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## Letter from J[ohn] Reid to John Muir, 1880 Dec 13.

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(43) One more thing to say to you  
 from the doctor. Give my respects to  
 of your mother quite a number of times  
 during. He will be here, over John  
 to do different things he has been  
 do not know whether I will  
 ever come <sup>and</sup> or not. If my ship  
 comes in pretty well loaded  
 I may come. Daniel and I  
 have a little interest in some  
 of the mines <sup>in Colorado</sup> that is proving to  
 all accounts of paying us some-  
 thing for our money how much  
 we do not know at present.  
 There is many a slip between the  
 cup and the lip it may be  
 so in this case, however if that  
 fails I may get a mine in those  
 latter that I have out here in  
 Neb. Dan is about 20 miles  
 from us he left Racine in regard  
 to his health has bought 320 acres  
 of R. R land on time do not  
 know how well he will succeed  
 one thing I do know he has got

in  
 Not before long from brother  
 and sister

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Write Neb Dec 13-1880  
 Brother John

Dear Sir  
 Maggie handed me your  
 letter & post while on the way  
 to the office I thought I would  
 write a line or two in regard  
 to her. You will see by her  
 letter that our home is in the  
 far west. and you would like  
 to know the cause of us moving  
 out west. There was several rea-  
 sons that induced me to move and  
 two of them I will give. Two years  
 ago Mr Foster and I sent out  
 some cows & heifers about 300 head  
 and let them out for 10 years  
 on the half of the increase it  
 became necessary for me to move  
 out here where I could keep an eye

on them to see that they were all right. The other reason is in regard to Maggie's health. Dan your brother said it would do her a great deal of good to move out here also my own brother Duncan who is a doctor in Iowa was when that it would do her good. we have been here about six weeks but instead of do her good she is not so well state there may be reasons for her not feeling so well she was a little against moving out here on account of her friends leaving them and going so far away from them she feel a little homesick or lonesome - wishing that her friends would write to her. her mind is very weak and feel very nervous so that she dont know sometimes what she is really doing. and this

is mostly the reason why I am writing at present time to you is. to write to her as often as you can without expecting her to answer every time you write it will do her a great deal of good. There is nothing that <sup>hurts</sup> her so much as writing it affects her mind so and makes her so nervous ~~so~~ that she cant sleep for some time after wards.

please write her as often as you can since I have come out here I have bought out <sup>of interest</sup> ~~in~~ Meat Market that is doing a good business in that line it will support my family and give me plenty of time to attend to my cattle affairs.

I would like to come out to Cal. and see you also the Country I suppose you have got a good country there for stock