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## Letter from Helen Muir to [John Muir], 1898 Oct 7.

Helen Muir

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Martinez California Oct. 7, 1898.

Dear Papa,

We got your letter yesterday and your telegram a few days ago and we were all so very glad to hear from you. We have had two of the loveliest big rains and they laid the dust and made it really muddy and I think it will rain again for it is cloudy.

Last Monday, Blanche, Maud and Wanda and I went for a walk on the hills, we went along the ridge until we got nearly to Penole then we went along way south and made a circle and came out near Ferndale. We think that altogether we went about 18 or 20 miles, I was just a little tired but Wanda was not at all.

Sunday we went up to the little tunnel.

back of the house and then we climbed up in the cut and found a lot of fossils, a lot of shells and one worm like the one you have up in your room, there was a great big piece of rock with shells caked all over both sides but it was too big to carry so we broke off a piece of it with a pick for you and we are going to get some more some time soon.

Tronic is dead. The pup is well and growing and very smart, I wonder if he will know you when you come home. Maddy and Moggie are very well and are getting big and fat, I am glad that you remembered them in your letter. We go over to Aunt Margarets often and take your letters for her to read, she was so glad to get the letter you wrote to her.

The house has not burned down yet and I hope that it will not until

the time you set for it.  
I hope you will come home soon for I want to see you very much, when are you coming home?

Your loving little girl, Helen Muir.