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Letter from Susan M.Gilroy to John Muir, 1895 Oct 19.

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little trips together & a very happy time in Edinburgh. They are so kind one can't help being happy with them. Indeed all the Dundas people are the same. Mr Dick & the Pinkerton people & lots more. Some Mother was here the other night. She is very well & a good school.

I have been reading with great interest your writings in "Picturesque Californien" they make me long to see the country myself. Very many of my Cousins have read your "Mountains of Californien" with great interest & hope when you come back again to see you too. They all love in Northumberland & are Ann Gilroy's children. Your Mother

Oct 19, 1895

Westfield
(Dunbar)

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My dear Cousin

I have been a long time in answering your last kind letter - but it has not been for want of thinking & talking about you. We knew you were off to your beloved mountains again, and I thought I'd wait until I heard you had come down among ordinary mortals. Mama Lumsden read your letter a few days ago & we were all glad to hear you had had a nice time & had returned home safely.

Very many thanks for your kind letter & still kindest offer of a home with you & your little girls -

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and she were great friends & the same age. But my Aunt has been dead some years and my Cousins all married. I am going to them next week for a month or two - but hope to hear from you - a letter will always find me here. This is my home home in the meantime -

Will you give our united love to Mr. Muir & your Girls & with much love to you.

Believe me

Your affectionate Cousin

Susan M. Gilroy

19th Oct. 1895.

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I am sure I should be happy
 with you all. But I'm afraid
 I'm too old to teach any thing
 except home keeping or taking
 care of an old lady - If you
 know any one near you requiring
 such a person - I might be
 tempted to cross the seas into
 your big land. I have not
 heard of any thing suitable yet.
 I was trying when in Edinburgh
 but so many are taking - for
 every opening, I must put
 forward my soul in petition
 until the right thing does turn
 up. In the mean time I've
 had a very happy summer
 generally moving about between
 North Merwick, Edinburgh & here
 (very wee journeys you will
 think) Maggie & I had some