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(COPY - Original returned to Mr. Warren Olney)

101 Sansome St.,
San Francisco, Cal.,
January 6, 1897.

John Muir, Esq.,
Martinez, Cal.

My dear Muir:

Your favor received. The only trouble about our forest reservation is the delimitation of it. I have a letter from Senator Perkins saying that there is no money with which to make proper surveys. When President Jordan was in Washington he did what he could in the way of establishing boundaries. He found the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of the Land Office in hearty accord with our scheme. By the way, guess I will send you a copy of his letter.

Senator White has interested himself very much in the matter and I wrote him a letter the other day, of which I send you a copy, so you may understand what is being done in the premises. He has acknowledged the receipt of this letter, but has not said anything about his views in regard to turning the care of forests over to the War Department. Think that when the reservation is made it will be of the whole country from Yosemite Park to the R.R.

Last Saturday with one of my daughters went to top of Diablo and from there over to the N.W. of Moses' Rock. The trip was not less than sixteen miles. The girl stood it better than I. Unless you visit with me at the ranch soon there will not be good cooking accommodations as I am contemplating making a change.

What can we do to help fix the boundaries of the proposed reservation?

(Signed) WARREN OLNEY