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Letter from Annie L. Muir to John Muir, 1897 Jan 11.

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large audiences - We have
not lost our faith nor
our courage however - for
"The Lord Requitteth" & we will
get Rejoice -

I thank you for your Christmas
present & for your good
wishes for the New Year -
May the coming year be
the best you have ever had
is the prayer of your
loving sister

Ann's L. Murr.

P.S. My best-wishes for a
Happy New Year to all of
your family - Grandma,
Strutzel included -
A.L.M.

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Portage, Wis. Jan. 11-97.
Dear Brother John.

Your letter of
the 1st gave me great satisfaction.
And I cannot tell you how deeply
grateful I am to you for your
brotherly kindness, in this matter.
To have this business settled to
David's satisfaction - and to
know that all of his dealings with
Mother were just - what this should
be gives me great comfort. For
Mother never understood the situ-
ation - or, if she did, at the
time of David's settlement with
her. She must have forgotten
it immediately, for, as you
yourself know, she was never
satisfied about it - and expressed
many doubts. Of this David need
never know anything further, as

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it would only give him pain -
But, thank God, it is all made
plain now and I am heartily
glad & thankful. - - -

You will never know what a
relief the \$50. which reached me
last Tuesday from David, gave
me - The taxes (\$30.) were due.

That is to say, a fine would have
been imposed if not paid with-
in four days more - and I had
only \$10, and was needing a
cord of wood out of that.

I am all right now, and was
able to let Gramma have \$5 more
to keep her along till she gets
more from Walter or until
we hear from Scotland -

Walter still writes encouraging-
ly about his new business. &
Gramma keeps up good
Courage -

We, of the Baptist Church are
in great tribulation; for our
new church building - which
we had, with a great effort; been
able to reconstruct out of the
Old Presbyterian one, was on
Saturday the 9th burned up,
and is now a mass of ruins.
I don't say burned down; for
the walls still stand. They being
remarkably strong & thick.

And the rafters are still there &
some of the roof but the sky
can be seen through it -

The flames licked the interior
clean - And the poor people
who sawed & hewed and
dug sand, & made many
sacrifices to build it - are
now without a Church Home -
Mr. Fawcett preached in the
Opera House yesterday to