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Palm Springs, Cal.
June 13/05

Dear Mrs Sweet -

Those doughnuts!!!
Brown cycles of delight are
now doing their duty, spend-
ing their sweetness on the
three main pilgrims at
babby fabby Palm Springs.
Like the doughnuts among
other food is are the
Palm Spring gardens beside
the blazing desert - an
oasis of shade and figs and
orobos. Do you remember
Milton's account of the un-
lucky fallen angels flying
~~like~~ like doughnuts, or burning
Hades' marl? So we fied
and siggled in the red-hot

sand of an orchard, and the rising sun through the desert haze was not unlike one of those doughnuts.

Helen is decidedly better already, but we will not be able to stay here more than a week or two, for through July and August the temperature is said to be from 112° to 130° in the coolest shade. It is now 105° and is dry enough to dry up every disease and all one's flesh besides. When thoroughly dried out and roasted out we are going to Arizona, about 400 miles east of here, 22 miles north of Wilcox where the temperature is seldom above 115° . With kindest regards, we are faithfully yours,

John Muir
Wanda Muir, Helen Muir