

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, undated, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. THE WAUMBEEK AND COTTAGES Jefferson, White Mountains, New Hampshire. Friday. My dear Alec:

Here I am safe and sound, and none the worse for the journey down. I am so glad I came for it does not seem fair that my Mother should have been dropped all these four weeks while we were having such a good time. She seems very bright and well, but her foot is not very much use to her, and I am sure her health will deteriorate if she cannot have it.

We propose leaving tomorrow for Portsmouth where we will stay over Sunday on the Kentworth, and perhaps I will get an automobile and take her motoring I want to do something for her. Then on Monday we go to Boston where is a doctor that she wants to see about her foot. I also want to see Paul Hubbard about the sale of the old Cambridge homestead. Do you want to do anything about it? I am not at all satisfied about the matter. The homestead was settled on Mamma and her children as one house on Conn. Ave., is settled on me and our children and I do not think she can legally sell it without our consent, but Paul Hubbard has not sent any papers to either Grace or me but has to the children of Sister and Berta. There is some hitch in the purchase owing to question of the title and "Trust Agreement." Paul does not make clear what I derive the impression that he is inefficient, and I don't feel at all satisfied that Mamma's interests are being properly looked after. She does not get money or stock but an apartment house in exchange for the old homestead and I don't like the look. I want Bert to go into it 2 But Mamma is afraid of family trouble, that Grace will say we are not showing proper confidence in Charlie as he recommended the transfer etc.

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If we had money I should feel tempted to suggest our taking anything to sell to advantage. Am. Bell is at 107 as against 128 a few months ago, and the bonds too are below par, everything is down a good buying time but we want all our cash and more for our machine.

Much love dear,

Are you taking good care of yourself?

Mabel.