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## Letter from John Muir to [Charles Sprague] Sargent, 1904 Jul 6.

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Martinez, July 6, 1904

Dear Professor Sargent:

Our St Petersburg guide  
is John Bararoi,  
Hotel d'Angleterre

I was glad to get your letter  
of June 16<sup>th</sup> in which you  
sketched your travels &  
fortunes after we parted  
at Shanghai but said  
not a word about your  
family though I enquired  
particularly about Alice.  
I had several good  
letters from Nicholson.  
In his last he tells me  
that Sir Joseph is better  
& again at work in the

herbarium. I'm sorry  
dear good Canby died  
so soon. He should  
have lived & botanized  
far longer.

You should not begrudge  
time or pains on your  
manual. It is more  
important than the big  
Silva. Make the descriptions  
short & sharp & crystal clear.  
& don't leave out your few  
illuminating color touches.

I am now at work on a  
little Yosemite book which  
should have been written  
long ago. Next I suppose  
will come Alaska.

As to these last long  
wanderings I have

notes enough for a  
book or two but when  
if ever I will be able  
to work on them I  
don't know or guess.  
Australia New Zealand  
& the Phillipines are  
glorious fields, & I'm glad  
you're going there.  
Remember me to  
Robison & all the family  
& believe me

Faithfully yours  
John Merris