

Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel Hubbard Bell, June 7, 1898, with transcript

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL TO MABEL (Hubbard) BELL Beinn Bhreagh, C. B.
Tuesday, June 7, 1898. My dear faithful little wife:

Your letters are a great comfort to me and I only wish you were here at beautiful Beinn Bhreagh — where everything breathes of you. Duncan, Maggie, John McDermid, Mr. McInnis — all — are doing what they think would please Mrs. Bell if she were here. And I — only I — seem to be forgetful of you. Day passes after day and though you are always in my thoughts yet somehow or other my thoughts won't go on paper. I am sorry you did not like my impersonal “Journal Notes” — though of course you and I knew they were for you — and I always meant a letter to go with them — although somehow or other it didn't get written — for since I stopped writing these rough notes — day passes after day without a word to show either Elsie or you that I care a button about you.

I have taken up my pen to force myself to write — and this is all that comes forth. Can't help it. Have not been well and I don't think I am myself at all.

Your loving, Alec.