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Letter from Joanna [Muir Brown] to [John Muir], 1908 Oct 30.

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her trips to the mountains, only
patch the trouble up for the
time, but the real trouble can
not be removed until she
gets out of the way of malaria
just as Jan says - When you
wrote about Margaret improv-
ing from out door sleeping,
I just thought that would be
the thing for us, for we all have
too much nerves and not
enough of God's good fresh
air and sunshine. I guess
we will all have to finish up
by coming to California for
a year or two any way -

With love to yourself, and
all the folks I am lovingly

Your sister, Frances

Address, Mrs L. M. Brown
155 - Douglas Ave
Port Norfolk
Virginia

Oct. 30, 1908

Dear brother John: - I have just been
reading a long article in the
Detroit Tribune, which a friend
of mine living in that city
has recently sent me, entitled
"How a Chicago Alderman saved
a redwood forest". Doubtless
you know what it is as it goes
on to describe the John Muir
woods, how it came to be so
named etc etc - Of course I soon
recognized this forest with its
stream and canyon and wonder-
ful redwood trees as the same
described in the Outlook a year
or more ago, which you had
saved from the City of San Fran-
for a water supply of Park etc -

I certainly am glad it has been saved, with all its wealth of flowers and plants, as well as fine trees, whoever has aided in securing it from invasion.

In your last letter you said you were writing pretty constantly and had much more to write, but you did not say anything about what you were writing. When you publish anything new, I hope you will let me know as you well know how deeply interested I am in everything from your pen - Sarah, Maggie and yourself all send us favorable reports of Helen, and I trust she will continue to improve in health until she is able to take up

her abode in the old home again to be your Confidante and little house keeper.

Our little girl, Bernice, came home from the mountain the first of Oct. and seemed greatly improved as she had recovered her usual weight and was able to eat about as well as any of us, although she could not eat very sweets or acids but as she got on well without these, we were much encouraged. But already she is falling into her old difficulties of bad spells with her stomach and it is plain that this place with its malaria is not the climate for her, I suppose

If you write so your letter
 would reach this place be-
 fore the end of September
 address - Mrs L. W. Brown
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Madison Co, Va -
 but if not, please address
 to the old place
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