

191 HUMPHREYS (WM.) A COLLECTION of 144 Splendid Line Engravings, 8vo and 4to, including portraits of Napoleon, Washington, Purcell, Carlyle, Dunlop, Master Lock, illustrations to Novels, Plays and Poems, Proof Designs for Postage Stamps, Bank Notes, etc., mounted in sm fol hf mor scrap book, and accompanied by an interesting double-page autograph letter from the engraver to Thos. Holloway.

William Humphreys, a line engraver was born in 1793. He went to America at an early age and produced a large number of plates in illustration of the works of American Poets, he was also much employed at Philadelphia upon engraving vignettes for banker's notes. He afterwards came to England, where he was employed in similar work, and engraved the head of QUEEN VICTORIA on some of the POSTAGE STAMPS. He also executed, besides the minor works, some important plates as well as several illustrations for the "Bijou," "Forget me Not," and other annuals. He died in 1865 at Genoa.—BRYAN'S "Dictionary of Painters and Engravers."

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Ever, dearest Anna,

Yours

W. Humphreys.

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