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My dear Friend J. M. M.

I sit down as I am
just in the eve of going to town (Bottle)
to say to you a few days since I was
at a neighbours home. Mr. Eddy (Post
of one of our Books). In my conversa-
tion with Mr Eddy your name came
up. She said she had colonized you
some of life for 10 yrs & read your pro-
ductions with great interest & wanted
to see you. Now said she you write
to him to make you a visit & bring
him to our house to stay with us (as
she is aware that my brother-in-laws
quarters are rather small) We have
carriages & horses to go about with
& would be delighted to have him
to make us a good long visit
& Mrs. M. of course
It has occurred to me that Mrs

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sible - would visit Santa Barbara
this fall at the meeting of the
Teachers Institute - If you could
be here at the same time we
would have a glorious old
time - What say you

Since my chat with Mr. Eddy
I have seen Mr. Eddy who has
fully endorsed what Mr. Eddy
wishes - Now if I can get in
that lovely elaborate plan of
get Mrs. Carr close by then we
all will be within a short walk
with & enjoy it - If you do
come don't forget you are an
- expert - but -

Very truly yours & friend
H. D. Hobbs
& am a pastor with a trusting
hand

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Santa Barbara, July 17, '80.

My dear Friend Muir,

I sit down as I am just on the eve of going to town (3 miles) to say to you a few days since I was at a neighbor's house, Mr. Eddy (President of one of our banks). In my conversation with Mrs. Eddy your name came up. She said she had admired your course of life for 10 years, and read your productions with great interest and wanted to see you. "Now," said she, "you write to him to make you a visit and bring him to our house to stay with us (as she is aware that my brother-in-law's quarters are rather small). We have carriages and horses to go about with and would be delighted to have him make us a good long visit, and Mrs. M. of course."

It has occurred to me that Mrs. Carr, as she wrote me it was possible, would visit Santa Barbara this fall at the meeting of the teachers'institute. If you could be here at the same time we would have a glorious old time. What say you?

I have seen Mr. Eddy who has fully endorsed what Mrs. Eddy wishes. Now if I can get in that lovely elaborate plan and get Mrs. Carr close by me we all will be within a short walk. Won't I enjoy it. If you do come don't forget you are engaged, sir.

Very truly yours,

N. D. Stebbins.

I write in haste with a trembling hand.