stone.

### Monroe County.

Distribution. The Monroe formation and the Dundee limestone occupy all but the extreme southwestern portion of the county. In Monroe county the Monroe formation consists of three divisions, viz., the Lower Monroe or Island series, the Middle Monroe or Sylvania sandstone, and the Upper Monroe or Detroit River series. The members of the Monroe formation and the Dundee limestone form parallel belts extending across the county in a northeast-southwest direction. The Lower Monroe occupies the southeastern belt along Lake Erie and the others follow in order to the northwest.

Character. The Lower Monroe is composed of argillaceous and locally bituminous dolomite, anhydrite, celestite, and native sulphur; the Sylvania, of white sandstone and sandy dolomite; the Upper Monroe, chiefly of argillaceous dolomite with anhydrite, celestite, and sulphur; the Dundee, high calcium and magnesian limestone. The dolomite of the Monroe is locally much brecciated.

#### Quarries and Localities.

The surface deposits are generally thin in the eastern part of the county and gradually increase in thickness westward. Because of this, exposures decrease in number from near the lake westward. The lower Monroe dolomite of the eastern belt is exposed at many places but the Dundee limestone of the western belt is exposed at but three places.

#### Lower Monroe.

Monroe quarries. Formerly numerous limestone quarries were operated in the eastern portion of Monroe county but only three quarries are now in operation and these are at Monroe.

The quarry of the Shore Line Stone Company is about one mile north of the city near the Shore Line Railroad. The following section was exposed:

		Thickness, feet.	Inches.
	Stiff take clay	4-6 2-4	
1, 2.	Blue and built dolomite.  Dark gray, built, brown, bituminous, argillaceous and mas-	2-4	
	sively hedded dolomites	18	
3.	Dark gray drusy and argillaceous dolomite. Light colored	1+	
4	dolomitie bolite.  Light to dark gray and dense grained brittle dolomite with	1.7	
7.	bluich mortlings and streaks resembling castile soap. The upper 8 to 10 inches has a gnarled pattern, the middle 6 inches is mortled, and the lower 3 or 4 feet streaked. The		
-	lower portion is very argillaceous.  Dark gray densely crystalline dolomite with delicate bitumin-	i)	
5.	Dark gray densely crystanine dimensite with deneate beloning	. 2	
6.	ous laminations. Buff very earthy argillaceous and massively bedded dolomite.	. 2 3 2	
7. 8.	Dark gray densely crystalline dolomite	2	
8.	This seam of delitic delemits	0	
9.	Brittle light colored dolomite with black mottlings and streaks and a blue shale seam at the bottom	1	
0.	Dark buff gray crystalline and sandy appearing dolomite		
	with a shale seam at the bottom	20	
1.	Thin seam of delitic delemits.  Brittle fine grained light colored argillaceous delemits with		4-
2.	blush streaks and mortlings. Lower portion very ar- gillaceous.	1+	

Much of the dolomite is argillaceous though analyses (Nos. 447-449) of samples taken at 2, 7, and 10 feet from the top of the quarry gave an average of only 0.75 per cent iron and alumina and 1.35 per cent of silica. The sulphur is locally high and the generally impure character of the dolomite unfits it for general fluxing and chemical purposes. In the early days it was used for

lime burning and building stone but now it is used chiefly for road making, concrete, and railroad ballast.

The quarry of the France Stone Co., formerly the Monroe Stone Co., is on the southeast side of Plum Creek in the southern part of Monroe. This is the largest quarry in the county and the company have recently installed a modern crusher plant (Pl. VI B). The area of available stone is said to be about 90 acres. The section exposed is as follows:

Section in the France Stone Co. quarry.

Thickness,
fact.

Surface.

Light yellowish earthy dolomite with brown motilings with dolite at the top.

Light bluish gray densely crystalline dolomite.

Light bluish gray densely crystalline dolomite.

Built gray very fine grained, isminated and bituminous dolomite.

Dark gray bituminous and densely crystalline dolomite with drusy cavities.

Massive gray dolomic in requirements very large and many of the original laterastital openings partially filled with dolomite spar and large crystals and masses of calcite or dog-tooth spar.

Brittle yellowish white and built dolomite with motilings and streaks.

Dark built gray dense grained to crystalline and bituminous dolomite with drusy cavities.

The maximum depth of the quarry is about 40 feet but a complete section could not be obtained at any place on account of a large blast of limestone. Some of the beds are much brecciated. In some places the brecciation is confined to one bed, in others it extends through all. The brecciation is of two types, one in which rearrangement of the fragments has occurred and one in which it has not. In the first type the fragments are large and are inclined at all angles. In the second type they are generally small and are difficult of recognition. Usually a very hackley fracture of the stone is indicative of this type of brecciation.

Many of the beds are argillaceous and bituminous. An average of five analyses (No. 450) of the gray dolomite beds gave 3.08 to 6.08 per cent of impurities. The stone is crushed for concrete, road making and railroad ballast.

Immediately north of the France quarry on the opposite side of Plum Creek there is a small quarry operated by J. Morris for rough building stone, concrete, and road material. The beds are similar to those in the France quarry.

According to Sherzer\* stone was formerly quarried near Newport Center and Brest, claim No. 529, south of Swan Creek, in the bed of the River Raisin for three or four miles above Monroe, a half mile south of Plum Creek quarries, in the bed of Otter Creek for a mile up stream from the Pere Marquette railroad bridge, along the south branch of Otter Creek in sec. 20, T. 7 S., R. 8 E., along Muddy Creek in secs. 29, 32, and 33 of the same township, in secs. 1 and 12, T. 8 S., R. 7 E., in sec. 15 in the vicinity of Little Lake, in sees. 10, 16 and 21 of the same township, in sec. 25, T. 8 S., R. 6 E., and sec. 4, T. 9 S., R. 6 E. Nearly all of these quarries were small and were operated for building stone for local use. Lime, however, was burned at some. All of the quarries are abandoned or idle and full of water. The area of easily quarryable stone is reported to be considerable in some of the localities. The beds are chiefly gray argillaceous dolomite with öolitic horizons, similar in general character to the beds exposed in the Monroe quarries.

\*W. H. Sherzer, Geology of Wayne Co., Vol. VII, Pt. I, pp. 92-100, Mich. Geol. Surv., 1900.

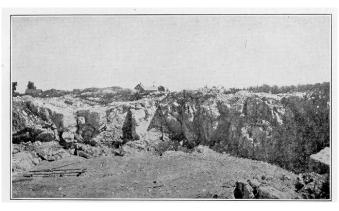


Plate VI. A. Quarry of the Ozark Stone Company at Ozark, Mackinac county.

The massive bedding and the irregular jointing are characteristic of the Engadine dolomite.

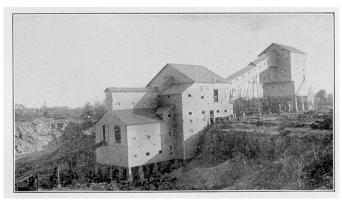


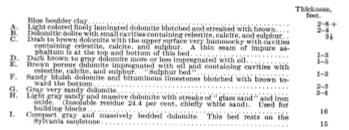
Plate VI. B. New crushing plant of the France Stone Company, Monroe, Monroe county.

The beds belong to the Raisin River dolomite of the Lower Monroe and are locally much brecciated.

#### Upper Monroe.

The exposures of the Upper Monroe are numerous and many small quarries have been opened at one time or another, chiefly for building stone. Lime was burned but much of the dolomite is too sandy or impure for this purpose.

