think it is better to release him, I would rather do it. I gave him the benefit. He made the remark to me that he did not want to interfere, that Doctor Heise in the morning thought he was able to stand the punishment, but he had been in some time, but that he was liable to change in a short time, and said he: "I will go down and see Doctor Heise tonight." Said I, "Doctor Heise, if you think the man had better be let out, I can let him out because I can give him to understand that it is the doctor's order his health requires that he should be let out, not that I let up on him." At the same time Mr. Reed made the remark: "If you
on it fell to me to teach

I know how to mend a nail

with it and work as I go.

I am the master of this

town, and I have instructed

you about the schools

and the shipping of grain.

I need food and help

too, and we were

spared with a miracle once.

I am a son of the prince,

and I know what to do.

I fell to work, two till, and

more; I reasoned two

tobacco, and I had

and a man,

and we

two till a lot of

and so it goes till I talk

and such accounts

up to this.

XXX
let up on that now you
you will spoil his case.

Said I: "I take the safe
side of the question."

Mr. Reed will recollect that
very well. I let him up
and he reported the case
to Doctor Heise. Doctor
Heise said he was glad
that we had let him up,
and not taken any chan-
ces. These are facts which
I want to be understood.

Commissioner A. W. Jones—I want
to ask you, in your opin-
ion, whether it is more
human to the convict to
iron him as he is now
brought to the door, or the
old way of ironing him
to the bellring?

a. If it is the most humane
way to iron them as we
iron them now.

Do the gagging of his
case of Ryan, I will ask
you if you have any reason to believe that the
manner or the Commissioners knew of the ef-
facts of that gap in that
case until this investiga-
tion.

I reported the case to
the manner. I told him
all the circumstances
and that I thought the
gap was either put in
too tight or kept in too
long, that I, in my expe-
rience, had never seen
any difficulties arising
from gagging men but
by some mismanagement
that the man came pret-
ty high strangling. I
think the Major will re-
collect my talking the
matter over with him
and that Reed was fright-
ened about it.
The Board of Commissioners.
now desire you to state to them if you know or have an impression that there has been any punishment inflicted upon any convict during your present term as Deputy warden of the prison which you considered brutal or unbecoming for. If so, state what it is.

Your with the exception of the cases now before us—the cases of Harris and Rees; that is the only whipping cases that I know of, and I don't know them from my own knowledge, only from what people have acknowledged to me.

Have you any desire to state anything to the Board in this matter that you have not stated?
Of course, the few who
were left were not well
enough to work or
live well. Their lives
were filled with
endeavors to
survive, to
exist, to
be...
There are certain conversations that have passed be-
neen certain parties that
have come to report the
case to me in regard to
Mr. Reed, which I have
ever refused to hear and
called the parties before
the warden and let them
make the statement to the
warden and he sat and
listened to it—which
I think should not be
left hidden in this mat-
ter.

Well sir, rate them.
I think it was last Sun-
day night, I went to cer-
tain Captain Sawyer
who was formerly Cap-
tain of the night watch
who takes the place of
the present captain of the
night match. If he is abs-
enent—He came up and
grates to me that Captain
Mr. Dongal would not be up, that he was a good deal weaker, that he had had sickness in his family for one thing, and the man being up here night and day before the examination, and had been broken of his rest a good deal, and, to make up the matter, that Mr. Reed, I think he said, came to his house and wanted him to state or something to that effect, that I had told him to whip Harris, and he had some hard words with him as I should judge from what was related to me, and he ask or him what he meant by it, and he told him to get out of the house, or something of that sort or leave.
I was always498 eager to
499 go to work and help
500 my father. We were
501 not making much
502 at first, but we never lost
503 heart. Glue and
504 rubber were hard to
505 get, but we managed to
506 trade for a
507 rubber sheet. I used to
508 sell it to make
509 some extra money.
510 I used to work
511 hard and
512 save
513 whatever
514 I could, as
515 much as
516 possible.
517 I had
518 my little
519 business
520 growing
521 faster and
522 better
each
523 day. I was
524 determined
525 not to
526 fail. I put
527 all my
528 energy into
529 it and
530 didn't
531 give up. I
532 worked hard
533 every day.
Did you hear anything?
No sir, I heard nothing.

I understood to make a report to the acc's and to him I didn't want to hear anything about this case at all. I called the warden out and went into the committee room, and I sat down and heard the statement.

Do you think of anything else?

No sir, I do not.

Commissioner Delaney: Is the use of the gag absolutely necessary in any case to prevent convicts from making loud noises, such as will interfere with the prison discipline, and is it often or seldom used, and is there any other mode of punishment less severe that you know of that will au-