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Portland, Sept. 3, 1899

My dear Mr. Muir

It naturally gave me pain to note that your abiding faith in glaciers seemed to leave little room for faith of another order and I resolved to apply the antidote at the earliest opportunity. There will come to you by mail from the publisher a little volume entitled "Inquereudo Island", for which I bespeak your warmest attention. As a lady recently wrote me regarding "Sartor

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resartus", you should so far as possible empty your mind of preconceptions when you open the book so as to approach it in a condition of childlike receptivity - and let it sink into your soul, so to speak.

I had hoped to reach Morning at about the same time as the book but am detained by some shadowy glaciers that refuse to declare them positively as either myths or veritable

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shades of the departed. However my hope is merely deferred not surrendered, and I shall follow this line in a few days.

Sincerely yours
G. H. Gilbert

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