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Mrs. Harry Walker,
Athens, Alabama.

My dear Friend:

I am very grateful for your promise to send me additional help about Limestone County data on improvements that have taken place in the last ten or twelve years. I am well along with my Seventh Grade history and feel sure it will be ready for the schools when they reassemble in the fall. I am putting my best into this work and feel sure it will serve a useful purpose, as our young people have had nothing adequate or interesting about the State in their school work.

I wonder if you have seen my elementary books, "Our Home Land" for third grade pupils, and "From Campfire to Cahaba", a fifth grade book. The Dixie Book Company of Montgomery is bringing out a series for every grade. The State Department of Education is very sympathetic with this movement and we hope when the Legislature reconvenes will make the teaching of Alabama history, literature and civics obligatory in the several grades to which these suggestions apply in the adopted course of study.

I am very sorry to learn in your letter that you have been ill. I know, however, that the visit of your son and his wife has cheered you up. As soon as you are at liberty to do so, I will be very grateful to have the data which you so kindly agreed to give me, but do not feel overly rushed to send it to me as I have plenty to do on other counties.

Sincerely,

Marie B. Owen