

## Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, November 10, 1875, with transcript

Letter from Miss Mabel G. Hubbard to Mr. Alexander Graham Bell. Cambridge, Nov. 10th, 1875. Dear Mr. Bell:

Thank you for your letter received this morning. I am sorry you feel so much difficulty in writing to me. I much prefer running the risk of being startled than not have you write freely to me.

It may be that I do not care for you as you care for me, but indeed I do not think we are so far apart as you believe. I do not merely suffer you to be near me, I like to have you with me, I am glad when you come, and sorry when you go and miss you if you stay away very long.

I am glad that you are at work once more with your telegraph. I hope you will succeed in it, I would like to know about all that you are doing and all that interests you.

I have had my first lesson with Mr. Allen this morning, he seems rather at loss what to do with me. He wants "to establish a line of communication between us" and to do so he thinks I had better begin with some subject with which I am familiar, so I am to study the relation of Literature to History. It seems to me that all roads lead to History as well as to Rome, and I am disappointed for though I do not know very much history I know much more about it than anything else, and I want to study some other subject now. I think this will be a busy winter with my time and thoughts fully occupied, and I am glad for I am rather tired of doing nothing.

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Berta came home yesterday to our great pleasure, she is so bright and helpful I do not know what we should do without her. She reports Sister much better, and we are beginning in consequence to feel more settled and to make plans for the winter here.

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Hoping to see you tomorrow.

I am, Yours sincerely, Mabel G. Bell. Cambridge, Nov. 10th. 1875.