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## Letter from John Muir to Mrs. [Jeanne C.] Carr, 1872 Jul 14.

John Muir

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# New Sentinel Hotel,

A. G. BLACK, Proprietor.

Yo Semite Valley, July 14<sup>th</sup> 1872

Dear Mrs Carr, your announcing Dr Gray is  
dead, I have great longing for Gray whom I  
feel to be a great progressive unlimited man  
like Darwin & Huxley & Lyndall. I will  
be most glad to meet him. You are honorable  
in your kindness to me & your kilm my fate  
more than all the world beside.

I am approaching a kind of fruiting time in  
this mountain work I want very much to  
see you. All day write, but I dont know how  
or what, & besides I want to see North & South  
& the inland basins & the sea coast & all  
the lake basins & the canons. Also the Alps  
of every country & the continental glaciers  
of Greenland. Before I write the book  
we have been speaking of. & all this  
will require a dozen yrs or twenty, & money  
The question is what will I write now  
etc. I have learned the alphabet of ice &  
its structure here & I think I can read  
fast in other countries. I would let others  
write what I have read here but that they

make so damnable a hash of it & ruin so glorious  
a unit,

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I miss the Moores because they were so cordial &  
kind to me. Mrs Moore believes in ice & can preach it  
too. I wish you could bring Whitney & her together & tell me  
the fish. Mrs M made the most sensible visit to our interests  
of all corners I have known. Mr Moore is a man  
who thinks & he took to this mountain structure  
like a pointer to Partridge

I am glad your bed is getting stronger than  
we will yet meet this summer in Yosemite  
places. Talk to Mrs Moore about Petate Vetchy etc  
She knows it all from Hog Ranch to highest Sea.  
nam Casades, & higher & higher

I ought not to run away with space in speaking  
to you. Yet I am weary & impractical & fit for  
nothing serious until I am toned & toned by a few  
weeks of calm

Surely I will see you & we will plan  
work & ease & days of holy intense rest  
Remember me to the boys & all the boys & to  
the dr who ought to come better with you  
Ever yours John Muir

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