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396 So Second St.
San Jose Cal.

April 20, 1903.

Mr John Muir.
Martinez, Cal.

My dear Mr. Muir-

After spending such a delightful day with you, and accepting so fully of your kind hospitality & courtesies, I confess I write this request reluctantly. However it is not for myself but for the boys and girls in our schools in whom I am interested and to whom you have already given so much. Will you give us, at our wish, one thing more? We want a better picture of you than has been taken. One that is suitable for the school room that the pupils may come to know you as they read your delightful writings.

In view of this request I located in San Francisco the best portrait artist - & called on him. I found in his studio fine pictures of Le Conte, Agassiz, Keeler Keith, Wheeler, with many others all well taken I made ⁰³²¹⁷arrangements to have a

sitting of you, at our expense, if you will go to the address 794 Sutter street.

We wish very much to have a good portrait of you to hang in our Class room with Agassiz, Le Conte & Lyndall. Let us have it that we may know our own Naturalist.

My class is delighted with the pictures you gave us. The ones I took were from

Ever my kindest regards to Mrs. Davis. Also remember me kindly to your daughter. I hope I may have the pleasure of visiting you all in San Jose.

Can you make it possible Mr. Davis to grant our request? If so present the enclosed card at the address named.

Thanking you again and again for the delightful day with you

I am most sincerely
D. R. Mearns