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Letter from D[avid] G. Muir to John Muir, 1874 Dec 16.

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# Office OF Parry & Muir

Dealers in

Dry Goods, Fine Clothing, Boots and Shoes, &c.,

Portage, Wis., Dec 16 1874.

Dear Brother John

You in your last letter have mentioned money matters & thought today I would try to make a statement. You stated that you did not know the difference between my acc with you & that of Parry & Muir - what I got of you is signed D & Muir & the notes or receipts of Parry & Muir are signed with the firm name. As near as I can make out

I owed you before your earliest date \$88.00

The firm owes you	also Oct 12/66	198.00
June 12/69 278.25	Nov 20/66	90.00
Dec 16/69 353.08	Dec 24/70	385.00
Sep 26/71 582.50		
<u>7213.88</u>	Total amt I owe	Personal \$761.00

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Now for <sup>(23)</sup> what I have paid out  
for you

1867	Oct 22	pd expenses chgs & on payments	2 28
	" 23	" Dan Muir	27 00
	Dec 5	Sent you to Cedar Key	75 00
1868	Jan 30	pd chgs on Prox from Cedar Key	3 85
	Feb 11	" " " "	1 25
	Sep 1st	" for Books for Joama & Annie	3 38
1871	Dec	Sent to the Sufferers Wis Jiro	5 00
1872		Books for Christmas presents	11 95

And from Jan 1/70 to May 30/74  
I have paid Mary in Cash & Money 1034.07  
Total paid out for you \$1163.75

I owe you personally \$761.00  
402.75

So parry & Muir (The Firm) has <sup>fixed</sup> paid for you \$402.75. I have <sup>our books</sup> to agree with the above. So all you have to do is to return my notes or receipts & keep those of the firm - & tell me how much I owe you for interest. Now you understand that I have paid out for you all I owe you (except interest) Furthermore The Firm has paid out for you \$402.75

Were I able I would gladly assist you in helping Mary, but we have had our hands full & lack of capital is still our only trouble

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HAY & MINE

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Portage, Wis., ..... 187 ..

I have been reading your  
article <sup>in our land</sup> with great interest  
I have taken that Magazine  
all summer. We were  
greatly relieved when you  
reported yourself safe after  
your McShasta accident & decent  
We had hoped you would  
spend the winter here but  
you seem to have settled  
in Oakland again, hope you  
are succeeding to your satisfac-  
-tion in your pursuit  
We are all well. Mother, Mary,  
& Ann (part of the time) live alone  
in the brick house. Joana is  
living in Racine with Dan  
& is reported gaining slowly

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Jno Reed says he owes you nothing  
The last time you lent us money  
I can get \$100.00 of it at your request

They had a party a week ago at  
Magie's (specially invited) & just in  
the middle of it her son No 2 made  
his appearance & shortly after  
the party broke up. Now this  
is an argument either for or against  
parties as you will. There has not  
been any at our house for  
2 1/2 years & shall hereafter be  
afraid of such gatherings

Sarah & family are well  
As are all of the family  
I suppose you think I  
am a poor correspondent  
I have so much writing  
that I have to do I am  
very apt to neglect those who  
come be put off but in a  
short time when I get time  
I will try to write you a letter  
Write soon & bid me Yrs <sup>with brotherly</sup> D. G. Miller