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To Dr. C. Hart Merriam

Martinez, Cal. Oct. 23, 1900.

My dear Dr. Merriam,

I am very glad to get your kind letter bringing back our big little Sierra trip through the midst of so many blessed chipmunks and trees. Many thanks for your care and kindness about the photographs and for the pile of interesting bird and beast Bulletins. No. 3⁽¹⁾ contains lots of masterly work and might be expanded into a grand book. This you should do, adding and modifying in accordance with the knowledge you have gathered during the last ten years. But Alas! Here you are pegging and puttering with the concerns of others as if in length of life you expect to rival Sequoia. That stream and fountain⁽²⁾ article, which like Tennyson's brook threatened to "go on forever," is at last done, and I am now among the Big Tree parks. Not the man with the hoe, but the poor toiler with the pen deserves mile-long commiseration in prose and rhyme.

Give my kindest regards to Mrs. and Mr. Bayley and tell them I'll go guide with them to Yosemite whenever they like unless I should happen to be hopelessly tied up in some way.

With pleasant recollections from Mrs. Muir and the girls

I am very truly yours,

JOHN MUIR

Charlie Keeler has got out another nice new book (Poems).

[[✓] North Am. Fauna No. 3 - Results of a Biological Survey of San Francisco Mt. & the Summit of the Little Colorado, Arizona. By C. Hart Merriam - Sept. 1900.]

(2) Fountains and Streams of the Yosemite National Park

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