

Memphis
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Dear father

I left Sebaron for home last Sunday, I parted on good terms with my body, and my friends regret exceedingly my sudden & unexpected departure, My reasons for leaving there is not known to any but my most intimate of friends, Be assured I left there on friendly terms, with all and it was well known that I was going home, My motives for leaving Sebaron will be a "sacred secret" in my own breast, I am going home and be a man "Money" "money" I am going to make, I shall go to Texas to practice, I will write you at length when I reach the Rock-
Your son
L. P. Stephens

Write your mother
I am in the City of Memphis



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