

## Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel Hubbard Bell, October 20, 1878, with transcript

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL TO MABEL (Hubbard) BELL London, E. C. Oct. 20th, 1878.

My sweet darling wife:

Since Mr. Scott has kindly given you my news I will go on with my study of Du?oncel's work as revised proofs will be sent to me this evening. I expect to be home Tuesday morning about 6:30 but should I not be home by half-past eight please meet me at Easton Station for if our train is late I shall proceed directly to Easton Square and proceed to Oxford by the 10 A.M. train. To reach Easton you can either take a cab or go to Gower Street Station from High Street Kensington and walk or ride to Easton.

If you go to Easton please take Bessie with you. I hope however to be on time and have breakfast at home.

My arrival here is most fortunate at this time. The Western Union will probably publish extracts from Du Moncel's work — but what a triumph it will be for your father to be able to come down on the Western Union with the Second Edition!!

We have arranged with Agent of Associated Press to cable to America news about the Grand Prix.

Mr. Scott made up his mind to come to Paris too, to see the Grand ceremony — and last night — Mr. McClure made his appearance in Paris too. I have not seen him and probably will not have a chance. I find in Madame Roosevelt — the actress I told you of!! I have formed a much higher opinion of Roosevelt now that I see he loved her so devotedly and truly as to have made her his wife — and even to have adopted her child. Of course 2 I have not told Mr. Scott or anyone what I know — and it will only be right of us to bury our

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knowledge in our hearts — and tell no one of anything that might lead to scandal. Don't say anything about it to your Mama or anyone. Kiss my baby for me.

Your loving husband, Alec.