

Mauro, Cameron, Lewis & Massie to Bell.

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

Washington, D.C., Feb. 11, 1909:- Complying with the directions contained in yours of the 2d inst., Mr. Cameron has had a consultation with Mr. C. J. Bell in regard to the question as to whether there should be a joint application in the names of all the members of the Aerial Experiment Association including Lieut. Selfridge, or make two applications, one in the name of Mr. F. W. Baldwin alone, and the other a joint application. Mr. Bell coincides with the view held by Mr. Cameron, that there should be two applications.

Since Mr. Baldwin alone contributed the subject-matter of claims 1 to 11, and 13 to 16 inclusive, he is unquestionably the sole inventor thereof, and as this matter is clearly and easily segregable from the subject-matter of the other claims, the patent would unquestionably be stronger as a sole patent than it would be if included in the joint application.

Mr. Cameron has carefully considered your suggestions dated January 25th, 1909.

Concave-convex in a lateral direction. We do not think that it would be wise to insert in the claims the limitation "in the lateral direction". We think it would be better to place in the body of the specification say after the word "employed" in the last line of page 3, something like the following:-