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Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 13, 1911.

325 West Adams Street.

My dear Mr. Colby:-

Replying to your two important letters of February 7th and 8th, I see that we have a lot of hard work on hand, but I think with the help of all good people that we will still be able not only to preserve the integrity of our grand Yosemite Park but also to get through most of the legislation that you refer to. I have written to all our representatives and our two senators, urging them to support the measures we want carried, and have sent out to friends all the cards you enclosed.

I will do what I can when I meet Mr. Roosevelt, although I fear I will have comparatively little chance to discuss the matter with him. Still, I will at least be able to put him on his guard against the celebrated thieves and robbers we have been fighting so long.

Helen and her little boy are in good happy health.

I am very glad to hear that Keith's health is improving. Tell him to keep up courage and after weathering the winter, by getting out into the healing reviving mountains, not too high up, he will come out again with renewed strength.

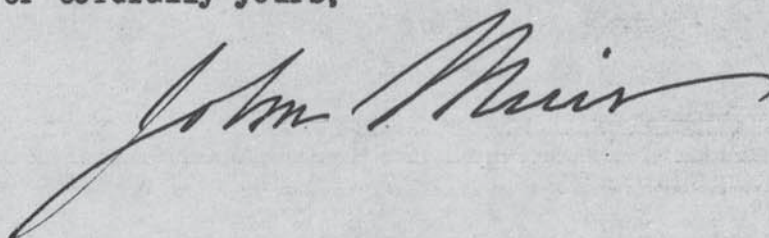
Possibly I may be able to be with the party for a little while next summer, although I have so much on my hands I am unable

Wm. E. Colby. -2-

to say anything very definite at present.

With kindest regards to your family and all our faithful mountaineers, I am,

Ever cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Muir". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed closing. It features a long, sweeping underline that extends under the word "Muir" and loops back under "John".