

HELEN KELLER.

IN *Science* of Feb. 24 we gave an account of Helen Keller, a second Laura Bridgman, who, although blind and deaf, is making wonderful advances in her education. This week we give her

the first instruction to her pupil, who was then six years old. In a month the little girl learned to spell about four hundred words, and in less than three months could write a letter unaided by any one. In six weeks she mastered the Braille (French) system, which is a



HELEN KELLER AND HER TEACHER, MISS ANNIE SULLIVAN.

Dear Mr. Bell,
I am glad
to write you a letter.
Father will send
you picture. I and
Father and aunt did
go to see you in
Washington. I did
play with you
watch. I do love you.
I saw doctor in Wash-
ington. He looked at

portrait and that of her teacher, Miss Annie Sullivan, a graduate of the Perkins Institute at Boston, and also reproduce in facsimile a letter written by Helen Keller to A. Graham Bell of Washington. It was only in March, 1887, that Miss Sullivan was engaged to give

cipher for the blind, enabling them to read what they have written. She has also mastered addition, multiplication, subtraction, and geography. The illustration shows the method in which all this information has been transmitted, — solely through the sense of touch.

my eye. I can read
 stories in my book
 I can write and spell
 and count. Good night.
 My sister can walk
 and run. We have
 fun with jump rope.
 Prince is not good dog.
 He can not get birds.
 Rat did kill baby
 pigeons. Jam sorry.
 Rat does not know
 wrong. Jam mother

and teacher will go
 to Boston in June.
 I will see little Lind
 girls. Nancy will
 go with me. She is.
 a good doll. Father
 will buy me lovely
 new watch. Cousin
 Anna gave me a pretty
 doll. Her name is Allie.
 Good-bye
 Helen Keller.