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Letter from Annie K. Bidwell to John Muir, 1905 Mar 3.

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Field? This ^[43] must have been
an intentional error, as the
speech was eloquent and
rather long & delivered by
a conspicuous man. It was
added that at next meet-
ing Dr Benjamin is to pre-
sent the claims of Guard.

And it is important that
Dr Benjamin have some
shells & shell! and my hope
is that you can supply some.
You write Mr R. U. Johnson a
good letter on the topic, hence
this boldness.

Yours fails me. Love to your
family, from yours most devotedly,
Sister & family with
kisses and greetings - Annie K. Bidwell.

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1711 Q St. Washington D.C.
March 3 - 1905.

Dear Mr Muir.

My right arm is so lame from
neuritis that I can scarce write
but I need your help so much.
(if you can give it) that I must
try to write.

Dr Benjamin is to present the
claims of General Bidwell for one
of the places in Statuary Hall (here)
at the next meeting of California
Residents of this city, and I have
to help him. I was asked to pre-
sent a paper on the subject
but of course had to decline. Then
Dr Benjamin was chosen, who
is a petitioner for General's statue

and he agreed if I would get the material together. He is biographer for Smithsonian Institute but has no proper material for General's claims, nor have I here, what is necessary & can not get it because there is no one who can send me it as I have it so packed in boxes etc at home.

If you are willing to do so I would like you to send me a statement, or, better, to Dr. Ben. Jamin, to my care, of ~~the~~ your opinion of General Bidwell's value to California in our own way.

If you do not think

him the proper one for a place in Stateary Hall to represent Cal, do not feel that I will blame you.

Mr Garner of the Forestry Bureau made an eloquent plea for General last evg at the meeting. At close he said, "if we must have two I would seld Judge Field, but I think we should have but one and at future questions have a strave."

(This evening's Star repeats the speeches of Mrs Corcuthy but say Mr Garner of Forestry Bureau made a check advocating Judge