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Letter from John Muir to Helen [Muir], 1892 Apr 18.

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Portage Wis.
Monday Morning
April 18. 1892

My dear Helen - It is very
lonely when I can't see you
though ever so many beautiful
children are here. Sometimes
I don't feel well & a touch of
your little hand would make
me better. It is pretty cold
this morning & no flowers or
leaves are to be seen yet
but I saw a robin gathering
strings of bits of cloth to make a
nest & that shows that spring will
soon be here. I saw a very pretty
blue jay in the yard this morning.
Far prettier than the California jay
but his voice is not good.

Joanna's little girls are sweet
How fine it would be if you & Wanda
could see them. This country seems

very cold. The maple buds
are just beginning to swell.

Your Grandma Muir is anxious
to see you & Wanda, but though
she is a good walker she
can not walk to California
& she says she is not able
to ride in the cars.

I suppose I've written
a very dull letter for
I feel dull. I'm so
homesick without you
But - pretty soon I'll see
you again & feel your
soft little hand. Your loving father
John Muir

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