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Martinez, June 18, 1904

Dear Mr Johnson, After more than a year in home again safe & sound, & rich in notes, specimens, photographs & nerve pictures. After the Crimea & Caucasus, Siberia & Manchuria with the Sargents, my main trip began.

From Shanghai set out alone for Singapore & India - had general views of the great cities, temples, etc. - of the highest Himalaya mountains at Darjeeling, & of the grand deodar forests about Simla. Left India at Bombay for the Cedars of Lebanon but failed to reach them on account of cholera. Therefore went up the Nile as far as Assuan, & had good look at old & new Egypt. Thence from Port Said went to Ceylon & away ^{to} south end of world -

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Australia - a great country
little known - New Zealand
etc where I had glorious
times. So novel revising
I began botanical studies over
again with all the wildness
& enthusiasm of youth.
Again, & again I have wished
you & Gilder along. In
less than a month under influence
of these southern Cross Wonderland
you would grow back into
boyhood, quit putting up with
other folks jobs & do work of
your own. - dreams dreams you
will say. but good ones -
& here's something good for which
I have been looking since a long
talk last summer with the President
& Governor Pardee. Good bye, Love
to the Gilders & Johnsons, - ever
Faithfully Yours
John Muir