

## Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel Hubbard Bell, March 7, 1892, with transcript

Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel (Hubbard) Bell. L New York, March 7th, 1892. My own darling Mabel:

At last the stormy voyage is over and I am at rest again upon terra firma. My Journal gave out very soon after reaching Gibraltar — I became interested in Impact Studies — Conservation of Energy etc. and spent nearly all my time drawing vibrating curves to represent result of impacts of particles under various conditions of collision.

After I have inked over my drawings I will send them to you and try to explain them to you. Even though I should fail to make my meaning clear — the exercise of expression will be good. Would like to get some sort of description in black and white. Keep my “Impact studies” safe and I may perhaps in the future be able to make my letter the basis of a Scientific paper upon the subject.

Reached here shortly after noon today. My father arrived in New York this afternoon. He is to lecture in N. Y. tomorrow evening — and in Boston next day. Mr. Hitz is with him.

I telephoned Washington and exchanged a few words with your mother. Then the line broke down somewhere and communication stopped. I understood her to say that all were well. Then, if I understood her correctly, came the statement that Mr. Grossman is dead and that the funeral will be tomorrow. At this point the line broke down and I could neither verify the statement I imagine I heard or gain any further information. It is now midnight — and neither your father nor mother have yet arrived. I have engaged rooms for them however upon chance for tomorrow morning.

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My mother is well. Hope to run down to Washington on Sunday to see her. As no cable has come from you I will send down to steamship company tomorrow morning before cabling you. Did not cable this afternoon — as I knew it was night with you in Florence — and decided to wait till tomorrow morning — in hope your father and mother may be here.

I leave here tomorrow (Tuesday night) for Boston. You may telegraph me “Cela — Boston.”

With much love to Elsie and Daisy.

Your loving husband, Alec. Mr.s A. Graham Bell, % Maquay Hooker & Co., Florence, Italy.