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Letter from Carl C. Zeus to John Muir, 1892 May 15.

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San Jose, Cal.

May, 15th, 1892.

My dear Mr. Muir:

Your kind letter was received and I will make my headquarter in your hidden cabine, if you kindly permit me to do so. Please give me a letter to some person, who is in charge of the premises; or shall I write to the Governor for a permit to pitch my tent where I please?

Inclosed prospectus will interest you, perhaps the Sewing Publishing Company may do something to aid the enterprise and I hope that you may write up for us Middle and Northern California. You are a true artist and I will take great pains to execute in colors what you described so beautifully.

I have sent some of ^{my} best watercolor paintings of Southern California to Hanfstaengl Royal Art Publishing House in Munich (my native city) to be reproduced in Aquarell Gravure style; in return I was congratulated, that my sketches were the best representation ever seen abroad of our beautiful atmospheric tints, beculiar only to Southern California.

and was requested to send the whole series to the
Royal Kunstverein, after the World's Fair is over.

When I return from my round-trip, Yosemite
Valleys and Shasta Region, I will bring you all
my California sketches to criticise them, among them
your "hidden cottage" for yourself.

Yours very truly

Carl C. Zeus.

of snow on the grass now
which fell last night - and it
is nearly ten o'clock in the
forenoon;

Father said
the day ~~at~~ he died there was
not a better man than you
to go to for advice, so we have
chosen you to advise us, for
Father's word is law.

Please answer us as soon
as convenient.

Yours very respectfully

Clayton Horton

William Horton

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Buffalo Wis.
May 20th - 92

Mr Muir

Dear Sir,

You no doubt expected
to hear from us before this, but
we have met with a sad loss
since we saw you, Dear old
Father is gone forever, he died
very suddenly with heart failure
the next Thursday night - after we
saw you, he had not been
very well for three weeks, but
he seemed quite well that day
and felt quite encouraged, he
left no will but had been
talking with a Lawyer a while
before and telling him how he