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[Original in possession of Miss Margaret Lunam, Dunbar, Scotland]

Martinez, California,
June 24, 1895.

My dear Cousin, Mrs. Lunam:

I was very glad to get your letter, and hope ere this that the summer weather has been kind to you and eased you of your rheumatic pains. I got the paper announcing the death of the Duchess of Roxburgh, and hope your church will not suffer thereby.

It must be very pleasant to have Susan Gilroy with you. I wish she were here. Tell her she has at least one steadfast friend across the big water and the big continent. I fairly fell in love with her when I first saw her in Dumfries, and I suppose there can be no harm in telling it now that I am so far away. I'm glad you kindly wrote to my mother about the death of Mr. Angus and Mr. Millar. Remember me to Mr. Melville, Mrs. Kelly, Jane Mather and all my Dunbar friends. I hope you enjoyed my Glacier Bay article in the June Century Magazine. I am pegging away at other literary work. I shall go into the Sierra Nevada mountains soon. We are all as usual. Love to Maggie and Susan.

Ever affectionately yours,

John Muir.

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