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FIELD COLUMBIAN MUSEUM.

No 3259 Country Peru.

People Cuzco.

Locality

Name Large brown mottled
stone mortar = 2 loop handles.
over.

Collection Emilio Montez.

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Where Placed

Notes Numerous fine specimens

Beautiful stone bowls are typical of the Inca period. Used as votive receptacles. Offerings of corn or chicha (maize beer) may have been placed in them to be sacrificed to the gods. It is even possible that they served as receptacles for human blood. Probably they were hollowed by drilling small holes until pieces could be broken out, and then smoothed and polished with sand.