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**Letter from Florence M[erriam] Bailey to John Muir, 1901 Jan 16.**

Florence Merriam Bailey

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not?

Come and see it - and us  
in May and write a poem  
on - the Potomac woods.

We'll show you something  
written while out of doors then,  
if it is not west of the Rockies.

With our warmest thanks  
and best of wishes for the  
New Year for you and yours,  
Sincerely yours, Horace M. Bailey

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Jan. 16, 1901.

My dear Mr. Muir;

When Mr. Bailey came home  
the other night he stopped at  
the kitchen and my maid  
ran out and called me so  
excitedly that I thought he  
must have brought the  
'possum' he had been threatening  
to have for dinner. I imagine



my astonishment when I  
found - not a possum but a  
whole big box of raisins! And  
such perfectly luscious ones!

You have given us a winter's  
feast. And we hear that there  
are more of the delicious nuts  
you sent us last year.

You certainly are a sure  
knuff Santa Claus!

We will feel that we have  
you with us as we eat  
them, but would that you  
could really sit by our  
hearth and tell us camp  
fire yarns.

In Washington such are  
every day sort of a place  
that you can stay away  
from it just as easily as