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Letter from W[illia]m Lord Smith to [John Muir], 1903 Oct 19.

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been put on the track of
the famous deodars.
I wish I might see
them with you - soon
will look forward to
hearing about them.

Kindly let me have
a few lines at Cook's
Office Bombay as to your
plans about if you have
not sailed and if you
have left what time you
have taken.

When you come to Massa-
chusetts again I should be
most happy to see you and
hope you will not fail to
look me up. You can easily
find me, though at present I
have no Boston address.

The best of luck if we fail to meet
in Bombay. Sincerely yours
Wm. Lord Smith

Johnson & Hogganw heron list & Murilaya
Photographers (Calcutta) possibly hands Bombay

Jey pore - Trayputana
[13] Oct 19/03

Dear Doctor

I am writing this
in case I do not see
you in Bombay which
may not be if you sail
next Saturday.

Jey pore has proved
very interesting. Being one
of the so called independ-
ent states it is almost
exclusively Hindu, very
few Mohommedans and
about three English men.

In a word it is the just
"pukka" Indian place to
have seen and offers the
chance of seeing native
life in the capital of a
Maharajah, a direct

desirement^[27] of the Sun god?
There are too many
interesting places between
here and Bombay, that
I cannot arrive ^{here}
Bombay any way before
Sunday I fear.

If you are still there
I will hope to see Bom-
bay and the caves of
Elephantas with you.

I consider myself
most lucky to have fal-
len in with you and
think to you the, moun-
tains, snows and trees will
be much more interesting
than before even if they
should be bare of tigers.

This country appears es-
pecially favoured by the
royal cat and the
royals has made a very

good^[33] collection of which I
have taken advantage
I fell in with a very
interesting man here
who incidentally is connect-
ed with the Calcutta mu-
seum. He has proved that
the Taj was not made
by ~~Italian~~ brains but
undoubtedly by Indian.
I was very glad to hear
it as I could not reconcile
the facts and I had wor-
ried me in Agra as you
may remember.

I may see you after
all if you make a
trip out from Simla
into the forests which
I hear are a day or
more away - but you
have probably met
the local forester and