Woolmith† quarry. The Woolmith quarry is between Maybee and Scofield and is the largest in the Upper Monroe. The quarry is full of water but according to Sherzer the section formerly exposed was as follows:



Most of the beds are very sandy and portions of the lower beds are pure sandstone. The dolomite also contains sulphur. It is suitable chiefly for rough building

stone, road material, concrete, and railroad ballast. Blocks of almost any size may be quarried from the 16 ft. bed. Analyses Nos. 451-452 are indicative of the siliceous character of the beds.

There are six old quarries in the vicinity of Raisinville. The exposed beds correspond to the lower beds in the Woolmith quarry. Lime was burned at one of the quarries. Analysis No. 453 is indicative of the general character of the beds.

†W. H. Sherzer, Geology of Monroe County, Vol. VII, Pt. I, 1900, pp. 78-82.

Lulu quarry. This quarry is located in the NW. ¼ NW. ¼ sec. 16, T. 7 S., R. 7 E. The beds include both sandstone and gray dolomite more or less mottled and streaked with blue. Building stone was quarried here more than 75 years ago. Analysis No. 454 by Rominger is from, one of the beds of dolomite and No. 455 from a sandy stratum.

Little Sink quarry. In Little Sink quarry, SE. ¼ SE. ¼ sec. 2, T. 8 S., R. 6 E., 6 to 8 feet of gray dolomite overlies pure white sandstone. The beds were quarried for building stone and for burning lime.

Ottawa Lake quarries. Several small quarries were formerly operated near the north end of Ottawa Lake for building stone, lime, and road material. The beds formerly exposed are as follows:

A.	Compact buffish brown siliceous dolomite	feet.
C.	Cherty dolomite Compact dolomite similar to A but blue in color Buff to gray compact dolomite with carbonaceous films	1-11

Ida quarries. In some quarries one and one-half miles west of Ida there are two beds of gray dolomite. The upper is oolitic and has a gashed or acicular structure. Analysis No. 457 is from the upper bed. The gashed structure is apparently due to tabular crystals of celestite which have been leached out.

Analysis No. 456 is from material from a drill hole in the Upper Monroe dolomite just north of Carleton.

### Dundee Limestone.

Quarries have been opened in the Dundee limestone at Dundee and near the mouth of Macon River about 2 miles northeast of Dundee.

Dundee quarry. This quarry is located on the north bank of the River Raisin back of the National Hotel. It consists of a rectangular opening about 90 feet wide and 240 feet long, and is only a few feet above normal river level. It is abandoned and full of water. According to local residents all of the available stone has been removed. The section as determined by Sherzer\* is as follows:

	Thickness, feet.
Gray fossiliferous limestone impregnated with oil. Grayish brown limestone, weathering bluish	
 Dark brown and bituminous limestone, cherty toward the bottom.  A massively bedded bluish limestone, lighter colored toward the bottom.	ěĬ
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\*W. H. Sherzer, Geology of Monroe County, Vol. VII, Pt. I, pp. 77-78, Mich. Geol. Surv. 1901.

Macon quarry. The Macon quarry has been known at various times as the Christiancy, Nogard, and Bullock quarry, corresponding with its various owners. It is near the mouth of Macon River and in the former channel of the river, from which the water has been deflected by an embankment. It extends for a considerable distance along the north bank of the stream. It is now abandoned and full of water, hence its description rests upon the authority of Sherzer†.

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Α.	Surface. Gray fossiliferous limestone. (CaCO <sub>3</sub> , 90.80 to 98.10 per cent; MgCO <sub>6</sub> , 6.87 to 0.63 per cent; Anal. Nos. 458 and 463).	1-2
В.	to 0.63 per cent; Anal. Nos. 458 and 463; Compact brownish and bituminous limestone, weathering bluish; cherty to- ward the bottom with a seam of chert between beds B and C. (CaCO <sub>a</sub> )	1-2
C.	Soft dark gray limestone. (CaCO <sub>2</sub> , 77.60 per cent: MeCO <sub>2</sub> , 17.41 per cent:	4-4)
D.	Anal. No. 460). Similar but higher in calcium carbonate. (CaCO <sub>1</sub> , 95 per cent; MgCO <sub>2</sub> , 3.86	7-8
	per cent; Anal. No. 461)	8

The area under relatively thin drift is apparently between 100 and 200 acres but definite data is lacking though the property has been more or less completely tested by the drill. The area of thin overburden lies between the Macon and River Raisin on the southwest and Saline river on the east and northeast. The surface is only a few feet above the level of these streams which are subject to floods, especially in the spring. To control the flood waters of the Macon a canal from 4 to 6 feet in depth was cut out of solid limestone from the mouth of the stream up for a half mile or more. This will doubtless lessen the violence of the floods but it is very probable that flood waters will give more or less trouble in quarrying operations. Beds A and B and a portion of C are well exposed along the banks of the canal.

In composition Beds A and D are high calcium containing from about 90 to 98 per cent of calcium carbonate, (Anal. Nos. 458 and 463) but B and C contain from about 10 to over 17 per cent (Anal. Nos. 459, 460. 462) of magnesium carbonate.

†W. H. Sherzer, Geology of Monroe County, Vol. VII, Pt. I, pp. 75-76, Mich. Geol. Surv., 1900.

Petersburg. Stone has been removed from the bank of Raisin River and in digging ditches, though no real quarry has been developed. Limestone is said to have been struck at a depth of 4 or 5 feet on the river flats in the SE. ¼, NW. sec. 4 (T. 7 S., R. 6 E.) and at 15 to 24 inches in NW. ¼ NW. ¼ sec. 31. Apparently the limestone at the latter place is highly magnesium.

Summary. In Monroe county there are numerous exposures and areas of easily quarryable stone in the belts underlain by the Upper and Lower Monroe dolomites. The dolomite is generally more or less argillaceous and siliceous, and locally brecciated and contains much sulphur. The harder beds are quarried for rough building stone and crushed for road making, concrete, and railway ballast. The Dundee limestone is exposed or near the surface in only a few places and apparently the most important of these is at the mouth of the Macon river. The beds include both high calcium and low magnesium limestone.

### Presque Isle County.

Distribution. In Presque Isle county, the Dundee limestone underlies a belt skirting the shore of Lake Huron from False Presque Isle northwest into Cheboygan county. The Bell shale, the Long Lake series, the Alpena limestone and the Upper Traverse or Thunder Bay series of the Traverse formation form belts parallel to the Dundee limestone and occupy the remainder of the county excepting the southwestern corner. The Dundee is extensively exposed in the vicinity of Rogers City and Adams Point. The Long Lake series forms a belt of prominent but broken escarpments across the county more or less parallel to the shore of Lake Huron.

The Alpena limestone forms a broad broken ridge extending from the vicinity of Onaway southeast into Alpena County. The exposures are very numerous and many of them very large. The Upper Traverse series is buried under the thick drift deposits of the southwestern portion of the county.

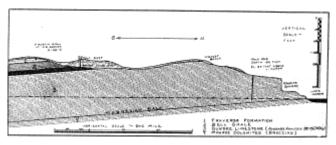


Figure 15. Cross section, Calcite quarry, Presque Isle county to section 3, T. 43 N., R. 5 E.

## Quarries and Localities.

#### Dundee Limestone.

Rogers City. The largest and most important exposures of the Dundee limestone occur in the vicinity of Rogers City. The chief exposure is a high ridge of limestone extending parallel to the shore of Lake Huron from near Swan river west-northwest to beyond Rogers City, a distance of about 5 miles. The eastern portion of the ridge is thinly drift covered and rock is exposed over considerable areas. In places, there are old lake beaches of sand and gravel. The west end of the ridge is partially covered by drift.

