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To Mrs. Henry Fairfield Osborn

Para, Brazil

Aug. 29, 1911

Dear Mrs Osborn,

Here at last is The River and thanks to your and Mrs. Harriman's loving care I'm well and strong for all South American work in sight that looks like mine

Arrived here last eve after a pleasant voyage- a long charming slide all the way to the equator between beautiful water and beautiful sky.

Approaching Para had a glorious view of fifty miles or so of forest on the right bank of the river. This alone is noble compensation for my long desired and waited for Amazon journey even should I see no more.

And its delightful to contemplate your cool restful Mountain trip which is really a part of this equator trip. The more I see of our goodly Godly star the more plainly comes to sight and mind the truth that it is all one like a face, every feature radiating beauty on the others.

I expect to start up the river to Manaus in a day or two on the Dennis. Will write again on my return before going south and will hope to get a letter from you and Mr. Osborn, who must be enjoying his well earned rest. How often I've wished him with me. I often think of you and Josephine among the Avalanche Lake Clintonias and Linnaeas. And that lovely boy at Castle Rock. Virginia played benevolent mother delightfully and sent me off rejoicing.

My love to each and all; ever, dear friend and friends,
faithfully, gratefully

John Muir

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