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## Letter from John Muir to Mrs. [Jeanne C.] Carr, 1872 Apr 23.

John Muir

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no friends that will not go to these frontiers beyond, or are uncastoffable, Calm thinkers like your doctor who first fed me with science, & lectures are the kind of souls fit for the formation of human elements adapted to this mountain sky. Nevertheless I will rejoice beyond measure though you come as a comet-tailed with a whole misty town.

Aed is a brave fellow, God bless him unfeignably, & feed him with his own South-American Self -

I shall be most happy to hear your day after or anything that you call good night. Love to all, M

I have not seen any of your Indian letters from within two or three years.

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# New Sentinel Hotel, #57.

A. G. BLACK, Proprietor.

Yo Semite Valley, April 23<sup>d</sup> 1872

Dear Mrs. Cass,

Yours of April 9<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> containing news of canoe & colonization adventures came tonight, I feel that you are coming & I will not hear any words of preparatory consolation for the un-supposeable case of your non appearance.

Come by way of Clarks & spend a whole day or two in the Sequoias, thence to Sentinel Dome & Glacier point. From thence swoop to our meadows & groves direct by a trail now in course of construction which will be completed by the time the snow melts. This new trail will be

The best in scenery & safety  
 of fine wh enter the valley  
 It leads from Glacier Point  
 down the face of the mountain  
 by an easy grade to a point back  
 of Sidiys hotel & has over half  
 a dozen Inspiration Points.

I hear that Mr Paragury  
 intends building a hotel at  
 glacier Point if he does you  
 should halt there for the night  
 after leaving Clarks, If not  
 then stop at the present "Par-  
 agureys" five or six miles south  
 of the valley at the Westfall meadows  
 (Built since your visit). You  
 might easily ride from Clarks  
 to the valley <sup>in a day</sup> but a day among  
 the Silver Firs, & another about  
 the glories of the valley rim &  
 settings is a "small request"

The snow is deep this year & the  
 regular Mariposa trail leading

to Glacier Point etc will not  
 be open before June. The Mariposa  
 trail of May & perhaps a week or so  
 of June will enter the valley from  
 Clarks by a sort of sneaking  
 trail along the river Canon  
<sup>below the snow</sup> but you must not come  
 that way.

You may also enter the  
 valley via Little Yosemite &  
 Nevada & Vernal Falls. by a trail  
 constructed last season.

Also by Indian Canon, on  
 the North side the valley by  
 a trail now nearly completed

This last is a noble entrance  
 but perhaps not equal to the  
 first. Whateven way you  
 come we will travel all  
 these up or down.

I bear in mind that you  
 must go among the summits  
 in July or August. Being

*copy*  
[Original letter in mounted set of letters to Mrs. Carr, # 57].

To Mrs. Ezra S. Carr  
New Sentinel Hotel,  
Yo Semite Valley, April 23d, 1872.

Dear Mrs. Carr:

Yours of Apr. 9th and 15th, containing Ned's canoe and colonization adventures came tonight. I feel that you are coming, and I will not hear any words of preparatory consolation for the un-supposeable case of your non appearance.

Come by way of Clark's, and spend a whole day or two in the Sequoias. Thence to Sentinel Dome and Glacier Point. From thence swoop to our meadows and groves direct by a trail now in course of construction which will be completed by the time the snow melts. This new trail will be the best in scenery and safety of five which enter the Valley. It leads from Glacier Point down the face of the mountain by an easy grade to a point back of Leidig's hotel, and has over half a dozen Inspiration Points.

I hear that Mr. Paregoxy intends building a hotel at Glacier Point. If he does you should halt there for the night after leaving Clark's. If not, then stop at the present "Paregoxy's" five or six miles south of the Valley, at the Westfall Meadows. (built since your visit?) You might easily ride from Clark's to the Valley in a day, but a day among the silver firs and another about the glories of the Valley rim and settings is a "small request."

The snow is deep this year, and the regular Mariposa trail leading to Glacier Point, etc., will not be open before June. The Mariposa travel of May, and perhaps a week or so of June, will enter the Valley from Clark's by a sort of sneaking trail along the river cañon below the snow, but you must not come that way.

You may also enter the Valley via Little Yosemite and Nevada and Vernal Falls, by a trail constructed last season. Also by Indian Cañon on the North side of the Valley by a trail now nearly completed. This last is a noble entrance, but perhaps not equal to the first. Whatever way you come we will travel all <sup>the</sup> these, up or down, and bear in mind that you must go among the summits in July or August. Bring no friends that will not go to these fountains beyond, or are uncastoffable. Calm thinkers like your Doctor, who first fed me with science, and LeConte are the kind of souls fit for the formation of human clouds adapted to this mountain sky. Nevertheless, I will rejoice beyond measure though you come as a comet tailed with a whole misty town.

Ned is a brave fellow. God bless him unspeakably, and feed him with his own South American self. I shall be most happy to know your Daggetts or anything that you call dear. Goodnight, and love to all,

J.M.

I have not seen any of my Tribune letters, though I have written five or six. Send copy if you can.