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Dear Miss Gilpin

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I was very pleased to receive your letter and your news. I have been guiltily conscious for a long time that I owed you a letter but always seem to have so much to do that it never got started.

I have greatly admired your "Sunrise in the Desert", one of the greatest little things in our Exhibition, which, you will see from the report of the opening proceedings in the Journal that I am having sent to you, I took occasion to draw to the attention of the gathering then present.

I should indeed love to make a trip of the kind that you have been talking

through the wonderful desert country of the South West.
I am a life member of the National Geographic Society
of Washington, D.C. and get their magazine regularly.
There are sometimes illustrated articles on those parts
of the U.S.A. that I read with great interest and
appreciate the more because I have been over the Sta
Fe route to the Grand Canyon. I have noted Zion
Canyon in S.W. Utah as a spot I should like to
see some day.

You will have seen that your "The new baby"
was reproduced in the Catalogue. I should have
preferred the Sunrise in the Desert but the blockmakers
did not think they could do it justice.

I am very glad you have decided to join
the R.P.S. and shall have much pleasure in
proposing your name.

I am kept very busy with my duties here
and have had very little time for any photographic
work at all, especially as I have not been abroad
this year. We have had a very wet, cold and
discouraging summer and there has been little
inducement for out of door work in this country.

My kind regards to Miss Putnam whom
next you see her or write to her.

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I shall be very pleased to see Miss
Mary B. White if she comes to London
and to do anything I can for her.
I had a call from Miss Van Wageningen,
another of Mr White's pupils, earlier
in the year. Perhaps you also know
her.

With kindest regards

Yours very truly

J. Dudley Johnston