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Martinez California. Nov. 2, 1898.

Dear Papa

About a week ago we received a letter from Burlington and a Postal from Montreal and then we received a Postal Card that you must have forgotten to write on for there was nothing on it but the address, even the post mark was rubbed out so we could not tell where it came from, we were all very sorry not to hear from you.

This afternoon Wanda and I went over to Aunt Margaret's, she has not been well for a few days but she is as well as usual now. I picked up a lot of walnuts from the trees there.

When you come back you will see a
 grate change on the work on the rail
 road, yesterday Fannie and Mr Douglas
 and I went up and walked quite a way
 on the embankment, I did not find
 any very good fossils this time but we
 have a good many here already for
 you. It rained a little here early
 this morning but it is clear and bright
 now but a little cold in the shade, there
 has been frost nearly every morning this
 week. Keenie is getting bigger, smarter
 and prettier every day, he shakes hands
 beautifully, when I say good morning
 to him when I come down in the
 morning. Tommy is well but is
 dreadfully lonesome without you, he
 runs up stairs and meows at your
 door every time he gets a chance, he
 went up and did it yesterday.
 Fannie went home Monday Mr Douglas

came up for her.

Write soon and tell us where you are and
 how soon you will be home.

Your loving little daughter
 Helen Muir.

My dear Papa,

I have just received
 your letter from New York and
 we have all enjoyed the account
 of your lively wanderings very
 much, what a wonderful lot of
 beautiful places you must
 have seen, I do wish that I ~~would~~
 with you and seeing them all
 too, but I should think that
 you would get dreadfully tired
 rushing around from one end