

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, undated, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. Cambridge Friday (1879?)

Thank you my dear Alec for your yesterday's letter which arrived this morning. I can hardly stand my vexation in losing such a splendid letter as you promised me, if you but had time. Never mind the letter you did send me was very nice and I conclude you were in high spirits instead of under blue glass—I wonder if you are going to telegraph how you succeeded. Mamma is mercilessly sure my repeated scoldings against your extravagance in telegrams have prevented your sending one new,—but I haven't given up all hope of one yet though it is half past eleven. By the way are you up yet? Did your lunatic make a scene in Chickering Hall. Don't make too much fun out of the poor man. Mamma thinks you are a little bit of one yourself!

Were there many people at your lecture and how did everything succeed. Have you seen Mr. Bradley and what does he propose. Does Mr. Pollock think he can postpone the examination?

I saw Miss Mack yesterday she said her father had been very sick all winter and was only able to go around the place now. Bessie Brooks is in Milford and Miss Mack has lost her place there. Miss Annie Mack is “expected home for a vacation very soon.

It is quite cold today and I hope you too are cool. I have nothing more to say. Won't you come home and take your money I am dreadfully nervous about it all the time and don't dare to think of it for fear I may in my sleep take it and hide it so no one can find it as one lady did.?or do I dare to look at it often lest some hidden burglar be watching me.

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I am happy!—Will has just sent up a scrip of newspaper saying that “Professor Alexander Graham Bell of Boston lectured here this evening before a large audience”—and that “the taste were satisfactory to the large audience”

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Goodbye I am going to run over to Cousin Mary's and show it to Mamma.

The Evening Post came this afternoon, I think your notice is much the nicest. Thank Sister for sending it, I was so much pleased with it. Tell her I have written enclosing your photograph but must wait for an envelope.

Yours Ever, May.