Brammall and Leech furnish a detailed petrographic description of the rock strata overlying the coal. Differences in the degree of compaction and metamorphism establish a contrast between the shales of the bituminous and anthracite region. Anthracite, as would be expected, is associated with the higher pressure conditions.

A fairly complete suite of clay minerals is described in the clay-shal-slate sequence. The occurrence in the South Wales shales of primitive white mica (hydromuscovite, sericite or illite) is recorded. In addition both kaolinite and dickite are present in considerable abundance.

Petrologically the samples examined fall into two contrasted groups: (1) those from three non-anthracite mines, (2) those from anthracite mines. The chief contrast between the two groups lies in the degree of metamorphism that has been brought about by pressure.

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