A prominent bluff extends along the shore. The top of the bluff is from 50 to 80 feet above the lake. The surface rises gradually toward the south to the maximum height of 160 feet or more at the distance of a little more than a mile. The surface then slopes into a valley on the south parallel to the ridge. The slope is apparently more or less in accordance with the inclination of the beds which is about 40 feet per mile toward the south-southwest. According to the records of wells the bottom of the valley is underlain by shale apparently the Bell shale. Limestone, typical of the Lower Traverse, is exposed in shallow wells on the south side of the valley in sections 2 and 3, T. 34 N., R. 5 E.

Limestone breccias occur at several places along the lake shore at and below water level. These belong to what Grabau\* has termed the Mackinac limestone. These breccias were formerly included in the Monroe formation. The section of the Dundee limestone extends from water level to a height reported to be 160 feet above Lake Huron. If allowance is made for a dip of 40 feet per mile, the total thickness would be approximately 200 feet. The maximum thickness is probably greater than this for the top of the ridge has suffered considerable erosion. Figure 15 shows the general geological relations in the vicinity of Rogers City.

 ${}^{\star}\text{A.}$  W. Grabau. The Devonian Formations of Michigan. Unpublished Mss.



Plate VII. A. Quarry of the Michigan Limestone and Chemical Company at Calcite, Presque Isle county.

This is probably the largest quarry in the world. The quarry face is more than a mile in length and in places fifty feet in height.

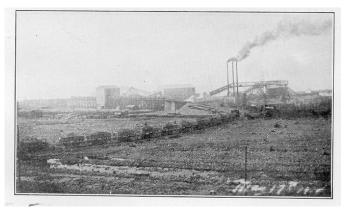


Plate VII. B. Plant of the Michigan Limestone and Chemical Company at Calcite, Presque Isle county.

This is one of the largest and most modern plants in the world.

Calcite quarry. The Michigan Limestone and Chemical Co. of Rogers has opened a very large quarry (Pls. VII A and B) in the eastern portion of the ridge at Calcite. The quarry was developed in the bluff along the lake. It extends from Calcite westward for more than a mile.

The floor of the quarry is from 30 to 35 feet above the lake and the working face is from 30 to over 50 feet in height. The face increases in height as quarrying progresses toward the south because of the increase in the elevation of the rock surface and, at the distance of about a mile from the present face, will be more than a

hundred feet high, the floor of the quarry remaining at the present elevation. The quarry is one of the largest, if not the largest, and most modernly equipped quarries in the world.

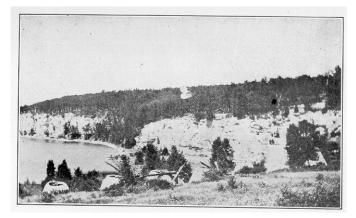


Plate VIII. A. Middle Bluff, Fayette, Garden Peninsula, Delta county.

The bluff, about 125 feet in height, is composed of heavy magnesian limestone of the Manistique series. Formerly the Jackson Iron Company utilized the limestone in smelting iron. The old quarry face is shown at the right center and the tops of old charcoal kilns in the foreground.



Plate VIII. B. John Bichler quarry, four miles north of Escanaba, Delta county.

The beds exposed belong to the Trenton formation and are low magnesian argillaceous limestones.

The beds of the Dundee are dark gray to buff, or "chocolate colored," very bituminous and crystalline, high calcium limestone. Most of them are exceptionally pure. Mr. C. D. Bradley, General Manager, kindly placed at the disposal of the writer a large number of analyses of cores from test holes in the vicinity of Rogers City. The average (see Anal. No. 464) of 235 analyses of the upper 50 feet of cores gave 97.85 per cent of calcium carbonate, 1.26 per cent of magnesium carbonate and 0.34 per cent of silica. Certain thin beds however contain from 3 to 10 per cent of magnesium carbonate and locally the percentage of magnesia for a series of beds is from 3 to 6 per cent. The basal beds of the Dundee contain from 5 to 13 per cent or more of magnesium carbonate (Anal. Nos. 486-7, 527, 594-597 and 664).

Hole No. 5.

1350' N. 50' W. of S. \(\frac{1}{2}\) post Sec. 23, T. 35 N., R. 5 E.
Elevation 86.2 feet above Lake Huron.

No. of Anal.	, Depth.	CaCO <sub>2</sub> .	SiOz.	MgCO <sub>b</sub>	FeAl:O <sub>1</sub> .	CaSO <sub>6</sub>
469 470 471 472 473	5- 8 ft. 8-11 ft. 11-14 ft. 14-17 ft. 17-22 ft.	98.30 97.81 97.50 96.92 96.78	0,32 0,26 0,53 0,45 0,35	1.11 1.42 1.59 1.98 2.61	0.16 0.32 0.31 0.25 0.18	trace trace trace .057 .080
$\frac{474}{475}$ $\frac{476}{477}$	22-24 ft. 28-31 ft. 31-37 ft. 37-40 ft.	97.28 97.12 96.47 96.14	$\begin{array}{c} 0.36 \\ 0.41 \\ 0.46 \\ 0.37 \end{array}$	1.46 2.28 2.59 3.33	$\begin{array}{c} 0.63 \\ 0.15 \\ 0.20 \\ 0.15 \end{array}$	trace .073 .061 .075
478 479 480 481 482	40-48 ft. 48-52 ft. 52-53 ft. 55-61 ft. 61-63 ft.	89.30 95.33 91.56 95.36 93.11	$\begin{array}{c} 0.41 \\ 0.37 \\ 0.45 \\ 0.23 \\ 0.13 \end{array}$	9.80 3.87 7.57 4.16 5.37	$\begin{array}{c} 0.21 \\ 0.19 \\ 0.22 \\ 0.16 \\ 0.15 \end{array}$	.060 .061 .061 .061 .050
483 484 485	Average 0-40' Average 40-58' Average 0-58' Washings.	97.09 92.55 95.29	0.39 0.33 0.37	3.58	0.23	
486 487 488 490	70- 80 ft. 80- 90 ft. 90-100 ft. 90-100 ft.	86.54 81.25 62.70 68.54	3.40 3.02 2.64 2.85	7.34 13.88 32.98 26.54	0,99 0,64 0,62 0,81	.200 .160 .190 .220

The amount of magnesian limestone above the basal beds, however, is insignificant as compared with the amount of high calcium limestone, and does not appreciably affect the average composition of the quarry product. According to Mr. Bradley, the average of cargo analyses (Anal. No. 465) for 1914 gave 97.38 per cent of calcium carbonate and only 1.81 per cent of magnesium carbonate. The above core analyses (Nos. 469-667) show the exceptional purity of the Dundee limestone in the vicinity of Rogers City. Analyses of cores from a number of relatively shallow holes gave similar results.

Exposures of the Dundee limestone occur at several points along the lake for fifteen miles eastward from the Calcite quarry. The most important are in the vicinity of Adams Point. Exposures also occur near Thompsons Harbor. The extent of the areas of Dundee limestone under thin drift cover, however, has not been fully determined in the region east of Calcite.

The exceptionally high average content of calcium carbonate and the low content of silica make the Dundee limestone in the vicinity of Rogers City especially adapted for flux and for general use in the chemical industries.

# Traverse Formation. Long Lake Series.

Exposures of the Long Lake or Lower Traverse series are very large and numerous in the northern part of the county where they commonly occur in the form of prominent bluffs, ridges and hills. A discontinuous line of bluffs extends from sec. 6, T. 33 N., R. 8 E., on the west side of Grand Lake, northwest through sections 19 and 20, T. 34 N., R. 7 E., to the vicinity of Liske, sec. 16, T. 34 N., R. 6 E. Apparently this line of bluffs reappears about 3 miles south of Rogers. A parallel line of bluffs extends from section 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E., northwest of Long Lake toward Hagensville. Detached areas of the Long Lake series occur on the east side of Grand Lake. Some of the beds are very pure but the series is more or less argillaceous and bituminous and contains seams and beds of shale and magnesian limestone.

