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Mr. Oscar E. Monning  
312 West Leuda  
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Monning:

I appreciate your letter of January 15th and the offer to help pay for the meteorite if it can be purchased.

Up to the present time the owners have an enormously exaggerated idea of the selling price of the stone. They told me they had two offers which I do not believe to be genuine offers. These gave them their big ideas. I suggested to them that they accept one of the offers mentioned and I talked to them for some time about safeguarding their stone so that it would not get out of their hands without their getting the full amount of the offer.

Mr. Nininger of Denver was passing through Joplin, Missouri, so he came on down here to see the stones and look over the territory where the two stones were found. I had a very pleasant and instructive visit with him.

The sulphur in the stones was detected by applying hydrochloric acid to a portion of the unburned surface. This is the only test that has been made. I expect to get Mr. Nininger to make a petrographic analysis *but am waiting* on negotiations for the larger stone. So far no other pieces have been found.

Very truly yours,

*Davis P. Richardson*

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