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Letter from Abbie A. Allen to John Muir, 1880 Apr 27.

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Apr. 27th, 1878

Dear Mr Muir

I cannot help
congratulating you, that you are
again among civilized people
alive, well, & happy of course,
as you are now a member of
the human family -

And now that you have
come to earth, I hope the
bonds will be ^{so} strong, that
you can never flee here from
more from the haunts of man;
but settle down in that level
wood, among the hills, where
the pepper tree, the Orange & Pine
flourish - I well remember the
admiration your beloved had
for this most graceful of

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trees - Hope you have not won
her from her love for them -
I must tell you, that ours, we have
watched with tender care, are
all dead - every one - I look at
them, in their withered strength
and blighted beauty, & wonder
if you could have willed them dead,
how we here you are married, I
dismiss that thought, for I am sure
your thoughts have had quite
a different bent - We are happy
for you, but do not forsake us
in your new love - We had a faint
promise of a visit, from Miss L -
and shall be all the more pleased
to see her as Mrs. Smith - Accept
our heartily felt good wishes. Abby A. Allen
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