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**Letter from Mrs. Orville D. Badwin to John Muir, 1901 Mar 28.**

Mrs. Orville D. Badwin

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San Francisco, Cal., March 28th, 1901

Mr. John Muir,  
Martinez.

My Dear Sir:--

The Committee of Arrangements hereby cordially invite you to participate in the program. We would like to have you treat the following, or some nearly allied subject. "Alpine Gardens."

California speakers are limited to thirty minutes; speakers from other States, forty-five minutes. Two typewritten copies of your essay are requested; one for the official report of the Congress, the other for the Press. It is specially desired to have photographs or exhibits illustrating all essays.

Several notable Eastern men are expected to add interest to the occasion; among them James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture.

The Southern Pacific and Santa Fe R. R. Companies have granted a special two-thirds rate to the Congress and Flower Show.

We sincerely trust that you will arrange to be present at this notable gathering of Ornamental Horticulturists, and that we may have the pleasure of hearing an address from you.

In case your presence should prove impossible, your essay will be read to the Congress. In the latter case the manuscript should be in the hands of the Secretary not later than May 11th.

Hoping to hear from you favorably and soon, I am

Yours very truly,

*Orville D. Baldwin*

*Cor. Sec.*

*3700 Washington St. 02850*



This is not only an air of grandeur that  
strikes you with awe - common to all  
great trees. but apart from its <sup>richness</sup> of its  
peculiar firmness of leafy firmness  
plum shaft glided in simple sweeping  
lines & peculiar physiognomy. that  
impresses you as if it were a living  
being belonging to a past age  
of mastodons. differing in aspect every  
breath - venerable

a plentiful spring gushed out of a rock  
overgrown with it

a most charming prospect

So much expression in <sup>all</sup> every its features every  
part of the tree trunk great boughs & leaf

demanded to think & speak -