

Bell to Charles J. Bell.

To Charles J. Bell,
Pres. Am. Sec. & Trust Co.,
Washington, D.C.

Maddeck, N.S., Oct. 29, 1908:***The question of inventorship is going to be a very complicated one, as the idea of the Association was joint work; one member would contribute one idea, another another, until really it is going to be very difficult to decide who were, or who were not participants in the development of any specific idea.

Of course the inventions will be limited to the claims and when we receive from Mr. Cameron a copy of the claims he proposes to make we can more hopefully look into the question of inventorship of these specific points.

Curtiss and McCurdy will be here soon so we will be all together by the time the claims can arrive here.

You will find in the Bulletins which have been sent to you an account of the Washington Meeting in September last.

You speak of the absolute necessity of having an administrator appointed for the estate of the late Thomas E. Selfridge. None of us know how to go to work upon this matter, and we would all be very much obliged if you, as Trustee of the Association, could take up the matter with Mr. E.A. Selfridge father of Lieut. Selfridge. His address is 2615 California Street, San Francisco, California.***

(Signed) Alexander Graham Bell.