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Letter from John Muir to Annie [L.] Muir , 1896 Jan 1.

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Martinez, Jan 1, 1896

Sister Annie.

David came over day before yesterday with all the notes mother gave him when he gave her the house & I got out the three you & mother gave me & we counted up the whole indebtedness interest & all & found it amounted to \$3016.43.

Now David says that the price agreed on definitely for the house & lots between him & mother was \$2600, but because he had placed a \$500 mortgage on the property he refused to take more than \$2100 with the understanding that the balance \$500. would be allowed when the mortgage was lifted. Therefore the balance due you is \$416.43. He agreed to send you \$100 at once, in case you should be in need & to send the balance, & lift the mortgage as soon as the maintenance money arrives, then all will be square between you & him. As to whether \$2600 was too much for the house & lots is not my business nor yours. It was the price agreed on between mother & David. I have no reason to doubt that David has kept a perfectly true & complete acct from the beginning. Trusting you will now be satisfied & wishing you a happy New Year & all the family the same I am ever your brother John

Since writing this letter I was over at David's & he told me we had failed to see that 40 odd dollars had been paid & interest on one of the notes so with interest this makes the sum owing you \$53 less J.M.