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## Letter from Charles Walter Carruth to John Muir, 1893 Jun 19.

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Oakland, Cal. June 19 1893

Dear Mr. Muir:

Your very kind note acknowledging receipt of the little booklet of verse which I sent you last winter I am ashamed to say I never answered. I will now say, that the feeble sonnet therein inscribed to you is but a poor voicing of the admiration and regard that I feel for John Muir, the lover and friend of Nature, whose only fault from a literary point of view is that he writes all too little. I have mailed you a number of sonnets written since the booklet was printed. If you have

be so kind as to preserve the  
booklet, you will honor me by plac-  
ing these additional leaves therein.  
Although I have reached the age  
of 38 years, I had written nothing  
until the past autumn, because,  
while I was a great lover of poetry,  
and have my head filled with the  
choice productions of others, I  
never found voice for my fancies.  
Do not really know what started  
me to writing after the name  
of me had begun to write.

Should I have the presumption  
to come up to Martine, for the  
purpose of making your acquaint-  
ance, some time, I trust that you  
would not set the dogs upon

Your sincere admirer  
Charles Walter Carruth

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