

Chanute to Bell.

To A.G. Bell,
Baddeck, N.S.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 18, 1908:- I herewith return the Late Lieut. Selfridge's paper, which displays great research and industry and is sure to win him great honor. I therefore decidedly advise its publication.

I have accordingly gone over it with much care to verify the statements and figures given and do not believe that many mistakes now remain.

I note that you propose to illustrate the paper with numerous photographs, illustrating the various forms of apparatus alluded to, and if I can be of service in indicating where they are to be found I beg that you will command me.

Mr. Herring had evidently given Lieut. Selfridge an erroneous account of the evolution of the "two-surface" machine. I have rectified this in the paper and herewith add a copy of a paper of my own which I have ample evidence to support if required.

I had occasion myself, a month ago, to prepare a list of "First Steps in Aviation" for "Aeronautics" which you will find to differ but little from those selected by Selfridge.

(Signed) O. Chanute.