

## Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, July 23, 1888, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. July 23, 1888.

Dear Alec:

I have just telegraphed you please to call on Uncle Eustis who is staying at the Hotel Metropols with Aunt Carrie. I hope you did not forget to call on Uncle Riss. He would feel badly if you did not — and so would I — you have no time to loose if not he sails from Liverpool June 25.

Mamma, Papa and I went to the Medic district today to the famous vineyards. It was very interesting indeed. The place was very beautiful, the vineyards spreading out on every side as far as eye could reach so flat and smoothly trimmed that at a distance they seemed like meadows. I am going to buy some wine, it is much cheaper and better to buy here than at home.

We stay over tomorrow for that purpose, whether we go to Arachor then or straight to Biarritz I don't know I telegraphed you to bring me a small photographic camera. I left my big one at home, it was too heavy to lug around but I would like a small light instantaneous one — the plates as large or smaller than half of f this sheet. I hope you wear gloves, all the gentlemen here do.

Goodnight. I am very tired it was hard work. We got up at 6.30 and returned at 5.30. Your telegram yesterday was very nice I was vaguely nervous about you. I am so glad your book is printed and am sure you had another good day. If any of the big wigs invite you to dinner do stay. I want you to,

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Yours ever.