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**Bear Gulch
Pinnacles National Monument**

By Ashley Nance

No feature, however, of all the noble landscape as seen from here seems more wonderful than the Cathedral itself, a temple displaying Nature's best masonry and sermons in stone. How often I have gazed at it from the tops of hills and ridges, and through opening in the forests on my many short excursions, devoutly wondering, admiring, longing! This I may say is the first time I have been at church in California, led here at last, every door graciously opened for the poor lonely worshipper. In our best times everything turns into religion, all the world seems a church and the mountains altars. And lo, here at last in front of the Cathedral is blessed cassiope, ringing her thousands of sweet-toned bells, the sweetest church music I ever enjoyed. Listening, admiring, until late in the afternoon I compelled myself to hasten away

~ John Muir*

* JOHN MUIR, MY FIRST SUMMER IN THE SIERRA (Houghton Mifflin Comp., The Riverside Press Cambridge, 1911), *available at* <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/32540/32540-h/32540-h.htm>.
