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June 30th, 1894.

R. W. GILDER, EDITOR.
R. U. JOHNSON,
ASSOCIATE EDITOR.
C. C. BUELL,
ASSISTANT EDITOR.

My dear Muir:-

According to the table of contents of your volume you are going to print a book on the mountains of California with no description of the three chief attractions of that region,- namely, the three great gorges, the Hetch-Hetchy, Yosemite and the King's River Cañon. The publishers speak of the book as being a little longer than they had expected it would be, and it is of course possible for you to make another book on the gorges of the Sierra. Moreover, I have not carefully examined the last two-fifths of the book, and therefore cannot say that you have not worked in the Century articles on these topics under other heads; but certainly your readers will expect to find something about the Yosemite, and we have a number of illustrations which could be used.

As I am going out of town, I write this letter to be shown to Mr. Scott and to be forwarded to you with such comment as he may wish to make for The Century Co. He will probably say that it is impracticable to add anything to the volume at the present time, in which case please note the title for another book as above.

I shall read the galley proofs of the rest of the

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volume as fast as they come.

Faithfully yours,

R. U. Johnson,

per H.H.

John Muir, Esq.
Martinez, Cal.

I agree with Johnson as to
the desirability of treating these
popular topics, but I fear it
is too late for this volume
unless you have already in-
cluded them

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