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Dear Mr. Marsh. I find in re averanging my papers a package of wood cuts that I obtained for for nearly two years ago + which I supposed had gove forward long since. They are intended to illustrate the possibility of engraving complicated pictures ou wood from photographs printed upour the swiface from negatives. The photographs in question were taken by Maj. Towall on his expedition and the sterescopic negatives were taken at the time and printed direct on the blocks, I sow send them after the long delay knowing gour interest in everything connected with this branch of art. Ha got back from the