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## Letter from Geo[rge] G. Kip to John Muir, 1897 Aug 10.

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PALACE HOTEL,  
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Augt-10<sup>th</sup> 1897

My dear Professor Muir,  
We returned yesterday from the Yosemite, having left one day earlier as we found we could do so by early rising and long staging. We took the Eagle Point Trail one day and the Glacier Point Trail the next day and did the drive in the valley on the afternoon of our arrival so we have done very well for the time we had to spare. The Yosemite is certainly very grand; El Capitan and the Half Dome are superb. The falls are beautiful, the Bridal Veil being the most delicate and

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exquisite I have ever seen. The drive from Raymond to Maroon is the most uninteresting and disagreeable I ever experienced but the grand views from the Trails we took repays one. I cannot say how much we all regret not seeing you, in fact we feel as if we have missed one of the great features of our trip, but if you come East you must give us a couple of days of your time at Morris town, as we all long to see you again. While in Portland we met Mr Geo. H. Aines whose card I enclose, he took us personally to Fairmount, the heights 1200 feet

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above the City where we could ~~see~~<sup>see</sup>  
Mts. Rainier, St. Helens - Adams, Hood  
& Jefferson from one point, in addition  
to over 100 miles of the Columbia River;  
the flora surpassed anything I have  
ever seen; and, as Mr. Haines is an  
enthusiast on this spot, he requested  
me to urge you to call on him the  
first time you were in Portland, so  
that he might have the pleasure  
of taking you in person to this charm-  
ing spot - I fear to enclose the  
photograph of the "baby tree" in this  
letter as it may be broken but I  
will try to get a mailing envelope  
for it and send it to you before

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I leave - Let me know to Morris-  
town if it reaches you in good  
condition - and now I must for  
myself and children say adieu  
but with the earnest hope that  
you will accept our invitation to  
visit us at our home in Morris town

Truly yours  
Geo. G. Kip

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