

Bell
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57 Ray St South
Hamilton Nov. 12th 1886

My very dear Uncle

Your kind favour
to hand of the 9th inst.

You have slightly misunder-
=stood me in regard to the
weekly offering and the arrears

I am in no way responsible
for what is lacking, I only
notify those who have failed
to pay the amount they promised
weekly, at the end of each quarter

In regard to the money
I received from my dear Father's
Estate I had an account
with Father for my gas

Engine and several other things I had got from time to time which amounted to \$400 so all that I had in cash was a little less than \$300. so by the time I paid up all that I owed, it was all gone. When the Engine came out I had \$91 duty to pay on it, and I had borrowed \$100 from a friend here

This statement will give you an idea of how I disposed of the money I received.

At present I am in no way involved except for the hardware goods I have received within the past month.

I am exceedingly grateful to you for your kindness in offering to lend me \$100 or 200 ^{more} at Savings Bank interest, after carefully thinking the matter over I feel inclined to accept

your generous offer, as I think
I can use it judiciously, and
the use of that money would
give me a good start off

Please retain \$ 3 interest
for the \$100 I have had for
the past year and if you
can favour me with \$195
I will endeavour to use it
to the best of my ability

Please draw out a note
that I may sign and return
to you as guarantee that I
owe — — —

I am delighted to receive
your likeness and I can
mark the change that
years have made upon
your features. I should
like very much to have a
likeness of dear Aunt also.

I send my photo by same
mail which was taken
recently.

With fond regards to all
I remain ever

Your affectionate Nephew

George Mercer Bell

PS Many thanks for present
day tracts I will peruse
it with interest. G.M.B.