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February 11th, 1897

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John Muir, Esq.
Martinez, California.

My dear Muir:-

I was delighted to hear, the other day, by telegram from Shinn, that a bill for recession had been reported favorably in the California Assembly, and now your note gives me the text of the bill.

Shinn asked me to send strong telegrams to Melick, but after solicitously thinking the matter over, it seemed to me that I would do more harm than good in that way, and I have written Shinn to that effect, telling him of McAllister's criticism of me on that score.

I believe if you were to go to Sacramento you could clinch matters, and the bill would go through. I have always found that the way to work was to bring local influence to bear upon the several Legislators. For instance, Los Angeles men of influence should be got to write to their Assemblymen, etc. This is something which you could plan out with two or three of our friends in an hour, and execute by means of a few letters. It is astonishing how much a single letter from

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a constituent will do in bringing a neutral into line for a good cause.

With best wishes for the success of the bill, of which I feel very hopeful, I am, indeed,

Faithfully yours,

R. U. Johnson

P.S. I return the letters from Mr. Lukens and Mr. Olney.

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