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## Letter from Mother [Ann Gilrye Muir] to John Muir, 1884 Mar 6.

Ann Gilrye Muir

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Give my kindest love  
 to little "Wandä" and her  
 mother tell them I shall  
 yet hope to see them  
 Tell the little one that  
 I am much pleased  
 with her little letter she  
 sent me and would  
 like her to send me another  
 I would also like <sup>her</sup> mother  
 to write me a letter when  
 she can conveniently -

With much love to all

I am affectionately  
Mother

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Portage March 6<sup>th</sup> 1884

Dear John

Yours very kind  
 letter of Jan<sup>y</sup> was received  
 and I would have written  
 before this - but David told me  
 he intended to write to you  
 and he would tell you about  
 all my affairs - as he knows  
 every thing concerning them  
 and very kindly assists me  
 in any thing he can do for me  
 and Katie and all the children  
 are very kind indeed.

I thank you for your  
 very kind offer of a home  
 with you in "Cal" I think  
 it would be pleasant -

— but you well know that I am such a "home-boddy" that I never could even think of it — but I shall not forget your kindness in this matter —

I cannot express to you my disappointment in not seeing you at the time you intended to visit us —

Since you have had so many home cares and ties I have refrained from writing on this subject but will yet hope to see you again and also your wife and Harry then

I am sorry to think that Annie does not seem to improve very much — where she is I think if she had gone to Cal last spring when she went to

Phillips

— she would have had a far better chance of regaining her health as it was she came back from it much worse than when she left home — I hope it will not be too late for her to try what your climate can do for her, Poor girl

Your father this month reaches his eightieth year and I am just nine years behind him, so we have reached the span of life allotted to us — and now we require to look forward to an abiding home eternal in the Heavens