

Commissioner A. M. Jones. Did you report that whipping five or six times to any officer of this prison; if so, to whom?

a No sir, I did not. I did not report the fact for the reasons above stated — that I thought that they knew it and that it was none of my business, as I am not in the habit of taking care of other people's departments around here. I think I have got enough to do at my own.

Q Is there anything that you desire to state to the Board of Commissioners in regard to anything else connected with this matter?

a No sir, I don't know of anything else.

Commenced on 11th June 1911
your report that nothing
has been done to improve
the position of the
workers?
The only thing I think
must report the fact for the
members above state - that
I thought that they would
and that it was more of
my business, as I was
in the habit of taking
of other people's business
around here. I think I have
got enough to do at my
own
I do not see anything that you
desire to state but I have
I am in a way
to improve the position of
with the matter
No one I have known of any
things like

Deputy Warden Benjamin L. Mayhew, being recalled, testified as follows.

Examination by
Commissioner A. M. Jones

Q State your name

A Benjamin L. Mayhew.

Q What position, if any, do you occupy in this prison?

A Deputy Warden.

Q How long have you occupied that position?

A Since a year ago the first day of last April.

Warden M. Laughry. That is your last term.

A Yes sir, my last term.

Commissioner A. M. Jones. State to the Board of Commissioners if you know any facts connected with the death of Convict Gus Reid?

A I know nothing only what I was told.

g State what you know of your own knowledge.

a On Monday morning the case was reported to me that two were fighting in the west wing, one by the name of Gus Reid, and one by the name of Mitchell, I think but I won't be positive, and that they were taken over to the Solitary on Sunday night sometime in the evening, those men were locked up that evening and the next morning I saw them, and whether I ordered them put in irons or not — I think likely I did — I don't recollect — I should ordinarily do that with two men that were fighting. Mr. Reid states I did order them in irons and I presume he is correct, I have no distinct recollection about it. Ordinary cases where two men

State and at your service of the
your knowledge
On Wednesday morning the
case was referred to us the
two were fighting in the
realizing one by the means
of your kind and our big
the name of William H. Miller
but I would be foolish to
us that they were taken
over to the children in the
day night arrangements in the
chance, there were no
rolled up but evening
the next morning I saw
them and what I had
them put in room or not
I think likely I did - I had
remembered - I should not have
to be that with two minutes
that were fighting. Mr. K. H.
later I had a letter from them
more and I presume it is
important. I have no doubt
remembered about it. And the
my name in the letter was

get to fighting, I put them
in irons. By "in irons," I
mean, I stand them at the
door with their hands pass-
ed through the grating and
hand cuffs put on them.
I heard no more of this
case that I can remember
until Tuesday noon. That
was the 7th of May. I
think I was absent from
the Institution in the fore-
noon. When I returned, M.
Reed, the day keeper in
solitary, reported to me that
Gus Reid had been noisy.
I think I said to him "If
he is noisy, stand him
^{at} the door and stop his
noise." He said to me
that he was already at
the door. By stopping his
noise it is generally un-
derstood to use the gag.
I think that was the or-
der. Late in the afternoon

get to fighting, I put them
in rows. By "in rows" I
mean, I stand them at the
door with their hands for-
ward though the pointing and
hand cuffs put on them.
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case that I can remember
until Tuesday noon. The
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the institution in the fore-
noon. When I returned, Mr.
Reed, the day keeper in
habited, reported to me that
you Reed had been saying
"I think I said to him" of
he is saying, about this
the door and staff his
I said, "the said to me
that he was already at
the door. By stopping his
voice it is generally un-
desirable to use the staff.
I think that was the
best lot in the afternoon

I think I asked him if he had gagged him, and he said he had, and stopped his noise. Before whistle time, which is six o'clock I heard some noise in the solitary and asked who it was, and he said it was Reid had commenced his noise again. This was between five and half past five in the afternoon if I recollect right. He wanted to know if I should take him out of irons that night, and I told him no, if he continued his noise to leave him standing at the door, he did so. After the count was taken I went to supper, and at the supper table I was called from the table to sign some papers for new men that had arrived in the Institution, and while

I think I asked him if
he had gapped him and
he said he had and that
was his name. Before
the time, which is six o'clock
I heard some noise in
the hallway and asked who
it was, and he said it
was Reid who came
his name again. This was
between five and half
past five in the afternoon
if I recollect right. He
mounted to town if I should
take him out of town that
night, and I told him so.
If he continues his noise
to be sure being standing
at the door, he did so. After
the count was taken I
went to supper, and at
the supper table I was
called from the table to
sign some papers for men
over that had arrived in
the institution, and while

at the desk I saw Captain
McDougle, Captain of the
night watch. Captain Mc
Dougle's duties are after
the whistle blows and the
change of officers is made
and the night watch set,
to take charge of the in-
stitution, and report if
anything special occurs.
It is supposed to be left
in his charge so that we
can go to bed and go to
sleep; I told him that
Reid was in irons; that
I had left him in irons
because he was noisy, ^{and}
if he made any extra
noise, to call me. At the
same time, I said to him
that I had changed my
rooms, that they were re-
pairing my house and
that he would find me
back of the dining room.
When I change rooms, I

at the desk I saw Captain
Mr. Knappe, Captain of the
night patrol. Captain Mr.
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the midnight hours and the
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and the night patrol set
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stitution, and report if
anything special occurs.
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in his charge so that we
can go to bed and go to
sleep. I told him that
Perry was in room; that
I had left him in room
because he was noisy.
If he makes any extra
noise to call me. At the
same time, I said to him
that I had changed my
room, that they were re-
fraining my house and
that he would find me
back of the dining room.
When I change rooms, I

always notify him where
he can find me in the
night. I should think about
a quarter past seven - it
could not have been more
than fifteen or twenty min-
utes from that time - it
might have been thirty
minutes - someone rapped
at the door, and my daugh-
ter stepped to and opened
the door, and said captain
Mc Dougle wanted to speak
to me, and I told him to
walk in, and he asked me
to come out into the hall,
and when I went out he
said: "Reid is dead." I don't
know what questions I
asked him. I asked him
what the trouble was, or
something of that sort,
as I naturally should. I
don't recollect what I said
to him. I went immedi-
ately down to the solitary and