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Letter from Mark B. Kerr to John Muir, 1891 Nov 7.

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Nov^r 7, 1891

Prof John Muir.
Martinez Cal.

My dear Prof Muir, Remembering our talk of joining forces in making an Alaskan trip, I write to tell you that I have received overtures from the Topog. branch of the Geol. Survey to take another party to Alaska + continue the Topographic Survey of St. Elias + vicinity. -

The Topographic Survey will contribute as much as the Law will allow them and I feel confident that I can raise the balance needed to make the Expedition a success. -

Please let me know if you will co-operate with me for I want to arrange everything + have transportation by Gov't vessel as early as possible + try + reach the Mt. by June 1st if possible, and you will have entire charge of the Geologic work but we can readily formulate a plan if you can arrange to join and aid me. -

I shouldn't wonder if we would

succeed in not [redacted] scalp of
Elias but cra [redacted] a bold attempt
for Mangell [redacted] the Copper
River. - How [redacted] enough to talk
of what we want, the question is can
you make it. -

In mean time as the Expedition
is not officially started, let the matter be
between us. -

I am
Cordially your friend
Mark B. Koss