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Dear Lincoln:

It is mighty good to hear from the old fire-eater once more! No, I did not get to see Fredericksson on his way back, and hence got no news from you in that respect. Do you realize it has been years since I have seen you, or even had a letter from you? That is not to complain aboutyour staff or Jean, who have always answered me at once and cordially, but the old master himself has so isolated his corpus that on several occasions when I thought I would see him or even tried to, all was futility! The last attempt was last summer when I was on vacation in Santa Fe and tried to phone you, only to get a rather discouraging blanket announcement that you were most distinctly not available.

I still have no concept of what has happened to you or your activities. I really would like to know some day, before we meet in Heaven, where I suppose we jointly assume we are going.

The Oklahoma meteorites I described to you were fround on land of Mr. John Whiteley, Route 2, Tishomingo, Oklahoma. The actual finder was a neighbor boy, Glen Harris Orr, son of R. C. Orr. These are the parties with whom I am negotiating directly. I do greatly appreciate your willingness to recognize my priority. Frankly, they have promised me first chance at acquiring these on several occasions when I have been up there, but you know those kind of promises don't always mean too much. I think they are more likely to write others in an honest effort to ascertain values, and one cannot blame them.

Contrary to the Lake Murray, there was very little oxidized crust around these objects.

I was always unhappy at the friction between you and N. as each of you has been a good friend to me.

Yours sincerely,