Development of exposures of Long Lake limestones should be preceded by careful testing with the drill.

Limestone is exposed in a gorge of the East Branch of Rainy river, (S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 26, T. 35 N., R. 2 E.) and is near the surface over a considerable area adjacent. The section exposed is as follows:

#### Section on E. Branch of Rainy river.

#### Drill Hole No. 6.

Calcite quarry, Michigan Limestone and Chemical Co., Rogers City, Presque Isle Co. S. ‡ post of Sec. 23, T. 35 N., R. 5 E. Elevation 105.4 ft. above Lake Huron.

No. of Anal.	Depth.	CaĆO <sub>F</sub>	SiOz.	MgCO <sub>2</sub> .	FeAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> .	CaSO <sub>6</sub> .	
491 492 493 494 495	Surface rock. 6-8 ft. 8-10 ft. 10-12 ft. 12-14 ft. 14-16 ft.	98.76 98.82 97.50 97.37 98.39 97.23	$\begin{array}{c} 0.01 \\ 0.24 \\ 0.17 \\ 0.26 \\ 0.21 \\ 0.25 \end{array}$	0.98 1,11 0.94 0.98 0,94 0.94	0.15 0.17 0.13 0.11 0.11 0.14	0.022 0.010 0.040 6.050 0.040 0.040	
496 497 498 499 500	16-18 ft. 18-20 ft. 20-22 ft. 22-24 ft. 24-26 ft.	98,46 98,49 98,77 98,56 98,42	$\begin{array}{c} 0.21 \\ 0.33 \\ 0.08 \\ 0.13 \\ 0.17 \end{array}$	1.21 $0.96$ $0.95$ $1.06$ $1.11$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.22 \\ 0.21 \\ 0.11 \\ 0.16 \\ 0.20 \end{array}$	0.015 0.029 0.050 0.080 0.070	
501 502 503 504 505	26-28 ft 28-30 ft 30-32 ft 32-34 ft 34-36 ft	98.47 98.47 98.02 98.27 98.13	$\begin{array}{c} 0.12 \\ 0.08 \\ 0.22 \\ 0.22 \\ 0.34 \end{array}$	1.06 1.25 1.43 1.04 1.06	0.19 0.11 0.16 0.17 0.12	0.070 0.060 0.070 0.060 0.070	
506 507 508 509 510	36-38 ft 38-40 ft 40-42 ft 42-44 ft 44-46 ft	98,49 98,54 95,76 97,39 97,89	$egin{array}{c} 0.26 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.38 \\ 0.29 \\ 0.28 \\ \end{array}$	1.13 $1.04$ $3.16$ $1.70$ $1.21$	0.15 0.16 0.31 0.19 0.20	0.070 0.080 0.070 0.070 0.150	
511 512 513 514 515	46-48 ft 48-50 ft 50-52 ft 52-54 ft 54-56 ft	97.47 97.82 97.68 97.71 96.16	$\begin{array}{c} 0.23 \\ 0.27 \\ 0.27 \\ 0.34 \\ 0.25 \end{array}$	1.08 1.38 1.51 1.13	0.16 0.13 0.17 0.12 0.12	0.060 0.050 0.060 0.070 0.050	
516 517 518 519 520	56-58 ft 58-60 ft 60-62 ft 62-64 ft 64-66 ft	90.58 97.06 97.54 97.37 97.41	0.67 0.47 0.43 0.30 0.35	7.21 $1.34$ $1.02$ $0.87$ $1.44$	0.30 0.17 0.12 0.08 0.16	0.070 0.050 0.070 0.080 0.090	
521 522 523 524 525	66-72 ft. 72-76 ft. 76-82 ft. 82-88 ft. 88-104 ft.	97,32 95,05 93,00 88,43 90,95	0.34 0.36 0.32 0.22 0.23	$\begin{array}{c} 1.55 \\ 3.80 \\ 6.56 \\ 10.89 \\ 7.70 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.14 \\ 0.20 \\ 0.19 \\ 0.24 \\ 0.34 \end{array}$	0,060 0,050 0,060 0,080 0,050	
526 527 528	Average 82' Average 82-104' Average 104'	97.18 90.26 94.85	.27 .23 .26	1.93 8.57 3.47	.16 .31 .19	loss .46 86.76 91.26	

#### Drill Hole No. 7.

On section line 1320' E. of S. W. cor. Sec. 23, T. 35 N., R. 5 E. Elevation 110 ft, above Lake Huron.

No. of Anal.	Depth.	CaCO <sub>3</sub> .	SiG <sub>2</sub> .	MgCO <sub>5</sub> .	FeAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> .	CaSO <sub>6</sub>
529 530 531 532 534	4- 6 ft. 6- 8 ft. A. 8-10 ft. 10-12 ft. 12-14 ft.	98.21 98.30 98.23 98.42 98.21	$\begin{array}{c} 0.34 \\ 0.27 \\ 0.30 \\ 0.29 \\ 0.19 \end{array}$	1.13 1.08 1.04 1.00 0.87	0.18 0.16 0.17 0.14 0.09	0.03 0.04 0.05 0.05
535 536 537 538 639	14-16 ft. 16-18 ft. 18-20 ft. 20-22 ft. 22-24 ft.	95.92 97.68 98.48 98.13 98.64	$\begin{array}{c} 0.16 \\ 0.20 \\ 0.18 \\ 0.20 \\ 0.11 \end{array}$	2,12 0,98 0,72 0,95 0,95	$\begin{array}{c} 0.09 \\ 0.15 \\ 0.11 \\ 0.24 \\ 0.17 \end{array}$	0.07 0.05 0.05 0.12 0.06
$540 \\ 541 \\ 542 \\ 543 \\ 544$	24-26 ft 26-28 ft 28-30 ft 30-32 ft 32-34 ft	98.08 98.39 98.39 97.41 97.14	$\begin{array}{c} 0.18 \\ 0.23 \\ 0.27 \\ 0.27 \\ 0.26 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.23 \\ 0.78 \\ 1.02 \\ 1.44 \\ 1.48 \end{array}$	0.13 0.09 0.12 0.11 0.13	0.08 0.11 0.06 0.09 0.10
545 546 547 548 549	34-36 ft. 36-38 ft. 38-40 ft. 40-42 ft. 42-44 ft.	97.14 98.02 98.35 98.45 98.06	$\begin{array}{c} 0.53 \\ 0.20 \\ 0.24 \\ 0.23 \\ 0.46 \end{array}$	1,17 1,42 1,32 1,19 1,06	0.17 0.10 0.10 0.11 0.11	0.09 0.07 0.10 0.09 0.08
550 551 552 553	44-46 ft. 46-48 ft. 48-50 ft. 50-52 ft.	97.66 97.61 97.55 97.89	$\begin{array}{c} 0.33 \\ 0.28 \\ 0.46 \\ 0.27 \end{array}$	1.15 1.17 1.40 1.34	0.15 0.19 0.16 0.13	0.09 0.09 0.11 0.07
554	Average	98.00	. 27	1.16	.14	.075

#### Drill Hole No. 8.

On west side of section 26, T. 35 N., R. 5 E. Elevation 130 ft. above Lake Huron,

No. of Anal.	Depth.	CaCO <sub>5</sub> .	SiO <sub>2</sub> .	MgCO <sub>2</sub> .	FeAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>1</sub> .	CaSO <sub>4</sub> .
555 556	0-20 ft	96.32 96.57	.22	1.68 1.68	.36 .34	

#### Drill Hole No. 9.

Near S. 1 post, sec. 22, T. 35 N., R. 5 E. Elevation 94 ft. above Lake Huron.

