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Letter from John Mc Landburgh to John Muir, 1879 Jun 13.

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CHICAGO, June 13 1879

Mr. John Muir
San Francisco, Cal

My dear Sir:

It gave me pleasure
to receive your letter introducing
Mr. M. Kelcey - and I went with him
personally to see about his project
introducing him to several of our
scientific men here. It has been
several days since I saw him
last and I do not know what he
decided upon. The last call he
made he was talking of taking
the "Forest King" directly through to
New York City.

It was with considerable gratification
that I learned you are
about bringing out a book of
your writings. That book will
make your name well known all
over the world. I have spoken

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to several of our literary and learned
men here about you in the past
year and find that already your
articles have attracted attention.
You belong to the very rarest class
of Naturalists and Scientists - for
beside your learning and experience
you have a literary style incompa-
rable - This will make you read by
thousands who would never other-
wise take up your books - and it
will keep you alive in the mind of
men, for it is "Style" which is the
immortal part of literature, and
then if a man have besides style -
thought - valuable thought - he becomes
a power among men -

I will be glad to hear from
you at any time, we watch eagerly
at our house for all your articles -
Mr. W. Kelcey says you intend visiting

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He states this fall and will pass
through Chicago - If so, don't
fail to call upon me.

You have my profound respect.

Sincerely

Arthur J. Lawrence