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Letter from Chas. Warren Stoddard to John Muir, 1874 Jul 8.

Charles Warren Stoddard

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Chas. W. Shedd

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John W. Shedd

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Rome the Eternal
8th July 74.

Dear Se-man.

Rome is running rivers
of good honest - sweet just-
now, would you like it,
think you? It gives much
to see you forcing it among-
st these dreary ruins,
how ugly they are, and the
Old City its self is a kind
of respectable bore.

Rome in the Sierras!
There is all the difference
between them that - there is
between home dust - and
young granite. There is
no fine-spiced air here;
our lungs are full of
infinitely small relics of
the past; the Coliseum and

From the Journal
of J. M. Smith
July 21st

Dear Sir -
I have a manuscript of
my travels - which you
may wish to see. It
is a full and complete
history of the trip
and contains much
of interest to you
and your countrymen.
I have a copy of it
which I will send you
if you wish. It is
a very interesting
and valuable
document.

The Gullacomb has contri-
buted toward the natural
earth deposits we are
exposed to nourish in
our bosoms. It is not clean,
or sweet, or wholesome.

Oh, from of the hills
send me one hoaried breath
with a dash of snow in
it and I shall know that
you have not forgotten me
because I have dropped
behind your horizon of
Adamsland!

Ever your friend,
longing to be where he is
not - regretting the change
when it comes -

Chas. Warren Strickland.
John Muir
Somewhere!