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Sept. 25, 1892.

My dear Mr. Muir,

I was very sorry that I was not at the Club yesterday when you were there. As I had not heard from you, the matter had, I am humiliated to say, been forced from my mind by the pressure of other things; and I did not reach the Club till a few minutes after you had left. At first it was thought you were still there and Mr. Jait had one of the boys look, but unfortunately you had gone. As soon as I had had my lunch I started out to look for you and spent the afternoon in a vain endeavor to find you. I went to Keith's studio and found that you had been there, but had gone. Mr. Keith thought it probable that you would go home on the 4:30 boat, so I was at that boat but did not see you among the passengers. As there was a train for Martinez at 5:30 I waited till then, putting in the

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hour till then in running up to the Club again to see whether possibly you had returned there. On the 5:30 boat to my great disappointment I again failed to see you. I cannot only ask your pardon for my carelessness, and explain it by the fact that I wrote a dozen letters at the time I wrote to you and since then have had a great deal on my mind.

As the ms. is now in the printer's hands, I hope you will send me the committee lists by mail. If I get them in time, the pamphlet will be out this week.

We really ought to have a meeting of the Board of Directors next Saturday. Mr. Kerr leaves on Oct. 5th, and wishes to make a final statement and turn his accounts over to his successor before he goes; and the Club is urged to take some action in regard to Caminetti's

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bill to reduce the size of the Yosemite National Park. I understand that the bill has passed the Lower House and our only chance to stop it is to work on the Senators. Very prompt action seems to be necessary. If you will authorize me, I will send out notices calling a meeting at 11 o'clock next Saturday at Mr. Clever's office.

Have you heard of Geo. Bayler's misadventure on Mt. Rainier? He had a bad fall and broke three ribs. Hard on him but will make a good paper for some future meeting of the Club.

Hoping you will pardon my failure to meet you yesterday, I remain,

Yours very truly,
Wm. D. Arnes.

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