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Hon. R. H. Walker,
Speaker of House,
Montgomery, Ala.

Save this--Dad

My dear Harry:

At the mast head of the Limestone Democrat appears the name of R. H. Walker, Editor and Publisher. There is an old Latin proverb which runs: "I mus et rede mus, felis est mortus." I think the literal translation is something like "when the cat is away the mice will play." That happened in this issue of the Limestone Democrat. I hope and pray that the report is not true. But on the front page I read: "The fire which destroyed three buildings on the east side of the square in January are being rebuilt, J. W. Chambers having the contract for the old bank building, etc." Now, Harry, I don't want to see that fire rebuilt. If it comes to that I doubt not that Jim Chambers will prove an efficient "hand" at the job. The whole thing is wrong; the grammar is not good. Fire is singular as a noun; yet it is followed by a verb plural in meaning. It plainly says that the fire are being rebuilt.

All this goes to prove that when the cat is away the mice will play. Now if this had happened to some other newspaper, the error would have been excusable. But for the Speaker of the House, - Oh, well, I think I shall come to Montgomery and if you will grant me the privilege of the House, I shall ask that the matter be referred to the committee on, - oh what would be a good committee? You will have to refer it. Therefore, select the proper committee.

I note from your article in this week's issue of the Democrat your reference to Irby Hall. Really, isn't he a great guy?

With good wishes,

Cordially yours,

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