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Letter from Henry F[airfield] Osborn to John Muir, 1899 Apr 19.

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NEW YORK, April 19th. 1899.

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Mr. John Muir,

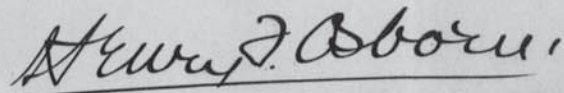
My Dear Mr. Muir,

Mrs Osborn and myself hold you as one of the very best of our friends. You have never shown your Christian spirit more beautifully than this winter in writing such full and interesting letters and finally in renewing your delightful invitation to visit the valley. I only wish we could say 'yes,' throw off all the cares of state, and join you for what I am sure would be one of the most delightful excursions of our lives. Alas, however the anchors are too much for us, and the continued absence of my colleague Professor Wilson, I may not get away until the middle of June, so we must postpone this great pleasure.

Last evening I dined with Mr. Harriman and many of the party who will accompany you to Alaska. I am delighted to hear that you are going as I am sure you will enjoy the trip. The party is of a very exceptional character, made up of not only eminent men, but of extremely genial men. I am sure you will enjoy it, and rubbing ideas with them.

They have strongly urged me to go along, and the prospect of being with you again is an additional temptation, but I must resist it. I am always with very kindest remembrances from Mrs Osborn.

Faithfully yours,



Mr. John Muir,

Martines,

California.

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