

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, June 23, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. 1331 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C. Sunday, June 23, 1906. My darling Alec:

I have just awakened to the fact that writing to you is as good a way of passing the time as any other. I am so content to know that you are all right that it does not occur to me that you may care to hear of me.

I am all right, Dr. Mason is very much pleased with the condition of my ears and says by Tuesday he will know definitely whether I can leave the last of the week or not.

There is nothing going especially. Daisy and David are very happy in their country barn. I am sure Daisy is much better for it. They go out in their automobile as far as Chevy Chase when Daisy takes the car to the Lake thus avoiding all the rough places. From the Lake it is a mile and a half to the barn, and she partly walks and partly drives the distance.

I am trying to interest Gardiner in tetrahedral building, unfortunately I haven't been very successful in finding jointures, I got the hairpins and sealing wax, and modelling wax and pottery clay and cement and sand, but none seem very practical. Can you telegraph me any suggestions. It is pitiful to see that magnificent boy helpless on his back. Of course they hold out hope of speedy recovery, but it will at the best be years before he can be where he was the other day. I want some easy means of joining the hairpins together so he can try his hand at building things. Could he solder them?

Your loving, Mabel. Many thanks for your telegrams, I got yours announcing your arrival home before we sat down to supper .