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THE S.S. MECLURE COMPANY,

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141 EAST TWENTY-FIFTH ST. NEW YORK. April 9, 1901.

Mr. John Muir,

My dear Sir:

Will you not let me introduce to you. Mr. Ray Stanmard Baker, of the staff of Mc Clure's Magazine. For a long time it has been our hope to have a good article about yourself in the magazine, and I have asked Mr. Baker, who is one of our most valued associates, to see you while in the West, and find if you would not be willing to give him the material for the article I have in mind. I feel sure that you will find Mr. Baker sympathetic with, and intelligent in comprehending your ideas. If you will be good enough to talk with him, I feel sure that he can convince you that he will prepare an article that you will be willing to have given to the public.

In these personal sketches of prominent living persons which we are securing for Mc Clure's Magazine, our object is not to gratify vulgar curiosity about the personal life of individuals, but to present the stories of great ideals and of big lives well lived, in such a way that they will be an inspiration to everybody. I feel sure that you will understand, and approve of our aim, after talking with Mr. Baker. You may be sure, my dear Mr. Muir, that I shall be very grateful to you, if you will be good enough to allow him to visit you.

Very sincerely yours.

S. S. millure

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