No. of Anal.	Depth.	CaCO <sub>1</sub> .	SiO <sub>2</sub> .	MgCO <sub>b</sub>	FeAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> .	CaSO <sub>4</sub> .
557 558 559 560 561	0- 9 ft 9-11 ft 11-13 ft 13-15 ft 15-17 ft	98.36 98.56 98.17 98.20 98.63	$\begin{array}{c} 0.14 \\ 0.26 \\ 0.33 \\ 0.27 \\ 0.20 \end{array}$	1.40 1.36 0.95 1.46 1.34	$\begin{array}{c} 0.12 \\ 0.13 \\ 0.17 \\ 0.17 \\ 0.16 \end{array}$	0.00 0.06 0.07 0.07
562 563 564 565 566	17-19 ft. 19-21 ft. 21-23 ft. 23-25 ft. 25-27 ft.	98.67 98.70 98.78 98.57 98.57	$\begin{array}{c} 0.16 \\ 0.17 \\ 0.18 \\ 0.15 \\ 0.13 \end{array}$	1.22 $1.08$ $1.02$ $1.21$ $0.83$	0.19 0.16 0.16 0.20 0.11	0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05
567 568 569 570 571	27-29 ft 29-31 ft 31-33 ft 33-35 ft 35-37 ft	98.79 98.84 98.88 98.82 98.52	$\begin{array}{c} 0.19 \\ 0.30 \\ 0.39 \\ 0.31 \\ 0.40 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.91 \\ 0.79 \\ 0.72 \\ 0.87 \\ 0.98 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.14 \\ 0.12 \\ 0.13 \\ 0.11 \\ 0.20 \\ \end{array}$	0.05 0.06 0.06 0.06
572 573 574 576 576	37-39 ft 39-41 ft 41-43 ft 43-45 ft 45-47 ft	98,48 98,29 98,78 98,61 98,46	0.37 0.57 0.24 0.44 0.44	0.87 0.88 0.85 0.79 0.85	$\begin{array}{c} 0.20 \\ 0.27 \\ 0.16 \\ 0.16 \\ 0.15 \end{array}$	0.05 0.08 0.05 0.05 0.05
577 578 579 580 581	47-49 ft 49-51 ft 51-53 ft 53-55 ft 55-57 ft	98.17 98.34 98.20 98.46 98.21	0.36 0.21 0.33 0.22 0.47	1.32 1.25 1.31 1.17 0.95	0.15 0.10 0.14 0.18 0.14	0.06 0.05 0.08 0.06 0.06
582 583 584 585 586	57-59 ft. 59-61 ft. 61-63 ft. 63-65 ft. 65-67 ft.	96,65 90,85 97,81 97,81 98,26	0.41 0.60 0.32 0.39 0.25	2.72 8.02 0.91 0.98 1.28	$\begin{array}{c} 0.19 \\ 0.28 \\ 0.16 \\ 0.21 \\ 0.17 \end{array}$	0.07 0.08 0.08 0.08
587 588 589 590 591	67-69 ft 69-71 ft 71-73 ft 73-75 ft 75-77 ft	97.99 98.12 98.48 97.86 98.48	0.24 0.35 0.30 0.34 0.31	1.70 1.57 0.91 1.36 1.13	0.10 0.14 0.13 0.12 0.15	0.07 0.06 0.06 0.06 0.06
592 503 594 595 596 597	77-79 ft. 79-84 ft. 84-86 ft. 88-88 ft. 88-90 ft. 90' 5'-102' 6'.	98.12 97.85 92.23 91.34 94.55 86.43	$\begin{array}{c} 0.31 \\ 0.38 \\ 0.16 \\ 0.14 \\ 0.11 \\ 0.75 \end{array}$	1.24 1.51 6.88 7.91 4.65 12.14	0.15 0.15 0.19 0.21 0.13 0.34	0.06 0.05 0.06 0.05 0.04 0.17
598 599	Average 84'	98.14 97.77	0.33 0.31	1.16 1.51	0.16 0.16	0.06

#### Shot Drill Hole No. 11,

Elevation 90 ft. above Lake Huron.

30. of Anal.	Depth,	CaCO <sub>5</sub>	SiOh	${ m MgCO}_{t}.$	FeAl <sub>1</sub> O <sub>2</sub> .	CaSO <sub>4</sub>
600 601 602 603 604	0-4' 6" 4' 6"-8' 6" 8' 6"-12 ft 12-15 ft.	97.20 98.18 98.45 98.34 97.80	0.49 0.30 0.30 0.11 0.38	1.46 1.47 1.13 1.19 1.34	0.62 0.33 0.40 0.27 0.31	trace trace 0.09 0.09 trace
605 606 607 608 609	18-20 ft 20-24 ft 24-28 ft 28-32 ft 32-37 ft	98.25 98.03 96.11 91.64 96.11	0,29 0,22 0,45 0,30 0,32	1.13 1.78 2.50 7.87 3.34	0,12 0,20 0,41 0,36 0,33	trace 0.09 0.23 0.27 0.29
610 611 612 613 614 615	37-40 ft. 40-44 ft. 44-56 ft. 56-60 ft. 80-63 ft. 77-79 ft.	95,61 97,82 96,80 97,80 95,35 98,03	$\begin{array}{c} 0.25 \\ 0.28 \\ 0.41 \\ 0.22 \\ 0.33 \\ 0.18 \end{array}$	3.97 2.19 2.16 2.04 3.82 1.76	0.34 0.34 0.42 0.43 0.33 0.50	0.35 0.12 trace 0.07 0.09 0.05
516	Average	96.79	0.32	2.48	0.35	
517	79-85 ft	62.58	0.37	38.02	0.50	

An analysis of a set of samples from this exposure gave 92.97 per cent of calcium carbonate, 2.84 per cent of silica, 1.65 per cent of iron and alumina, and 2.27 per cent of magnesium carbonate.

Dark gray crystalline and bituminous limestone is also exposed a half mile north at the falls of Rainy river back of the schoolhouse in sec. 25.

At the falls of the Ocqueoc river in S. W. ¼, S. E ¼, sec. 22, T. 35 N., R. 3 E., the following section is exposed:

	Section at Ocqueoc Falls.	
	No. of bed.	Thickness.
	<ol> <li>Gray crystalline magnesium limestone</li></ol>	feet.
	stone.  Massive dark crystalline and bituminous magnesium limestone  Banded dark bituminous and crystalline magnesium limestone with Acer-	
ı	5. Banded dark bituminous and mottled and streaked magnesium limestone	4
	with numerous cavities, very familiferous in the unner portion	

#### SHOT DRILL HOLE NO. 12.

Property of Michigan Limestone and Chemical Co. Near section line about 1600' W., S. E. cor. Sec. 23, T. 35 N., R. 5 E. Elevation 100 ft. above Lake Huron.

