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Dear Mr. Monnig:

Your letter of a few weeks ago arrived while I was away from St. Louis, having had to make a business trip to Washington, D.D., with an associate, and when I got back after having stayed longer than I had expected to, I was busy trying to catch up with lab. work, and couldn't give consideration to anything else.

You are quite welcome to examine the "Lampasas" stone as a whole, here, or the separate small fragments which I have, and which I am sending you parcel post. I would not like to send the large stone away for the purpose, as the small pieces have all the characteristics of the larger.

One was cut and polished more or less efficiently with fine and finer grades of emery. You can get a fair idea of six sides of the small polished specimen. Portions of the interior of the stone when heated before the blowpipe yield the white product characteristic of the outer crust. In other words when the stone entered our atmosphere it became hotter and hotter until a fused crust formed. I will wait with any negotiations until you have examined the specimens.

Very truly yours,

