AGE	ROCK UNIT	LITHOLOGY; THICKNESS WHERE KNOWN	REMARKS	ECONOMIC VALUE .
NARY	Recent alluvium Qal	Sand, gravel, clay; I to IOm thick	Qal, Alluvial material covering terrace remnants in front of cliffs; stream gravel.	Placer gold was worked by native miners in former times.
QUATERNARY	Pleistocene deposits Qdl	Loess, aeolian sand, gravel; 5 to 30 m thick	Qdl, Aeolian loess, redeposited loess, and sand and gravel. Probably the major valley fill during the Pleistocene. Remnants are distributed on terraces along large valleys and in remote passes.	Placer gold was worked by native methods from the gravel bed until very recently, especially in the district south of the Great Wall.
TERTIARY	Neogene basaltb.2	Augite-olivine basalt, pyroclastics; 200 m or more thick	b ₂ , Large flow of augite-clivine baselt, intercalated with some tuff and breccia in the vicinity of Shih-hui- yao-tzu [石灰宮子] and Ying-shu-ying-tzu [為手營子] , in the northern part of the map area. This is the southern edge of the plateau basalt west of Ling-yuan [凌源] . The age of eruption is supposed to be Pliocene.	No recognized mineral value.
MESOZOIC	Rhyolite Rhyolite	pyrociastics, 300 m or more thick	rh, Cretaceous rhyolitic volcanics, consisting mainly of flows and sheets of rhyolite, trachyte, and trachy-andesite; in places intercalated with pyroclastic rock. Also forms dikes, necks, and marginal facies of the acidic intrusive rock. The rhyolitic volcanics are widely distributed along the upper reaches of the Ta-ling Ho [大凌河] . Color varies from gray to light brown.	No recognized mineral value.
	Quartz porphyry	Quartz parphyry arapite parphyry	qp, Occurs as dikes and marginal facies of the g3.	Gold-quartz veins and mercury deposits of the Chou- chang-tzu (周杖子) district, Ching-lung Hsien [靑龍縣], are considered to have a genetic con- nection with the quartz porphyry dikes.
	Cretaceous + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +		g3. Porphyritic granite and granite porphyry. Granitic rock composing the hill of Chia-shan (甲山), in the Yung-ho (永和) coal field east of Hsia-pan-ch'eng [下板城] is an intrusive mass into the LOWER JEHOL FOR-MATION. In the Shih-men-chai [石門寨] coal field the dikes of granite porphyry intrude the LOWER JEHOL coal-bearing formation. These rocks were divided by SASAKURA and UEDA (1937) into "porphyritic granite", approaching a characteristic hypabyssal texture, and "granite porphyry", actually a hypatyssal rock, but approaching plutonic texture.	
	(a) {		Mj, The Jurassic succession of this area generally correlates with the "JEHOL FORMATION" named elsewhere by various Japanese geologists. It is a terrestrial sequence, total thickness between 1,500 m and 2,300 m, divided as follows:	
	Jehol formation (c)	Flows, tuffs, sandstone, conglomerate, oil shale, coal seam. Total thickness 1,500 to 2,300 m	(a) UPPER JEHOL FORMATION (or Upper volcanic series): Consists, in descending order, of an alternating sequence of rhyolitic lava flows, tuffaceous sandstone, conglomerate, several thin beds of fresh water limestone, and beds of rhyolitic tuff. Fossils from the limestone along the upper reaches of the Ta-ling Ho (大東河) were reported as Corbicula anderssoni Grabau, Campeloma tani Grabau, Cyrena sp., etc. Thickness in the upper Ta-ling Ho district is estimated as 500 - 600 m. (b) MIDDLE JEHOL FORMATION (or Jehol formation of Grabau and Chiu-fo-tang formation of R. Endo): Consists, in descending order, of thinly bedded shale, tuff beds with a few interbedded andesite flows, oil shale-bearing beds, and thick conglomerate beds. Fossils from the MIDDLE JEHOL FORMATION were reported as Lycoptera joholensis Grabau, L. joholensis var. minor Grabau, and Estheria sp. Estimated thickness in the upper Ta-ling Ho basin is 360 m; at Chiu-fo-tang it is as thick as 1,000 m. (c) LOWER JEHOL FORMATION (or Lower volcanic series plus lower coal-measure): Consists, in descending order, of thick flows and sheets of andesite and trachyte interbedded with pyroclastic rock; underlain by the coal-bearing formation containing sandstone, shale and coal, and a basal conglomerate. The predominant color of the LOWER JEHOL is purple. Fossils collected from the coal-bearing beds are Cladophlebis sp., C. haiburnensis, Podozamites lanceolatus, and Phoeniopsis sp. The lower volcanic series north of Han-kouch'en (表 新) is about 100 m thick. The thickness of the lower coal-bearing formation (with the basal conglomerate) is at least 300 m at the Yung-ho (永 和) coal field near Hsia-pan-ch'eng (下 板 版).	The oil shale deposits of Chiu-fo-tang [九佛堂] are not economically workable because of their low bituminous content and the difficulty of access. The coal field of Yung-ho [永和] and Wei-chang-kou [囲場渦] extending northeast of Hsia-pan-ch'eng [下板城], the coal fields of Ping-kou [米湊] district southeast of Ling-nan [凌南], and the so-called "upper coal measure" of the Shih-men-chai [石門寨] coal field, Lin-yi, are all classified as the LOWER JEHOL FORMATION. All these coal fields have been operated by native enterprise for many years. The coal seams generally have been affected by the volcanic activity. The coal reserves are not promising.
