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**Subject:** Minerals (including 34 old-find Bournonite specimens)

New minerals are now online at johnbetts-fineminerals.com

New minerals were added to my site moments ago. The minerals are now available for viewing at these 2 pages:

New Listings Page 1a (over \$50) New Listings Page 1b (under \$50)

or

http://www.johnbetts-fineminerals.com/jhbnyc/newlist.htm http://www.johnbetts-fineminerals.com/jhbnyc/newlist1.htm

## NOTE: NEW MINERALS ARE ONLY ACCESSIBLE AT THE LINKS ABOVE.

They are <u>not added to the locality and mineral galleries</u> until they are online a week.

- Wulfenite from Red Cloud Mine, Arizona
- Fluorapatite from Anemzy, Imilchil, Morocco
- Brochantite from Milpillas Mine, Mexico
- Linarite on Quartz from Grand Reef Mine, Arizona
- Topaz, Smoky Quartz, Microcline from Diamond Rocks, Hare's Gap, Ireland
- Sphalerite (Spinel-Law twinned crystals) from Second Sovietskiy Mine, Russia
- Phosphohedyphane, Mottramite, Mimetite from Cove Vein, Whytes Cleuch, Scotland
- Prehnite pseudomorphs after Laumontite with Apophyllite from Mumbai, India
- Schorl Tourmaline from Erongo Mountains, Namibia
- Liddicoatite Tourmaline (polished slice) from Alakamisy Itenina, Madagascar

## PLUS 34 specimens of Bournonite from Yaogangxian Mine, China.

This week I am posting all of the remaining bournonite specimens acquired last year from Georg Gebhard, the famous mineral collector and authority on Tsumeb. Bournonite from China first appeared on the mineral market in 1989 with erroneous locality information, probably caused by Chinese dealers trying to conceal the true source of the bournonite crystals. After about 4 years it was finally revealed that they originated from the Yaoganxian Mine. Gebhard and other German collectors obtained these in the late 1990s when it was possible for collectors to lease the mine for specimen collecting. Gebhard used these for trading with mineral museums and mineral collectors. The size and quality of these bournonite crystals is exemplary and

few are available from other sources these days. Rather than offer a few every week, I decided to post all available at one time.

Sincerely,

John Betts, owner

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