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Mineralogical and
chemical analysis of
meteorites provides
information about
conditions both before
and shortly after the
formation of the Solar
System. This is a
section of the Indarch
meteorite, a chondrite
which fell in 1891 in
Azerbaijan.



The Perseid meteor
shower produces
many bright meteors
and fireballs (above
magnitude -5), such
as this one
photographed by P.
Parviainen, Finland.