Number of analysis.	Depth.	CaCO <sub>3</sub> .	SiO <sub>5</sub> .	MgCOs.	FeAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> .	CaSO <sub>L</sub>
618 619 620 621 622	0- 4 ft. 4- 6 ft. 6- 8 ft. 8-10 ft.	97.99 98.38 97.81 98.38 98.10	0.27 0.42 0.32 0.31 0.37	2.07 1.23 2.49 1.65 1.23	0.37 0.29 0.11 0.27 0.13	trace trace trace trace trace
623 $624$ $625$ $626$ $627$	12-14 ft. 14-16 ft. 16-18 ft. 18-20 ft. 20-22 ft.	97.81 97.02 98.24 97.10 96.61	0.35 0.59 0.14 0.14 0.19	$egin{smallmatrix} 2.49 \\ 2.49 \\ 2.07 \\ 2.30 \\ 2.10 \\ \hline \end{bmatrix}$	0.22 0.41 0.24 0.14 0.19	trace trace trace trace trace
628 629 630 631 632	22-24 ft. 24-26 ft. 26-28 ft. 25-30 ft. 30-32 ft.	96.61 98.90 97.70 97.01 97.70	$\begin{array}{c} 0.11 \\ 0.11 \\ 0.10 \\ 0.31 \\ 0.24 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 2.30 \\ 2.10 \\ 2.10 \\ 2.32 \\ 2.52 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.11 \\ 0.11 \\ 0.10 \\ 0.31 \\ 0.24 \end{array}$	trace trace trace trace trace
633 634 635 636 637	33-34 ft 34-36 ft 36-38 ft 38-40 ft 40-42 ft	97.10 97.10 97.60 97.60 98.10	0.32 0.41 0.35 0.31 0.26	2.78 1.57 1.89 1.47 1.47	0.32 0.74 0.52 0.48 0.46	trace trace trace trace
638 639 640 650 651	42-44 ft	98.45 97.75 97.45 97.85 96.87	0.28 0.24 0.26 0.23 0.42	$\begin{array}{c} 0.52 \\ 1.26 \\ 1.68 \\ 1.47 \\ 3.16 \end{array}$	0.35 0.39 0.52 0.55 0.27	trace trace trace trace 0.27
652 653 654 655 656	62-54 ft 54-56 ft 56-56 ft 58-60 ft 60-62 ft	96.12 96.37 94.25 96.12 96.12	$\begin{array}{c} 0.29 \\ 0.20 \\ 0.11 \\ 0.26 \\ 0.25 \end{array}$	2.09 2.72 1.88 1.88 1.88	0.25 0.33 4.56 0.35 0.25	0.33 0.13 0.07 0.25 0.29
658 659 660	62-66 ft. 66-79 ft. 70-74 ft. 74-78 ft.	97.60 92.62 97.11 92.13	$\substack{0.25 \\ 0.33 \\ 0.42 \\ 0.35}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.67 \\ 5.87 \\ 1.89 \\ 6.51 \end{array}$	0.22 0.25 1.00 0.80	0.16 0.25 trace trace
661 662 663 664	78-80 ft	91.13 97.61 92.88 92.62	0.08 0.05 0.18 0.37	5.25 1.68 4.20 4.83	3.94 1.30 1.50 1.17	trace trace trace trace
665 666 667	Average 60-92' Average 92' Average 92-100'	94.53 96.32 65.99	0.26 0.27 0.34	3.77 2.59 33.40	1.04 0.64 1.16	0.06 0.044

An analysis of a set of samples from the section gave 34.74 per cent of magnesium carbonate. The very bituminous and magnesian character of the limestone apparently makes it of little economic value.

Grand Lake. A bluff of limestone about 40 feet in height occurs on the west side of Grand Lake in N. E. ¼ sec. 6, T. 33 N., R. 8 E. The following section is exposed:

		feet.
	Drift.  Dark bituminous and fossiliferous limestone with crinoid stems, accevularia,	0-2 +
1.	and brachiopods	2) 6
2.	Gray to dark bituminous limestone with scattered corals and crinoid stems Dark beds of bituminous limestone alternating with seams of coral, Stromato-	6
а.	pera.	10
4.	Talus.	15+

The lower part of the bluff is covered with talus but according to reports shale was struck in a core drilling at 35 feet. The thickness of the shale is unknown but the Bell shale forms the floor of the deeper portions of the lake.

Core drillings put down east of Thompson's harbor in secs. 11, 12, 13, and 14, T. 34 N., R. 7 E., penetrated more or less magnesian limestone. Shale, apparently the Bell, was struck at shallow depths in a number of

core drillings near the south end of Grand Lake in sec. 11, T. 33 N., R. 8 E.

### Alpena Limestone.

The exposures of the Alpena limestone are large and very numerous from the south end of Black Lake southeast into Alpena county. A series of limestone ridges cross the road from Onaway north to Black Lake. The upper beds are generally gray, crystalline and fossiliferous with some very dark bituminous beds. The lower beds, as exposed in Black Lake quarry (see Cheboygan county), are light gray, fine grained to lithographic limestone, locally with small disseminated calcite crystals. A nearly continuous bluff extends from Black Lake for several miles along the south bank of Rainy river.

Numerous exposures also occur in the vicinity of Posen. Their character has not been carefully investigated but most of the limestone is high calcium and probably of commerical grade.

Summary. Presque Isle county has large limestone resources but they have been carefully investigated, only in the vicinity of Rogers City, Black Lake, Thompsons Harbor, and on the east and west sides of Grand Lake. The exposure of the Dundee limestone at Rogers City is the largest, purest and most important of any in the state.

### Schoolcraft County.

Distribution. The Engadine dolomite underlies the extreme southeastern part of Schoolcraft county along the shore of Lake Michigan. The Manistique series forms a belt extending from Garden Peninsula E-NE across the county. The Fiborn limestone and the Hendricks series form successive belts north of the Manistique series. The Cincinnati shales and the Trenton limestone cross the northern and northwestern parts of the county.

Exposures of limestone are very large and numerous in the southern part and rock is thinly drift covered over large areas. The exposures of the Engadine dolomite are usually in the form of bold cliffs. Those of the Manistique series are in a succession of ridges and small escarpments usually extending in a general E-W direction. At or near the northern limit, the series terminates in bluffs 20 to 90 feet in height. The Fiborn limestone is exposed over an area of two or three square miles in the eastern part of the county but westward it is drift covered. The Hendricks series lies almost wholly within the area of deep drift in the northern and western portions of the county.

Quarries and Localities. Engadine dolomite.

Mouth of Bull Dog river. Massive beds of Engadine dolomite are exposed in bluffs near the mouth of Bull Dog river and form the lake bottom for a considerable distance off shore. The dolomite is very massive, crystalline and bluish white with mottlings and streaks of

blue where fresh. Where altered the mottlings have become yellow and brown. The crystalline character and bluish colorations led to considerable core drilling near the mouth of the river a number of years ago in an attempt to prove up a marble deposit.

The dolomite probably would make common building stone. The color is not permanent. Exposure to the weather for a few years is generally sufficient to alter the color to white, yellow, or brown.

Bluffs of Engadine dolomite occur on Seoul Choix Pt. and north of McDonald and Gulliver lakes. The bluff north of the lakes is near the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Ste. Marie Railroad.

Manistique. The Manistique series is exposed in the bed of Manistique river in a bluff in the eastern part of Manistique and at many places northwest from Manistique to "Big Hill" bluff in secs. 21 and 22, T. 42 N., R. 16 W., a distance of about five miles. The name of the series was taken by the writer from Manistique because of the numerous exposures in its vicinity.

Manistique quarry. The White Marble Lime Co. has operated a quarry in the bluff in the eastern part of Manistique for many years. Quarrying began near the south end of the bluff in very cherty limestone. Later operations were begun farther north where these beds are absent. The section exposed in the old and new quarries is as follows:

#### Section in Manistique quarries.

	Old quarries.	Thickness, feet.
2	Sand and gravel.  Light buff crystalline, thin bedded magnesian limestone with many seams of chert nodules 2 to 6 inches in thickness.  Light buff massive magnesian limestone.  Light buff crystalline, thin bedded and magnesian limestone with many nearly continuous seams of chert.	0-3 9-12 1 8 in. 8
	New quarry.	
4	Hard bluish dense grained well bedded dolomite used chiefly for road material, concrete, and railroad ballast. Soft yellowish to white limestone very free from impurities. Used for burning	10 6 in.
-	lime	1 8 in.
•	thicker bedded. Used for burning lime. The chert is chiefly in two beds	7 6 in.
7	and is readily sorted out.  Hard, very massive bluish and fine grained dolomite. Used chiefly for road making concrete site.	46 in.
8	making, concrete, etc.  Buff crystalline magnesian limestone with some chert and dense cavities.  Used for burning lime.	8

Experience has shown that the bluish dense grained dolomites generally burn hard and that the light colored crystalline and fossiliferous limestones burn easily.

