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Letter from Mary M[errill] Graydon to John Muir, 1895 Jan 22.

Mary Merrill Graydon

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I have at home now
but two of my six chil-
dren. but that comes
with the early summer.
Love your children
while they are with you.
For soon they will be
gone!

Yours Truly -
Mary M. Gonyea.

Did you see in the fall
that notice of the M's of Cal,
in the Review of Reviews?
It assumes the public.
It was written in
your English.

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288 Central Ave
Jan 22nd '95

My dear Mr. Miller,

I am sure you think
all I said about your
printing a book was
just "talk." Since I was
so long letting you know
much I enjoyed it.
I am the possessor of two
of them books, having
run over. He just
say - one I purchased. The
other was a gift!

I wish I enjoyed your
disciplines more than
I would right - the power
to find the word
just thills me some
sentences. I would ever

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transcripts. I lent^[22] one of my books
to Miss Odessa -

When are you coming in? - We look
for you to spend your next winter
any here - "sure & certain" we
want to hear of the European trip.
That was a magnificent reply of
yours - that your letter did not
impress you.

Go & see Kate - you know she has
a long & painful sickness. she
was very, very ill. don't you let her
die. Janie's return to life & light
& understanding is marvellous - & it
is as wonderful her Mother pulled thro'
but she is simply tough!

We are all well - my boy does not take
to literature sure - but he takes to
work & money, & he is doing well -
he is in the lumber business - he
takes to nature, not for love - but money.
Now give us the "Business Assurance"
that we will hear of you in
a while.

[Letter marked "Indianapolis letters"]

288 Central Ave., [Indianapolis]
Jan. 22nd, '95.

My dear Mr. Muir,

I am sure you think all I said about your printing a book was just "talk," seeing I was so long telling you how much I enjoyed it. I am the possessor of two of these books, having read one. I'll just say - one, I purchased, the other was a gift! I insist I enjoy your descriptions more than I would sight - the power to find the vivid word just thrills me, and some sentences I read entranced. I lent one of my books to Miss Eliza [Hendricks].

When are you coming in? We look for you to spend your next birthday here, "sure and certain." We want to hear of the European trip. That was a magnanimous reply of yours - that your talk did not impoverish you.

Go and see Kate - you know she had a long and painful sickness. She was very, very ill. Don't you let her die! Janet's return to life and light and understanding is marvelous, and it is as wonderful her mother pulled through, but she is simply tough!

We are all well. My boy does not take to literature sure, but he takes to work and money, and he is doing well. He is in the lumber business, but takes to Nature, not for love, but money. Now give us the "blessed assurance" that we will hear and see you in April. I have at home now but two of my six children, but Kate comes with the early summer. Love your children while they are with you, for soon they will be gone!

Yours truly,

Mary M[errill] Graydon

Did you see in the fall that notice of the "Mountains of California" in the Review of Reviews? It assures the public it was written in good English!!!