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Letter from Joanna [Muir Brown] to John Muir & Louie {Strentzel Muir}, 1888 Nov 13.

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wishes Grandpa and Helen had
been here to eat some of her
birthday cake that had "Ethel"
on it in Candelary.

Walter says he knows he ought
to have written you, and will
soon, but is not quite ready,
he has had some very try-
ing delay in his business.
He did not tell me to say this
but I know it is a long time
since he has written you.

I hope that one or both of
you will write some times
for we like to know of your
well fare. We have had a very
pressing invitation to come to
Cal. to visit Mr and Mrs Turner
who are located in Los Gatos.
It would be very pleasant to
accept the invitation and visit
you too, but that will be impos-
sible at present, doubtless the
time will come. Walter wishes
to be remembered with kindest regards
to you all.
With much love Joanna.

Kansas City Mo.
Nov. 13. 1880.

My dear John & Loui:-
I am sur-
prised when I think how long
I have been in telling you
how much pleased I am
with the childrens pictures
and also the exquisite
little shell with its treasure
of sea crosses. The photo-
graphs are lovely and I
am sure must be very liked
the children. I had been
wishing for their pictures
for Annie & had written

so much concerning their
 charms, and I do not
 think she can have exag-
 erated, what delight you
 must take in them, and
 what pleasure in teaching
 them. I know by the ex-
 quisite comfort we take
 in our own little ones,

How does

"Picturesque California" pro-
 gress, and how does your
 health endure the close
 application? I manage
 to write a little story once
 in a while for the Children's
 Book, but household
 cares take so much of my
 time that I do not accom-
 plish much in that direction

Oh, John, I had such a
 delightful visit at home
 this summer, it does me
 good yet, it had been
 nearly seven years since
 I had seen Mother and
 Sarah and all the young
 folks, and every body,
 friends as well as relatives,
 did so much to make it
 pleasant for us. I did
 not know I could enjoy
 it so much.

We are having magnificent
 weather, the children play
 out of doors most of the
 time and are in robust
 health. Ethel wishes Maud
 to know that she has just
 had a nice little birthday
 party, it being her sixth
 birthday. She says she