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may come yourself & box &
 send all the rest to Sarah Care
 of Dry Run Postage. Do not pay
 the expresse on anything. If
 what expense you are at debt
 to me or draw on Jane —

I do not expect that Mr Luther-
 land will charge anything for
 store room as they told me when
 I left that they would not be in the
 way & agreed to keep them for me
 Mrs I have the key of my trunk

John Muir
 Yosemite Valley
 California
 (Via Coulterville)

I hope that you will never
 allow yourself to be pinched for
 money again if I can get any
 for you. I am well, I cannot
 come to you; I am bound to the
 mountains. but near or afar
 am ever yours in family love
 John Muir

Yosemite Nov 1st

Dear Brother Medicus
 I am glad to hear of
 your successes & comforts
 present, past, & prospective,
 but am sorry that you
 so much need money at a
 time that I cannot collect any
 for you. You might have had three
 or four hundred more if you had
 let me know sooner. I have
 written at least three letters
 to you ere I recd this one relative
 to the hundred dollar note.

I think that you are right about
 conjugating. I will now be spending
 money without making much, as I
 have commenced the work of making
 a book for the Boston Academy Science
 on the Ancient Glacial System of
 the Sierra, wh will occupy my
 time for several years. Still I
 will make a few dollars in summer

We will soon day drink champagne over the
 night with me passed in the company of Canada water
 and
 I if you find yourself very successful
 next year let me know by June or
 July & I will save a little for you
 I shall not need marrying money
 for some years, perhaps ^{not} until I am
 too old, so when I have any money
 you are welcome to it.

I have not heard from
 Miss Pelton for a long time
 but I believe she is somewhere
 in the northern portion of this state
 Give my compliments to your
 love whom I have not yet
 seen but whom I am sure
 to like if she is at all worthy
 of you.

I will be much obliged
 to you for packing & shipping my
 Indianapolis trunk. You alone are
 able to handle my models etc
 Pack my trunk with my thermometer
 (this one) & key the clock which I will need

I don't out - work mine in the upper mine among the
 loose but - they maintain - no objection to look me
 in my cabin & with will cost but little
 for freight. also such of my tools as are
 light & easily packed. & with such of
 my clothes as are worth sending
 I left - at least one suit of good
 clothes. My three or four fine shirts
 keep & wear, as they would be of
 no use to me, also anything else
 wh you need or want.

Send also my scientific & blank
 books, & dictionary, I do not want
 that doctor book wh you will find
 in my trunk, nor any of my school
 books, Of pictures, send me Kid
 Jacket & Fountain lake & Home
 & the drawing of my desk.

My plants give in charge to Mrs
 Moores if she has room for them
 if not box & send to Sarah -
 You will find Mrs Moores at 145
 Merrill St. Of my few other goods
 & chattels take what will in any