

currence of Lead was discovered some years back at Unionville, in a vein of Galena running through limestone: but, although it is reported, to have been pursued for a short distance with very fair promises, it was not continued. The shaft having been filled up previous to the arrival of the undersigned upon this locality, they are not able to form any opinion as to the importance of the vein from actual observation; but they may venture to state, that it is very desirable it should undergo a careful examination. Manganese, as already stated, occurs near New Market.

In addition to these metallic ores, the same region might be made to furnish Marble of great variety and beauty. Already, at New Market, a fine-grained dove colored marble, capable of receiving a good polish, has been quarried; a red and white marble occurs near Liberty; and a similar variety was formerly quarried to some extent on Sam's creek.

Upon the whole then, the undersigned have no hesitation in expressing their opinion that in the event of a Geological examination of Maryland, the district of country which they have just briefly described, would be found not to yield in interest and in importance to any other part of the state.

Fredericktown valley, so beautiful in its position, and so rich in agricultural resources, is thus bounded on its eastern limits by a country full of interest in a mineralogical and geological respect. Its western limits will be found to possess a full share of the same kind of interest.

Commencing at the extreme northern end of the Catoctin range of mountains, there is observed in the first place, a recurrence of those mineral aggre-