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August 10th., 1905.

Good Father, dear Sisters,

our letter of today is but the continuation of our last, and of the same Faith as our thoughts from Sunday night. If the weight of your affliction lets you raise your heads but for the moment to look on high, behold also, with us, the noble birds that told us their message from the Soul of the loving mother has passed in that what is only of the changable and unreliable, the mortal body. Others there may be who break down under affliction and in sight of death. To my perfect-self is now given the comforter that that is no longer blinded by mortal vision. The very hand that reached for the morning's mail, it laid down on the table the book of books in which I had, that very moment, read the passages

They will keep ^{him} in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee because he trusts in thee. . . . Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body they shall rise. Awake and sing, yee that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out their dead.

So let me repeat, then, the birds message: Mrs. Muir is well. If ever she did more than bruise a fruit or break a flower that she had no use for: We alone have wept sufficient tears to wash her white garment free of those blemishes. - And if all of the Sequoias should fall to the ground: would they therefore be dead? Never, not dead what I know to be dead. Whatever went forth as an expression of the all-will of Love, it is become eternal, and, verily, eternal is the loving mother that is yours,

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is ours .

" I always had a desire to know her " - were the only words that
good Linda spoke .

And when any of you wander out from your sill in aimless walk , with
" your eyes onto the hills " , do not pass this abode . Neither approach
it at the front door where strangers seek admittance . We have " a little
chamber on the wall , and a bed , and a table , and a stool and a candle-
stick " , and it shall be when you come that you shall turn in thither " .
And the patriarch bell in our belfry shall speak its vesper prayer
for you

the passage

" Be ye all of one mind , having compassion one of
another , love as brethren , be pitiful , be courteous .
live together with my head body they shall dwell in faith, hope, and love

Robert, Linda & Jerry Hansen

Thank you for the gift
Robert, Linda & Jerry Hansen
" one line is for the man , and one line is for the lady , and one leaf is
for the man , and one is for the lady : They are the best I have " .

So says the child ; he does not know how many there are in your family
Take it as a " perfect gift " .