GROOTFONTEIN METEORIC IRON

The meteorite from which these specimens were cut lies in Southwest Africa. It is the largest meteorite known weighing about 100 fons. It fell centuries ago. A thick layer of iron shale due to rusting has formed about it. These specimens were obtained on the Fourth Academy-Vaux mineralogical expedition 1930.

GROOTFONTEIN METEORITE 21567

This meteorite was found in Hoba West, Grootfontein, Bechuanaland, S. W. Africa. The date of the fall is not known and this is a section of the largest meteorite in or out of any museum. The meteorite is still lying in the pit which it dug out when it fell and its weight has been estimated to be in excess of 60 tons.

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