

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, 1875, with transcript

Letter from Miss Mabel G. Hubbard to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. (1875?) My dear Alec:

I enclose a little note to your mother as I am not sure how your father spells his name. I knew once upon a time but suppose I am losing my memory as I can't remember.

You may read the note and tear it up if you do not like it. I have already torn up two letters, and should not mind destroying a third.

Mamma is extremely anxious I should tell you that I have gone about tearing my hair, gnashing my teeth, wringing my hands, heaping malediction upon my head for my stupidity in not allowing you to come here today. I am very doubtful if many hairs have been pulled out, teeth or furniture broken or hands wrung off, but I certainly am extremely sorry you have not been here, and think my correspondents ought to be grateful for the sacrifice I made on their account.

Be sure and come tomorrow afternoon, to your loving, Mabel. Sunday Evening.