

## Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel Hubbard Bell, November 12, 1912, with transcript

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL TO MABEL (Hubbard) BELL Beinn Bhreagh, C. B.  
Tuesday, Nov. 12, 1912. Mrs. A. G. Bell, 1331 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C. My darling Mabel:

Tuesday has come but no word of your arrival in Washington yet. Beginning to get anxious about you. Did you go by Montreal? Did you make your connections O.K? Did you receive my telegram at St. Hyacinths?

Upon my return here I found that Mrs. Baldwin and all Baddeck were excited about the Kia Ora. It left in the storm of Friday evening for the Grand Narrows. The S.S. Bluehill left Iona for Baddeck after we had started from here but had seen nothing of the Kia Ora on her way.

What had become of the Kia Ora? Kathleen could get nothing by telephone — and all the telegraph lines were down. Kathleen suggested Boolaceet Harbor, but the greatest excitement existed in Baddeck where there was a suspicion that the Kia Ora had gone down in the storm. The Gauldrie was preparing to search for us on Saturday morning when the Kia Ora appeared in sight and relieved all apprehensions.

That was the sweetest dearest little note you sent me from Grand Narrows — and I feel like starting right after you now — just to feel you safe in my arms once more. I am quite troubled about Daisy too. A 2 note just received from David has alarmed me. I did not receive the impression, from his former telegrams, that there was any cause for undue anxiety about Daisy's condition, but I now find that she has passed through a very critical time indeed. Poor little girl she only wanted to live for David's sake. "Don't let me go

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back doctor. Don't let go of me — I am slipping away.” I don't think I can stay away from Washington any longer and will only wait for word from you before starting.

The adjourned meeting of the Trustees of the Baddeck Public Library met here last night.

Your loving husband, Alec.