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Mr. Bill Phipps,
El Dorado High School
El Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

My friend, Walter Houston, told me several years ago of a meteorite you had. I have known Mr. Houston for many years; in fact, we have shared the pleasures of amateur astronomy by correspondence for something like 25 years.

I am really in a family dry goods business here, but have become especially interested in collecting meteorites. I do not profit from them in any way, but keep a goodly number on display in various places, especially at the Children's Museum here in Fort Worth.

Would you consider selling the one you have? I would be glad to negotiate with you, and if I could procure it, would put it on exhibit here.

The old, weathered stone chondrites are chiefly of value for that purpose only. Investigating scientists and chemists shy away from detailed work on them because of the considerable extent of oxidation which has occurred in them since their fall.

I enclose a stamped envelope and will appreciate your kind response.

Sincerely,