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## Letter from John Muir to [Jeanne C.] Carr, [1877] Sep 3.

John Muir

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1419 Taylor St S.F.  
Sep 3

Dear Mrs Carr.

I have just been over at Alameda with poor dear old Gibbons. You have seen him, & I need give no particulars, "The only thing I'm afraid of John", he said looking up with his old child face, "is that I shall never be able to climb the Oakland hills again". But he is so healthy & so well cared for we will ~~that~~ he is strong, to hope that he will.

He spoke for an hour with characteristic unselfishness on the injustice done Dr Kellogg in failing to recognize his long continued devotion & service at the botanical conference held here the other night. He threatens to write up the whole discreditable affair, & is very anxious to obtain

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from you a copy of that Gray letter  
to Kellogg which was not delivered.

I had a glorious ramble in  
the Santa Cruz mts. I have  
found out one very interesting  
& picturesque fact concerning the  
growth of this Sequoia. I mean  
to devote many a long week to  
its study. What the upshot may  
be I cannot guess, but you know  
I am never sent empty away.  
I made an excursion to the summit  
of Mt Hamilton in extraordinary style  
accompanied by Allen, Norton, Bradley &  
all the lady professors & their friends.  
A curious contrast to my ordinary  
still hunting. I spent a week at  
San Jose, enjoyed my visit  
with Allen very much. Lectured  
to the faculty on Methods of Study without  
undergoing any very great scare.  
I believe I wrote you from

Los Angeles about my Pasadena  
week. Have sent a couple of  
letters to the Bulletin from there not  
yet published.

I have no inflexible plans  
as yet for the remaining  
months of the season, but Yosemite  
seems to place itself as a most  
persistent candidate for my winter.  
I shall soon be in flight to  
the Sierras or Oregon.

I seem to give up hope of  
ever seeing you again.  
I wish you were  
here at these Sacramento  
mills. Remember me to  
the Doctor & Allen.

Ever Yrs Cordially,  
John Muir