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Letter from Joanna [Muir] to John Muir, 1880 May 2.

Joanna Muir

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sent Maggie and Sarah, con-
 sidering the region of Puget Sound
 and your voyage etc, and
 I cannot tell you how much
 we enjoyed them. Oh how
 glorious to be able to see so much
 of this world's beauty and grand-
 eur and still more glorious to
 be able to understand and
 appreciate it.

I hope you will find time
 to write to us again very soon
 and do not forget to tell us
 what your address will be.

I trust alas that ere another
 season shall have passed
 we shall have seen both you
 and your wife. With much love
 Joanna.

Portage, Wis.
 May 2^d '80.

My dear Brother John:-

I scarcely
 know what to say to you today, you
 have astonished us by your
 unexpected news. The first feel-
 ing, upon hearing that you were
 to be married, was that of
 loss, and the naughty tears
 would come in spite of all
 that I could do, but the
 next was that of real pleasure,
 for I am sure that you will

be much happier, though your life of late years has been very far from unhappy, I am sure.

And so I do most heartily congratulate you, praying that the God of love, the God of peace, the God of all good may abide with you ever, & shall your cups of joy be full.

I am exceedingly anxious to form the acquaintance of my new sister, Henri, I am sure I shall love her for the woman who has won my noble Father's heart, must be good and true.

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Springtime is with us again and as usual, I send you one of its first flourishes. I was so glad to see it that I could not help kissing it, and so I send it to you kiss and all. After many sudden changes the weather is warm and balmy and the leaves on the trees seem to grow almost visibly. I am so thankful for the Spring resurrection for I shall enjoy it more than I have in six years before because I shall be able to see so much more of it.

We have read your article in the Bulletin which you