

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, March 11, 1908, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. Twin Oaks, Washington, D. C. Wednesday, Mar. 11, 1908. My darling Alec:

It's too bad I haven't written you, when you have been so good to me, but I sort of salved my conscience by sending daily telegrams. Fact is I have been working pretty hard on my V. S. paper and hadn't much inclination to write at other times. I can't get anywhere with that old thing, and I do so want to.

I am waiting anxiously to hear about the flying machine. Don't hurry home on my account I am flourishing like a weed, a Canada thistle! My two nurses are perfectly ridiculous especially today when I walked over the place for an hour and went into town driving for nearly three, and am not tired tonight. I have a tremendous appetite and would be quite happy if I were sure you were O.K. but I am not—, you say nothing about yourself. Please do I tried to find your letter to Manchester yesterday but Cox was out and I couldn't. Mamma will be eighty-one tomorrow, I hope you will telegraph her.

I am so sorry for poor Tom, how provoking to be obliged to leave just now.. I suppose of course you will telegraph me when he leaves and where he is going, I will do all I can for him.

Please thank Casey for his letters, it was so nice in him to write.

I really have nothing to say, every one is well and when I am not driving or walking or eating I am digging away on that phonetic spelling thing.

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I am doing my best to get as strong as a horse and succeeding wonderfully, but it will all go for nothing if you are not careful of yourself, now dear please do drink all the Poland water you can.

Your loving, wife.