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## Welcome to Wrights Rock Shop

At Denver, there were several new finds or remnants of pockets delivered to me at the show.

I received the rest of the pocket of pyrolusite that needed to be cleaned. The pieces are from cabinet to small minatures and will be posted when I return home.

Minerals that I did not photograph but are new are blue (a more true blue) quartz from Brazil; various older specimens from collections; azurite "dollars" in matrix and the largest and best red quartz on fluorite from China that has been found.

Mesolite on Thompsonite - Aurangabad, Maharashtra, India. I new find of very aesthetic thompsonite with mesolite needles extending from the thompsonite "ball". We were able to choose the most aesthetic pieces from a small lot. The pieces range from large minature to large cabinet.

Calcite - Nandan, China. Very clear calcite that reminds one of quartz. This is one of the best pieces from the limited find from October of last year

Cuprite on Copper - Rubtsovsk, Altai Kraj, Siberia, Russia. According to Russian specialist, this is the only spinel twin specimen that has been found in that area. Very good crystals are on both sides on the specimen.

Andradite variety Demantoid - Jeffery Quarry, Quebec, Canada. A relatively new find of demantoid garnet from Jeffery Quarry. Jeffery Quarry has produced some best hessonite ever found, but demantoid has seldom been found in the area. The specimens range from large thumbnail to small cabinet.

Purple Topaz on Quartz - Brumado, Brazil. The specimens are very good color topaz on aesthetically arranged quartz (Much better than in the photograph). The find occurred last December and was brought to Tucson by Luiz Menezes. I purchased the best from Tucson, and the best from the remainder of the pocket from him and a Brazilian collector. There are some very small clusters of purple topaz without quartz and one of the largest singles of purple topaz found in

Brumado.

Apophyllite - Nasik, India. The intense green crystals reminds of of very good green fluorite. The pocket was very small with being one of the best pieces.

Calcite on Fluorite - Sichuan, China. One of the most aesthetic specimens that I have seen of this material. It is a cabinet size specimen of a single doubly terminated.

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We will be adding the new specimens as soon as possible when we return. If you have any questions, please e-mail me.

Please look at the New Finds Column to see images of many of the pieces..

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