The stone is blasted down, loaded by hand, and trammed by horse power to the foot of an incline where it is hauled to the crushing plant by cable. The better quality of stone is burned for magnesian lime and the inferior is used for road making, concrete and railroad ballast. Much of the stone for lime burning is obtained from other quarries operated by the company.

All of the beds are either dolomite or high magnesian limestone. Analysis No. 671 and probably No. 672 are from the upper blue dolomite in the new quarry, Nos. 673-4 from the beds (Nos. 5, 6, and 8) burned for lime.

Marblehead quarry. Marblehead quarry is located about 6 miles northeast of Manistique in S. E. ¼ sec. 35, T. 42 N., R. 15 W. The quarry is opened along the southeastern side and near the top of a ridge. The workings at the time of the writer's visit (1913) were

about 2000 feet long and the face about 8 feet in height. The beds are bluish and very crystalline and resemble the Engadine dolomite. The floor of the quarry is composed of soft yellowish, earthy, fossiliferous and very cherty limestone. It is locally termed "rotten" limestone and is of little value for any purpose.

The upper bed is a pure dolomite as shown by analyses Nos. 675-679. It is burned for lime and is adapted for paper manufacture.

A bluish dense grained dolomite forms the cap rock on a hill about 40 rods east of Marblehead quarry and is underlain by a light yellowish, cherty, "rotten" limestone as in the Marblehead quarry. The blue dolomite is quite different in physical qualities from that in the latter quarry. It can not be satisfactorily burned for lime.

For several miles north and east from Marblehead ridges of limestone are exposed in the fields and in road cuts. The exposures show the same alternating series of bluish, fine grained dolomites and white or light buff, crystalline, magnesian limestones, locally very cherty and fossiliferous as at Manistique. The northern edge of this area of exposures terminates in a line of bluffs on the south side of Manistique river.

"Ninety-foot" Bluff. The highest portion of this line of bluffs is in sec. 8, T. 42 N., R. 14 W., and is locally called the "Ninety-foot" bluff. The section exposed is as follows:

#### Section at "Ninety-foot" Bluff.

		Thickness, feet.
	Surface	0-1 +
1.	Surface. Light colored coarsely crystalline magnesian limestone. Thickness not de-	0-14
		4 +
2.		6+ 12 +
а.		10 7
4.	Hard-fight bull gray densely crystalling and delicately banded delegate	12 -
_		6.+
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5. 6.	Light bill finely crystalline magnesian limestone.	8 +

The lower 30 or 35 feet of the bluff is concealed by talus.

Similar but higher beds are exposed in another bluff called the "Sixty-Foot" bluff near the west quarter post of section 9, T. 42 N., R. 14 W. Analysis No. 700 is from white crystalline dolomite at the top, No. 701 from thin-bedded, light gray, crystalline dolomite 20 feet below, and No. 702 from light gray massive crystalline, dolomite 30 feet from the top. The lower 30 feet of the bluff is drift covered.

"Big Hill" Bluff. "Big Hill" bluff extends through secs. 14 and 15, T. 42 N., R. 16 W., and forms the northern limit of exposures of the Manistique series in this township. The following section was exposed:

Section at "Big Hill" Bluff.

		Thickness,
		feet.
	Surface.  Hard brittle white to light buff finely crystalline magnesian limestone.	0-6+
1.	Hard brittle white to light buff finely crystalline magnesian immestone.	2-0
2.	Buff crystalline limestone having a sugary appearance. Lower part of bed	0.1
	concealed by talus	5 ÷
3.	concealed by talus.  Hard buff gray, densely crystalline, thin bedded dolomite with a smooth con-	
	choodal fracture.  Buff nodular magnesian limestone with fossils, coral and drusy cavities. Bed	0
4.	Buff nodular magnesian limestone with fossils, coral and drusy cavities. Bed	
	partially concealed by talus	8 ±
5.	Hard brittle buff gray thin-bedded, densely crystalline dolomite	7 4
6.	Hard buff thin-bedded, densely crystalline limestone with a smooth conchoidal	
	fracture. The centre of the bed was concealed by talus	14 **
7.	Soft crystalline magnesian limestone resembling brown sugar	3
8.	Buff earthy to crystalline magnesian limestone with druse cavities and fossils,	
	chiefly corals. Weathers to a nodular mass.	
9.	Hard gray, porous crystalline and laminated magnesian limestone	8+

The lower 25 feet of the bluff is drift covered.

Cooks Station. Similar facies of magnesian limestone and dolomite are exposed at many places for several miles northeast of Cooks Station. Formerly lime was burned in this locality. The stone used was from the densely crystalline beds and was said to burn hard.

Analysis No. 698 is from the upper, densely crystalline, beds used for burning lime and No. 699 from the underlying white, coarsely crystalline beds.

A quarry was opened for local building purposes in a low bluff near the center of sec. 28, T. 42 N., R. 17 W. The section exposed was as follows:

		feet.
	Surface	0-6+
1.	Charte year foodliferous (gun corals) limestone	2
2.	Hard buff gray finely crystalline limestone with some fossils in the upper part and many fossils, chiefly cup corals and Stromatopora in the lower part	21
3.	Hard buff gray finely to densely crystalline and very fossiliferous (cup corals) limestone.	1+

Thickness

Limestone is exposed at many places in the northeastern part of Garden Peninsula. The beds are similar in general character to /those on the west shore of the peninsula (see Delta County.)

#### Fiborn Limestone.

Blaney quarry. The White Marble Lime Co. of Manistique operates a quarry located in section 3, T. 42 N., R. 13 W., on the Blaney and Southeastern Railroad. It is near the west end of low flat ridge of Fiborn limestone, nearly a mile in width. The ridge extends eastward through sections 1 and 2 into Mackinac county. The overburden is absent or very thin over much of the area. This is the largest area of Fiborn limestone under thin drift cover in the state.

The Fiborn limestone in the Blaney quarry has a maximum thickness of 26 feet. The stone is poorly bedded. It is gray to buff, very brittle, dense grained to lithographic, high calcium limestone, with a smooth conchoidal fracture, and containing numerous small crystals of calcite. The content of calcium carbonate generally is between 95 and 98 per cent (Anal. Nos. 680-8) and the magnesium carbonate between 1 and 2 per cent. Locally the basal portion of the bed contains more than 2 per cent of calcium carbonate.

The floor of the quarry is a white, coarsely crystalline, heavy magnesian (Anal. No. 689) limestone.

Analyses Nos. 690-1 are from a ridge about 4 feet in height in the S. W. ¼, S. W. ¼ sec. 1, and Nos. 692-3 from a cave near the center of this section.

Whitedale. A small exposure of buff to gray fine grained to lithographic, high calcium limestone occurs about five miles north of White-dale in the road 40 rods west of the N. E. cor. of sec. 11, T. 42 N., R. 14 W. It is similar in every respect to the Fiborn limestone. Small exposures occur in the fields adjacent. The bed is overlapped on the south by gray, crystalline dolomite of the Manistique series which is exposed at a higher level in the fields and in a shallow quarry about 60 rods southeast. The exposures are only a few feet above the level of a swamp and apparently the area of this stone under favorable quarrying conditions is small. An analysis (No.

695) of a hand specimen of the buff lithographic limestone gave 55.35 per cent of calcium oxide and only 1.24 per cent of magnesian oxide.

Several small quarries have been opened north of Whitedale by the local highway officials for road material. The largest of these is in a ridge in the S. E. ¼ sec. 6, T. 42 N., R. 13 E. The quarry is about 14 feet in depth. The beds here are white crystalline limestone. The top stratum is poorly bedded but the lower ones are well bedded. The bottom bed is laminated. The area of quarryable stone could not be ascertained because of heavy timber.

