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Letter from Harold French to John Muir, 1904 Apr 5.

Harold French

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in the study of your ^[3] gospel of
Nature-love.

According to our mutual
regard for the great work you have
done, we have honored our
children with your name.

On the seventh of March a son
was born to us, whom we have
named John Muir Trench.

and our daughter, born sixteen
months before, we have called
Muriel, for we had intended
her brother's name for our first
born.

I trust that at some time it
may be our privilege to meet you,
and it is my earnest hope that
John Muir Trench may live to
know you many, many years hence.

Very respectfully yours,

Harold Trench.

[1]

3104 Elko St., Berkeley, April 5, 1904.

Mr John Muir,

Sir,

I take great pleasure
in being introduced to you by
mail through the kindness of
Mr John Swett. It has
never been my pleasure to have
known you personally, but as
an author, my wife and I
have long felt a deep and
growing admiration for you.
Your word-pictures are to

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us a gallery of nature's master-
pieces, that delight many an
evening in our home; while
your thoughts and pictures
are ever sources of ideas and
inspiration, as we revel in
the mountain-trips such as
we are permitted to enjoy.

Close contact with the gran-
deur of Alaska was my privilege
for nearly three years, and,
now that I have renounced
the joys of that matchless
wilderness for the pleasant
groove of a routine position
in the United States Mint,
I still have a perennial pleasure