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Name: THE DISCOVERY OF THE TRIFIR METEORITE

Name: T R I F I R.

The locality of fall or find:

about 50-60 km to the SE of Trifir, West Sahara,
Sudan; $\varphi = 20^{\circ}03' N$, $\lambda = 1^{\circ}41' W$.

The date of fall or find:

found 1956, May 20.

Class and type: STONE, olivine-hypersthene chondrite.

The number of separate specimens:

1; the size 10x7x6 cm; the shape is irregular
without crust of fusion.

Total weight: 1 kg.

The circumstances of the fall or find:

the meteorite have been found and picked up by
M. Rouaix Serge, geologist of the Federal Manage-
ment of Mines and Geology of the French West
Africa. The meteorite was lying on the loose
ground of the desert covering the continen-
tal deposits of Upper Cretaceous Systems.
Perhaps some fragments have remained on the
place of find and they have not been collec-
ted because the origin of the stone have not
been recognized in the moment of find.

The meteorite is preserved in the collecti-
on of Paris Museum of Natural History.

Sources:

The Meteoritical Bulletin of the Laboratory of
Mineralogy of the Paris Museum of Natural
History, May, 1957.

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