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## Letter from John Muir to Theodore H. Hittell, 1899 Apr 7.

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Martinez, April 7, 1849.

My dear Hittell. I have read the Bear  
book. & on the whole I found it  
interesting. An introduction fully  
explaining the time & circumstances  
of your meeting Adams & what  
became of him is very important  
There is a great deal of vagueness  
all through the book which if you  
can clear up from your original  
notes or from information from  
his friends or acquaintances will  
be a grand improvement. His main  
camp he says was on the Merced - a  
North Fork, 40 miles N.W. from Yosemite  
Now he could not get half this distance  
from Yosemite in a N.W. direction on  
any branch of the Merced. 40 miles would  
take him across the Tuolumne & on to  
the Stanislaus or nearly. It seems too  
there was a wagon road to this wild camp.



