

building a solitary with  
 walls about eight feet  
 square, with three walls, so  
 that the noise made by  
 any animal could not be  
 heard beyond the walls of  
 the solitary with the view  
 of first turning them in  
 there was letting them find  
 themselves true if they wanted  
 to; but the proposition was  
 not set up. I think it  
 was not even presented  
 by the Committee to the dis-  
 crepancy. I never heard of  
 it. As far as the prison  
 is concerned the Commission  
 have never felt that we  
 had authority to put up  
 that building, and they  
 certainly have never had the  
 money to do it with without  
 an appropriation from the  
 Legislature. All the finances  
 of the prison we have been  
 able to cover since I



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g I would like to call your attention to the Ryan case of gagging and in order to refresh your memory I think the deputy warden stated that he reported that case to you and in your evidence I think you have stated that you never knew any bad effects from the use of the gag.

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 was Captain Walker has  
 trouble with him at one



time when they were lat-  
ing him from the north  
wing, I believe, to the Sol-  
itary. He broke away and  
fought, and he fought  
so desperately that they  
deemed it necessary to  
knock it down. The De-  
puty warden and Sleeper  
came in at once and re-  
ported the case to me. I  
enquired into it and ap-  
proved their action be-  
cause I thought it was  
the only way they could  
get that fellow to the  
Solitary. He was a very  
desperate man. I was  
under the impression, un-  
til the deputy gave his  
testimony that I had not  
been informed of the time  
that Ryan was gagged, as  
testified to by Mr. Reed when  
he states that he came  
so near dying, I can not



[illegible]



I now recollect of having been informed of it, and I recollect of being surprised at the statement when Reed made it; and yet it is quite possible that I may have been informed of it, and if Mr. Mayhew's recollection is clear upon that point, I would not say that I was not informed of it. I may have been. If I was told of it, it probably occurred while I was absent from the prison, and was told of it when I came home, but I don't recollect. I recollect distinctly that Captain Sleep or underlook to take Ryan from the shop in company with M. Cronin, and when coming through the gate through the East wing, Ryan broke away and fought them until they were com-



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er undertook to take me  
on from the shop in con-  
sultation with Mr. Goring, and  
after carrying through the  
gate through the back wall,  
I was back among the people  
and was with them ever



spelled to knock him down. Captain Sleeper and M. May-  
her came immediately af-  
ter Ryan had been taken  
to the Solitary, and reported  
that case to me. I happen-  
ed to be in the office. I  
recollect further in rela-  
tion to this time that they  
had the trouble with Ryan  
that while he was in Sol-  
itary after this fuss with  
him, Doctor Carviell, Super-  
intendent of the Insane  
Asylum at Jacksonville  
was here on a visit per-  
haps the next day or the  
day after, and I took him  
to the cell where Ryan  
was confined and asked  
him to look at him and  
stated to him vicious char-  
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asked his opinion as to  
his sanity. His reply was  
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ment crazy it would be through his extreme viciousness and ugliness. Mr. Reed testified that there was at one time in this institution a gag in use which had a piece to fit around the back of the neck — a wooden piece. I wish to say that I have never seen such a gag and none has been in use during my connection with the prison to my knowledge or by my orders or with my authority. The only gag in use has been this plain straight stick that has been exhibited here before the Board — a gag of that kind. It is made with the intention of inflicting the least pain possible in restraining the man's noise and in no case have I,



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or my subordinates to my knowledge ever authorized its use, or used it for a moment longer than was absolutely necessary to restrain the convicts noise and make him keep quiet. I consider it necessary. I cannot imagine how we would enforce quiet if the prisoners did not understand that the gag would be applied to them in case they persisted in making a noise. I think it should be absolutely impossible to maintain quiet in the prison. There are so many vicious men here who are only restrained by fear of punishment, that it would be impossible to restrain them if they didn't know that they would be punished.



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