

## Letters from Maud

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### Love Blooms from 1905 – 1909

*“...I am not going to write a very long letter. Just enough to let you know you are constantly in my thoughts, and more than all to assure you that I am still caring for you.”*

These are a few lines from one of the many letters that Maud Purrington wrote her future husband, Frank Johnson, between the years of 1905 and 1909.

These letters give a glimpse of rural life at the turn of the twentieth century, the importance of the Shelburne Falls and Colrain Street Railway, the booming years of the Catamount Hill Reunions, and above all, one example of a courtship of this era and the love that two people shared.

Frank Johnson was the man who saved Trolley No.10 and his son, Marshall Johnson, donated it to the Shelburne Falls Trolley Museum. Find out what might well be the reason Frank Johnson saved the famous No.10!