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New Sentinel Hotel,

A. G. BLACK, Proprietor.

Yo Semite Valley, July 14th 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 don't 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 get met this summer in Yosemite
places. Talk to Mrs Moore about Petate Vately etc
She knows it all from Hog Ranch to highest Sea.
name cascades, & 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 & to
the dr who ought to come better with you
Ever yours John Muir

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