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## Letter from Mark B. Kerr to John Muir, 1894 Nov 26.

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Golden Gate  
November 26/94

Dear Mr. Muir-

I was disappointed in not seeing you at the meeting of Sierra Club last Saturday as well as at the tea here, -

The meeting seemed to be pleasant and successful. The Call of Sunday morning gave us a pleasant notice, but there seems some influence at work to prevent the Chronicle & Examiner from taking up our cause. An Examiner reporter

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has promised a nice article  
but it failed to "come out"

I am going to take pains  
to find out the reason of  
this - Perhaps our efforts  
to take control of the  
Gov't reservations is not a-  
greeable to some of our  
newspaper friends & they prefer  
to leave out a club whose <sup>members</sup>  
advocate Federal control  
for National parks & the  
aid & assistance if necessary  
of U.S. soldiers. -

I wrote a short article  
to the Century about 200  
words - My vision being "

"To take the control of National  
reservations entirely from the  
State Commissions & put them  
under proper Federal control  
with power to call in the  
Military when necessary. -  
Suggests the Forestry Board  
of Agricultural Dept & incurs  
of appropriation needed to  
carry on their work so will  
begin to. etc. -

I have a little spare time  
now & will carefully overlook  
the table of altitudes of Pacific  
slope & try to get the Ds. in  
printer hands next week -  
Best regards for your family  
Very truly  
Mark D. Kest;