	Jurassic andesite	Andesite, trachy andesite, porphyrite	a, Consists of andesite, porphyrite, and pyroclastic rock, and is a characteristic feature of the LOWER JEHOL FORMATION. In some places the entire LOWER JEHOL FORMATION is occupied by the JURASSIC ANDESITE. A genetic connection may exist between this formation and the Triassic plutonic rocks.	The time of granitic intrusion of the Triassic is
		Diorite and granodiorite	d, Occurs mainly in association with the TRIASSIC GRANITE.	generally believed to be the principal metallogenetic epoch of this area. A number of goldquartz veins exploited in the past, in and around the Great Wall District, probably have a genetic connection with the TRIASSIC GRANITE. A Japanese mining company carried on extensive gold prospect workings around Ta-chang-tzu (大障子) before World War II.
PALEOZOIC	Triassic granite + '-g'2+' + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	quartz syenite, quartz monzonite, felsitic granite ty~~~~	g ₂ , Consists of biotite granite, biotite-hornblende granite, quartz syenite, quartz monzonite, and felsitic granite. Pebbles from this formation occur in the basal conglomerate of the JEHOL FORMATION.	
	Permian formation	Shale, sandstone, conglomerate, coal; thickness 450 m ±	Pu, The PERMIAN FORMATION is uppermost Paleozoic, but possibly includes some Upper Carboniferous beds. This terrestrial formation generally overlies the Lower Ordovician limestone. The lowest part of this formation is occupied by the fire-clay "G" bed. Fossils such as Calamites sp., Lepidodendron, and Oculiferius Goepp. have been reported from the coal beds of the coal fields of Shih-men-chai [石門寨], Lin-yu Hsien [臨榆縣], and Wu-tao-ling [五道孝], Ping-chuan Hsien [平泉縣], etc. The PERMIAN FORMATION consists of sandstone, shale, and conglomerate, and is generally coal-bearing. Upward it may grade into a Triassic sandstone, but this possible transition cannot be observed owing to the Jurassic rock cover. A thickness of about 450 m is estimated at the Shih-men-chai coal field. A thin limestone lens, containing fragments of crinoids and corals, was reported by R. KIMURA (1928) from a horizon near the base of the Permian coal measure of Shihmen-chai. From this it is inferred that a stratum of the marine Upper Carboniferous may be included at the base of this PERMIAN FORMATION.	The coal fields of Sung-shu-tai [松樹台], Wu-tao-ling [五道苓], Ta-miao-ling [大唐苓], as well as the lower coal-measure of the Shih-men-chai coal field are all classified as Upper Paleozoic. Coal mines around the district of Shih-men-chai have been worked for many years by regular working methods. The coal of the Permian formation is generally high-rank bituminous, and has undergone the effects of igneous contact.
	Cambro-Ordovician formation	Shale, slate, marly shale, limestone	Pl, The CAMBRO-ORDOVICIAN FORMATION of the Lower Paleozoic, as ascertained by fossil evidence, includes much smaller areas than was formerly supposed. The Lower Paleozoic of the Shih-men-chai (石門菜) district, as studied by various Japanese geologists, consists of Lower to Upper Cambrian shale, slate, calcareous shale, and limestone, and Lower Ordovician marly shale, dark gray limestone, magnesian limestone, and vermicular limestone. Fossils from the Ordovician of Shih-men-chai district are cephalopods such as Manchuroceras, Kaipingoceras, Chihlioceras, and Yehlioceras. The Cambrian of same district yields Foorthis, Agnostus, Ptychaspis, Quadratiocephalus, Changshania, Drepanura, Anomocare, Solenopleura, Blackwelderia, Redlichia, and Girvanella. Calvinella and Orthoceras were reported from a Lower Ordovician limestone hill south of Chiu-fo-tang [九佛堂]. Fragments of Actinoceras sp. and Maclurea sp. were obtained in the Sung-shu-tai [松樹台] coal field area.	No recognized mineral value.
PRE - CAMBRIAN	Para - Unconfor	Limestone, phyllite, slate, quartzite, conglomerate, sandstone	pGu, The SINIAN SYSTEM of the Upper pre-Cambrian unconformably overlies the gneiss complex. The upper boundary, at the base of the Lower Cambrian beds of the CAMBRO-ORDOVICIAN FORMATION, is generally concealed by a thick cover of the Mesozoic volcanic series. The SINIAN SYSTEM of this area can be divided generally into the upper and lower formations. The upper formation consists, in descending order, of limestone, siliceous byllite and calcareous slate. The lower formation, in similar order, consists mainly of thickly bedded quartrite, siliceous sandstone, and a basal conglomerate. No great unconformity has been observed between upper and lower formations, but the bottom of the upper formation is generally marked by several beds of red slate.	A few limestone quarries have been operated to supply local lime kilns.
	Gneiss complex (Tai - shan complex) The shape of the sha		ggn, The GNEISS COMPLEX is the so-called "Tai-shan complex (秦山系)" of Northern China. This is believed to be the foundation rock of the region and covers broad areas around the so-called "Great Wall District". It consists of various gneissose granites (migmatite), injection gneiss, and crystalline schist. Gneissose diorite, lamprophyre, and pegmatite also occur.	Many gold deposits have been found within the gneiss. However, these gold deposits are believed to have been genetically connected with the granitic intrusions of later ages.

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