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Letter from Sarah M[uir] Galloway to John Muir, 1895 May 27.

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Some of our
best of things
Hosson's
for Grandpa.

Postage is

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My dear Brother John

A few

days ago we had a delightful
visit with Mr & Mrs Alberson,
they just took us over the road
again to your sunny, beauti-
ful home, and telling us of
you all, we could almost see
you, and enjoy our walks
among the vineyards and
orchards and our climbing
among the hills once more.

Yourself, Louie, and Grandmama,
were perfectly natural, but
Grandpa, as tall as her Mother
instead of the little girlie
less than two years old, set
me to wondering how she

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looked, and how it would seem to see her filling so large a place in the preferences for the needs and comforts of the household, just her Mother's right hand, and Helen with her books and her pets and all her bright happy ways filling her place as well.

Your visitors said they saw your valley and surroundings at their best, the variety of trees, shrubs, and flowers they thought something wonderful the roses in such profusion they were quite enthusiastic about, and we enjoyed it all over again with them.

Mrs Bruce made Mother a short call, saying she would come again sometime, she was so busy helping to get

one of her daughters ready to go to Europe, she also enjoyed her visit exceedingly. Mr Forbes we have not seen yet.

I wonder if these far-reaching frosts have touched any where near your borders. I do not remember of seeing so much damage done in this part of the Country before. Some days near the first part of May were exceedingly warm for the season and immediately afterward the frost came.

The grape vines were badly nipped. there are a few green leaves on the two vines by the fence but the row in the garden are brown and bare, a leaf here and there give us hope that perhaps they may bud

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out yet. the Catalpa and Russian Mulberry trees look very bad, the potatoes have sprouted up again and the other vegetables are all right. we are so sheltered here things are not so much hurt as in the country.

He had a visit a short time since from Anna with her two children, she is pretty well.

Kenneth is growing quite a boy, fond of investigating as he has opportunity, little Margorie is a dear wee girlie just eight weeks old, she has blue eyes, quite a contrast to Kenneth. Grace has been staying with Anna for some time. Hiram has been traveling for a Publishing house, and so is not at home very much

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if he likes the business, and can do better than farming in that way, he may continue, if not, he can go back to the old work. he has not sold his stock. Celie is attending the Commercial College here, is taking a business course and enjoys it very much she works hard as she helps me about the house work as well. Mr & Mrs Foster also Jennie think of going to California in the fall. I do not know whether they intend to make their home there or only visit for a time, I have not seen Maggie since hearing of it. Jennie has had a good position there for some years, not very far from

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San Francisco. Mother has been ^{not} as well as usual during the changeable weather this spring, some days quite poorly and then able to walk out and seem about as usual again, generally she enjoys very comfortable health for one of her age and we are so thankful. Joann and the children are well. Walter is working for a salary ^{\$60.00 Per Mo.} now, traveling for a lumber company, so I think they are getting along better now, they are still in the same house as when you were here. I suppose you are still writing, when will your next book come out? My health is better this spring, I so I work out in the yard and garden as usual. With much love to you all I am Affectionately
 Sarah M. Galloway