



AMERICAN SECURITY AND TRUST COMPANY

Incorporated Under Act of Congress October 1890

Main Office

Fifteenth Street at Pennsylvania Avenue

Capital and Surplus
\$ 5,400,000

Charles J. Bell
President

Office of the President

WASHINGTON, D.C.

2nd of January 1923

Miss Ida M. Tarbell
120 East 19th Street
New York

Dear Miss Tarbell:

I am in receipt of yours of the 29th ult., and will, the first thing to-morrow morning, take the matter up with the Riggs National Bank. I have no doubt they will be able and willing to supply you with valuable data.

You will undoubtedly regret to know that Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell is very seriously ill, the Doctors give us little or no hope for her recovery.

With kind regards.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Charles J. Bell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.