

Schoenelberg Strasse 12th
bei Fräulein Weber
Berlin, Feb. 18, 1894.

My dear Professor Tacchini,
I am very sorry to say
that I have just received
news from America which
makes it necessary for me
to return sooner than I expected,
and the long anticipated ex-
pedition to Etnea will have
to be given up. We shall not
even have an opportunity of
going to Italy at all, and
for the present we shall there-
fore be denied the pleasure of
meeting you again. I need
hardly say that I am greatly
disappointed, for I could
imagine nothing pleasanter
than such an expedition as this,

particularly if you were with
us. I feel sure that the
new and improved apparatus
I proposed to use would
test the method fairly, and
perhaps give us some traces
of the corona. But now we
must wait until another
time.

Thanking you for the trouble
you have taken in the
matter, and with kindest
regards, I am

Very sincerely yours
George C. Hale