

Si du ciel ne restait qu'une seule pierre

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On April 26, 1803, thousands of stones fell on the town of Aigle, in Lower Normandy. The Institute instructs a young physicist to investigate this phenomenon which intrigues scientists. Jean-Baptiste Biot arrives at the Eagle on the evening of June 30th. For six days he paces the grove in search of stones fallen from the sky and questions many witnesses of the fall. Back in Paris, he wrote a detailed report whose lapidary conclusion, "he fell from the stones to the Eagle," brings meteorites into the field of science. In the fall of 2017, Julien Magre and Matthieu Gounelle went to the Eagle with the map drawn up by Biot more than two centuries ago. As they walked, they developed this book on stones, sky and absence.

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