The beds resemble the white crystalline low magnesian beds below the Fiborn limestone in Hendricks quarry, Mackinac county. Analysis No. 696 is of a composite sample from the upper 8 feet and No. 697 of the laminated portion at the bottom.

Summary. Schoolcraft has almost inexhaustible reserves of high magnesian limestone and dolomite. It also has very large reserves of high calcium limestone in the eastern part of the county.

### Wayne County.

Distribution. The Dundee limestone occupies that portion of Wayne county south of a line drawn from Detroit southwest to the southwestern corner of the county with the exception of a small area in the southeastern corner which is underlain by the Monroe formation. There are only a few exposures, most of the county being heavily drift covered.

# Quarries and Localities. Monroe Formation.

Gibralter quarry. A knoll of Upper Monroe dolomite occurs about a mile northeast of Gibralter in sec. 35, T. 4 S., R. 10 E. For a number of years a quarry was operated at this place for building stone, road material, concrete, and railroad ballast. The quarry is about 20 feet\* in depth but was full of water at the time of the writer's visit in 1913. According to Lane† all but the upper bed contain crystals of strontium sulphate. They are similar in general character to the Upper Monroe beds in Monroe county as shown by analyses Nos. 703 to 706.

Formerly a quarry was operated near the south end of Grosse Isle. Exposures also occur on Stony Island. A large amount of dolomite from the Upper Monroe series has been removed from Detroit river at Lime Kiln Crossing by the United States government in deepening the river channel. Stone companies utilize this stone for road making, concrete and railroad ballast.

\*W. H. Shuzer and A. W. Grabau, The Monroe Formation, Pub. 2, Geol. Ser., p. 52, Mich Geol. & Biol. Surv., 1909.

†A. C. Lane, Ann. Rept.

#### Dundee limestone.

Sibley quarry. A knoll of Dundee limestone occurs at Sibley. This is the only exposure of the Dundee in

Wayne county. A large quarry is operated at this place by the Solvay Process Co. of Detroit. The section‡ exposed in the quarry is as follows:

Section.	4.85	Sahlear	401147779904

		Thickness, feet.
1.	Yellow brown to gray thin bedded and very fossiliferous limestone (CaCO <sub>b</sub> , 91%, MgCO, 2.52%; Anal. No. 707)	6
2.	1918; McCO, 2,525; Anal. No. 707) Thin bedded gray to bluick limestone (CaCO <sub>b</sub> , 92%; MgCO <sub>b</sub> , 4,62%; Anal. No. 708) Compact gray very fossiliferous limestone (CaCO <sub>b</sub> , 94,50%; MgCO <sub>b</sub> , 3,36%;	7
3.	Compact gray very fossiliferous limestone (CaCOs, 94.50%; MgCOs, 3.36%; Annl. No. 709) Compact crystalline limestone, bluish where weathered.	2 5
4. 5.	Compact gray to blue fossiliferous limestone (CuCO <sub>2</sub> , 87%; MgCO <sub>3</sub> , 9.45%;	6
6.	Anal. No. 711)  Brittle bluish gray cherty limestone with some fossils. Locally termed the "14-inch fins" bed	1 2 in.
7.	"14-inch ffint" bed. Gray to bluish limestone, more heavily hedded (CaCO <sub>1</sub> , 85.75%; MgCO <sub>1</sub> , 10.29%; Anal. No. 712) Very brittle impure chert with some fossils (810 <sub>1</sub> , 30.87%; Anal. No. 713)	6
8. 9.	Very brittle impure chert with some fossils (SiO <sub>b</sub> , 30.57%; Anal. No. 713). Compact heavily bedded blue to gray fossiliferous limestone (CaCO <sub>b</sub> , 93.50%; MgCO <sub>b</sub> , 2.73%; Anal. No. 714).	9
10.	Oily campact heavily bedded blue to gray magnesian limestone. Less fossiliferous than No. 9. Locally called the "6-foot magnesian" bed (CoCO, 74%; MeCO, 20.38%; Anal. No. 715).	6
11.	Thin bedded gray fossiliferous limestone (CaCO <sub>1</sub> , 87%; MgCO <sub>2</sub> , 9.66%;	8
12.	Anal. No. 716) Light to dark gray fossiliferous and magnesian limestone "12-foot lower manuscian" bed.	127
13.	magnesian" bed. Thin bedded siliceous limestone, poor in fossils.	. 7

Two core drillings were made at Sibley quarry. The following analyses are of the core from the drilling on the west side of the quarry where beds No. 1 to 8 inclusive are absent.

Analysis of drill core, hole No. 2, Sibley quarry.

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Number of analysis.	Depth, feet.	Silica, SiO <sub>3</sub> .	Iron-Alumina. YezOr-AliOn	Calcium carbonate. CaCO <sub>3</sub> .	Caletum oxide. CaO.	Magnesium carbonate. MgCOs.	Magneshim oxide. MgO.	Remarks.
725	0- 5	1.98	1.67	87.63	49.11	8.72	4.17	Bed 9. Quarry beds 1-8 not represented in hole.
726 727 728 729	5-10 10-16 16-20 20-25	1.90 2.78 2.39 0.73	$1.82 \\ 1.67 \\ 1.89 \\ 1.19$	87.26 83.99 81.08 93.26	48.90 47.07 45.44 52.26	9.02 11.56 14.63 4.82	$^{4.31}_{5.53}$ $^{6.99}_{2.30}$	Bed 10. Bed 11. Bed 11. Fossils.
730 731 732 733	25-27 27-33 33-35 35-40	2.21 8.16 7.24 2.63	1,96 0,72 0,99 0,66	81.81 75.99 82.72 92.54	45.84 42.58 46.35 92.54	14.02 15.13 9.06 4.17	6.70 7.23 4.33 1.99	Base of Dundee.
734 735 736 737 738	40-42 42-45 45-48 48-53 53-55	9.50 2.89 4.95 1.50 0.96	$\begin{array}{c} 0.22 \\ 1.57 \\ 0.06 \\ 6.50 \\ 5.01 \end{array}$	87,79 79,99 87,08 68,38 70,54	49.20 44.82 48.80 38.32 39.53	2.49 $15.45$ $7.91$ $23.64$ $23.49$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1.19 \\ 7.39 \\ 3.78 \\ 11.30 \\ 11.23 \end{bmatrix}$	Anderdon.  Differences mainly alumina, iron, and organic matter.
739	55-58	0.54	3.76	59.99	33.63	35.70	17.07	organic indices
740 741 742 743 744 745	38-62 62-65 65-70 70-78 78-80 80-83	0.49 0.29 0.68 0.22 1.05 0.31	2.21 4.01 2.67 2.54 1.92 0.56	64.72 62.36 59.45 54.27 59.15 58.09	36.27 34.94 28.51 30.41 33.15 32.55	32.57 33.34 37.00 43.04 37.88 40.04	15.58 19.94 17.19 18.12 19.15	Flat Rock (?)

A large amount of stone has been removed. Most of the thinly drift covered area has been quarried and the overburden—locally is becoming very heavy.

The high calcium stone is used largely in the manufacture of soda ash and related products. It is also used for sugar and paper manufacture, flux, and agricultural purposes. The more magnesian and impure stone is used for concrete, road making, and railroad ballast.

‡W. H. Sherzer, Geology of Wayne Co. Pub. 12 Geol. Ser. 9, p. 202 Mich. Geol & Biol Surv. 1911.

Summary. The Dundee limestone at Sibley quarry is the only exposure of high calcium limestone in Wayne county. The areas of Upper Monroe dolomite under thin drift are small and of little commercial importance at present.



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