

Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Alexander Melville Bell, January 23, 1880

Letter written by Alexander Graham Bell to his Father. 904 — 14th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., January 23, 1880. Dear Papa:

Willie Ker is anxious to pay off an indebtedness that he has to the Bank in Dunville and he has asked me whether I would be willing to loan him the money required (\$2000) at interest.

Mabel's money could not be used for this purpose unless Ker could give security that would satisfy Mr. J. J. Storrow and C. E. Hubbard — that the investment was made upon a proper business basis — and that it was a suitable investment for Trust money.

Ker prefers that the matter should not be submitted to Storrow and Hubbard — and this throws me upon my own resources. The only money that I have of my own — (excepting my salary) — is the fifteen hundred dollars left with you for investment. I have told Ker to explain the matter to you — and let you know what security he proposes to give.

I am perfectly willing that you should make any arrangement with him in regard to this money that may seem proper to you.

I shall be satisfied with interest at five per cent if payable at stated intervals. In haste.

Your loving son, Alec. Prof. A. M. Bell, Brantford.