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**Letter from Sarah [Muir Galloway] to John Muir, 1880 May 23.**

Sarah Muir Galloway

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her, if you are not coming very soon, send her Photo-, did you receive the letter I sent, five or six weeks ago, When you return you will find many changes, town where you will, but you will also find many warm hearts waiting to receive you where ever you are known, friends are continually enquiring about your work and whereabouts, and many of your old acquaintances are anxiously awaiting your home coming, expecting a visit and talk with you. Thanks for the paper you sent, the letters were very interesting, your sea voyage brought so vividly to my recollection our first one, when you were but eleven years old and I thirteen, I had a letter from Father two weeks ago, it makes me sad to think of his being so lame that he is obliged to use a crutch and step in going around the house. With kindest wishes for your happiness, I am yours, lovingly Sarah

Mound Hill May 23<sup>rd</sup> /80

My Dear Brother John

I have not been in town for some time and so perhaps have not heard the latest news from you, but this I do know, I have tasted your wedding cake: John you certainly took us all by surprise, we had been looking anxiously forward to your expected visit, but your marriage we had not thought of. I am very glad my dear brother that you have taken to yourself a wife: I feel sure she must be good and true and noble; you have been so kind and good and loving to us all, it must be that God has bestowed upon you the wife whose price is far above rubies, I feel sure I shall love

my new sister for your sake  
and for her own, may our  
heavenly Father fill your cup of  
happiness to the brim, in all that  
pertains to this life and in the  
Rest beyond, prepare you a  
home among the many mansions.  
The beautiful spring has come  
again, it has proved a very busy  
one for us, David has a hired  
man this season and is doing a  
good deal of work, Anna and Abel  
will be at home this summer, Gracie  
has begun her first term of school  
and seems to enjoy it so far. My  
health is about as good as usual  
again, I have no great endurance  
but feel thankful that I am so  
much better than I have been; I  
expect to go to Portage in a day  
or two, and stay long enough to  
make all of our folks a good visit

Maggie and John Reil were out  
here last week, John had just  
returned from Nebraska, where  
he had been for two or three weeks  
seeing about his stock, I believe the  
the Company, have a drove of between  
three and four hundred Cattle now  
J-likes the Country so well, that  
he talks of taking his family out  
there in a few months; I can hardly  
realize that it is possible they are  
going to leave us, every one of us  
will miss them more than I can tell  
but Dan- and his family are already  
there, and perhaps more of us may  
be there bye and bye. Do not be  
very long in writing to me John  
I am just longing for a letter from  
you, tell me what you are busy  
with just now, and when we shall  
look for you and your Louie, you  
know <sup>how</sup> anxious we will all be to see