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Letter from Daniel Muir [Father] to John Muir, 1874 Mar 19.

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We are all well your dear mother sends her love to you.
Your affectionate Father in Christ
Daniel Quir

For your
ever pray

Portage City
March 19th 1874

My very Dear John

Were you as really happy as my wish would make you you would be permanently so. in the best sense of the word. I received yours of the 3rd Inst with your slip of paper but I had read the same thing in the Wisconsin. Some days before I got yours I then I wished I had not been it. because it hurried up my feelings so with another of your hair breadth escapes. Had I seen it to be God's work you was doing I would ^{have} felt the other way but I knew it was not God's work. although you seem to think you are doing God's service. if it had not been God's boundless mercy you

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I sent you they can see gods love
power & glory in every thing. and it
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Sight & Eys from the things that are
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to Gods holy word. It is of no use to
look through a glass darkly when we
have the Gospel & its fulfillment.
and when the true practicable believer
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with himself all the time. & reigning
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that the World & the church of the
World will glory in such as you. but
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used in first chapter

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My very dear John:

Were you as really happy as my wish would make you, you would be permanently so in the best sense of the word. I received yours of the 3 inst. with your slip of paper, but I had read the same thing in "The Wisconsin," some days before I got yours, and then I wish-ed I had not seen it, because it harried up my feelings so with another of your hair-breadth escapes. Had I seen it to be God's work you were doing I would have felt the other way, but I knew it was not God's work, although you seem to think you are doing God's service. If it had not been [for] God's boundless mercy you would have been cut off in the midst of your folly. All that you are attempting to show the Holy Spirit of God gives the believer to see at one glance of the eye, for according to the tract I send you they can see God's love, power, and glory in everything, and it has the effect of turning away their sight and eyes from the things that are seen and temporal to the things that are not seen and eternal, according to God's holy word. It is of no use to look through a glass darkly when we have the Gospel and its fulfilment, and when the true practical believer has got the God-head in fellowship with himself all the time, and reigning in his heart all the time. I know that the world and the church of the world will glory in such as you, but how can they believe which receive honour one of another and seek not the nonour that cometh from God only, John 5, 44. You cannot warm the heart of the saint of God with your cold icy-topped mountains. O, my dear son, come away from them to the Spirit of God and His holy word, and He will show our lovely Jesus unto you, who by His finished work presented to you, without money and price. It will kindle a flame of sacred fire in your heart that will never go out, and then you will go and willingly expend it upon other icy hearts and you will thus be blessed infinitely in tribulation and eternally through Jesus Christ, who is made unto us of God wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption. I Cor. 1, 30, 31. And the best and soonest way of getting quit of the writing and publishing your book is to burn it, and then it will do no more harm either to you or others. And then, like Paul, look to the cross of Christ and glory in it, and as in the sight of God and in Jesus Christ, my only Lord and Master, I hereby say Amen to it.

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[Folder marked "Father's letters from Portage 1874 after reading account of my storm night on Shasta and from Hickory Hill, Jan. 1872 and Portage and others of 1860 when I was in Prairie du Chien."]