

## Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, May 3, 1908, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. 1331 Connecticut Avenue. (Sunday, May 3rd 1908) Dear Alec:

I was so glad to get your letter last night. It is good to hear from you and I don't mind dictated notes when accompanied by a few lines in your own hand.

A letter from Mr. Byrnes says the ground is still not fit for building!

I hope Douglas' foot is better, he is a gay young Lothario after all isn't he? Tell him that Gracie is now on the water enroute and under protection of Captain, to Vera Cruz. Day before she went she took 85 children at her own expense out on a picnic, she has the makings of a most noble woman in her if she can only find herself.

It is bitterly cold here and I don't see why you always take the hot turns to stay here and the cold ones to go off.

I enclose clippings which may interest you.

I am just off to Twin Oaks hence my haste, but there is nothing to tell, I am working hard over plans to send to Casey's Kathleen, please let's go to the wedding. I am sure she is a perfect dear, I like her from her letters so much.

Tell the boys not to fight shy of the remarkable candy I sent them, it is warranted pure and there's no question it's home-made I bought it at a charity fair for the neighborhood house.

You should see Alexander sit perfectly still listening to the birds and then trying to mimic the cocks and hens, which he 2 is doing very well.

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Your loving Mabel. Sunday, May 3rd. (1908?) Don't forget Elsie's birthday, May 8, (1908?)