sentinels. The wood master was of sufficient capacity for the purpose. allowed as large a detail for this but he could not find one. purpose as he thought necessary. The hospital accommodations He stated on oath, that the average were not such as were desired by

posed as they were, twice or thrio; even straw, and withat a distress, the quantity would not have ren- ing scarcity of medicines. Time dered them comtortable. When the plan was agreed upon for these articles upon the proper for the two governments to sent officials, but with very little success. in the prison. From the 1st of Ocsupplies to their respective soldier. The United States had made media tober, 1864, to the 17 of February in prison. Major Gee made out: cines contraband of war a remarks 1865, there were 3,419 deaths requisition for ten thousand suits able innovation on the rules of civils among the prisoners. The number of clothing and sent it to the proprisized warfare and the meagre and of daily deathe varied from eighauthorities at Richmond. A large irregular medical stores that ran teen to forty. On one day about supply was received and distributed the blockade were their sole depen. sixty-five died. In its worst days under the supervision of United dence (outside of captures by the the condition of the prison was States officers, who were paroled army) for the supply of the scores shocking-the appearance and suffor that purpose, In addition to of thousands of the sick and wound. ferings of the prisoners barrowed the other ills, they had to bear the ed who were weltering in homes in the extreme. The red clay so: pangs of hunger. Just prior to and hospitals all over the bleeding, held the water, and under the tramp their sudden advent, Major Myers panting South. The humane sur post commissary, had in obedience geons of the prison had but little mud. In December a number of to orders, sent all, or nearly all, his margin for the exercise of their prostores to Richmond, Goldsboro and fessional skill. Their dispensary Wilmington. The district from was painfully scant and ill-furnishwhich he was allowed to draw was ed. As they looked upon the emps limited to Surry, Yadkin, Davie, ty bottles and bare shelves, they Davidson, Iredell, Rowan, Cabar, must have mused often and painrus, Stanly, Montgomery and Ane fally of the vast repositories of son; and for a time, Stokes and those articles which would save Forsyth counties. From these he those men's lives, hoarded in the had received and shipped to the warehouses of their kinsmen and ed the very springs of life. Doomarmy vast quantities, and it had fellow-citizens at the North, and ed to inevitable idleness and macts. now become extremely difficult to denied by the government which wity, with no sight but such as agprocure day by day what was resithey had imperilled all to defend, gregated the gloom and horror of quired. With a daily demand of When demands were made upon their shrouded hearts, with hope thirteen thousand rations, he often Capt. Goodman for straw and lum- deterred from week to week, from had not a day's supply ahead, and ber for bunks, he urged the improb- month to month, many of them sank Cavests, and Trade-Marks obtained, and Patno certain source or means for pro- ability of obtaining either. The under the sheer burden of despair, curing it. He engaged the mills hospital on the second floor of the targe building was fitted with good bunks, and two or three of the smaller ones had bunks also. One of them was better supplied than

for miles around to grind for him-He sent out purchasing and impressed agents with rigid instrucnons. He wrote to various points for assistance. He went or sent daily to the depot and train to impress the passing supplies. He, on one occasion, seized some stores that were on the train en route to Lee's army. He joined Major Gerin his protest about more prisoners coming. He begged, entreated, extort provisions from them. tity than he had ever received in a general dilapidation and scarcity, Northern prison. In addition the A SURGEON GAVE HIS LIFE FOR risons were sometimes the recipi-

Although such efforts were made were his cares and labors for them to provide water, the supply was that, at the close of a day of over- possible for my neighbor to with-

SALISBURY (N. C.) PRISON. til they drained one mother. The tion had no blankets. Such being prisoners were allowed under guard, their condition it is evident that to cross the bridge and get water their sufferings in the cold winter from the wells in tov a. Those that were intolerable. Situated as they were near the prison were often were the allowance of wood, accords kept low and maddy by their coning to army regulations, was insuf- stant drawing. They were allowed ficient. Yet as to fuel most ener- to go in squads, as numerous as getic efforts were bade to supply could be guarded with the small them. A train ran regularly on the number of the garrison, to the creek Western Railroad to transport wood, which ran within a new hundred Firty or sixty of the prisoners went yards of the place. From there with it as a detail for loading and they brought water in barrels. They unloading. Numbers of wagons were going and returning all were frequently it not constantly through the day. Strenuous efforts employed in hauling wood to them. were made to have the creek turned The wood yard was immediately on to run through the grounds, but the Central road, near the crossing Major Turner, on examination, projust west of the stockade. It was nounced it impracticable with the carried thence by the prisoners who means at hand. One of the guard passed to and fro between a line of was detailed to try to obtain a pump

quantity furnished the prisoners the prison officials, and were greatwas 35 or 40 cords per day. Ac- is inadequate to the necessities or cording to Gen. Johnston they ray so large a number of men so unfaceived more nearly, on an average, vorably situated. The buildings the regulation allowance, than the were too small, there was a limited troops who gnarded them. Yet ex supply of banks and covering, and ofter time were requisitions made

Gen. Bradley T. Johnston, who by appointment took command of he post an the 24th of December 64, was a true gentleman with a generous, sympathetic heart, and oined his strenuous exertions to those of other officials to alleviate warned, threatened the people to the sufferings of the prisoners. He complained heavily of the quarter have seen him in the hervy rain, master to Gen. Gardner for his indashing hither and thither, striving efficiency, and deplored the necessisto meet the requisitions that were ty of the sick having sometimes to made upon him. When the condi- lie on the bare floor. If all the elfrom of the people was such that he forts made by Drs. Curry and Wilcould neither buy nor impress, he son, Maj. Gee and Gen. Johnston to would borrow from them. At first have the hospitals furnished were the ration was 12 w. flour, 1 lb. beet known, it would speak loudly in or 1 3 w. bacon for in lieu of meat their honor and silence the maledicwhen it could not be had 1 w. po- trong of those who say that the tatoes or 14 gills sorgum) and to prisoners suffered from inhumanity e ery hundred men 10 lbs, rice and instead of necessity. Capt. Good S qis. sait. As the scarcity grew man may or may not have done the more pressing the flour was reduced best he could. His good teams o is pound or meal was taken. That were taken away from him and was in December. Sometimes sev. broken-down stock put in their eral days would elapse without places. The reads were almost in-Maj. Myers being able to procure passable «Straw was scarce. The any meat. The same rations were saw mills were not competent to issued to the guard as to the priss the constant demands upon them. oners. Indeed, if preference was His wagons had to be used for vashown, it was in favor of the prist rious indispensible purposes. It When Col. Folk had re- may sately be affirmed that a far turned from his imprisonment and more efficient man would not have visited the Salisbury prison, he pro- been able to meet the overwhelming nounced the rations more in quan- requisitions made upon him in the

the hospital for the guard.

THE PRISONERS. ent of humane offerings by the citi. The surgeons were faithful and zens, and had the liberty, when hamane, by the admission of the outside, to purchase, at least occas prisoners themselves. Dr. Richard sionally, from the numerous hucks O Currie, from Knoxville, estabsters that hung around the garris lished a most enviable reputation by his self-sacrificing efforts, as CLIMBING OAKS FOR ACORNS. chief surgeon, to minister to the Yet after all this, they suffered poor sufferers. They seemed to intensely from hunger. They burden his heart continually. He would climb the oaks for acorns and visited them with the spirit of his fish from the filthy sewers the crusts Savior. A good physician, he musand the bones. The sick especially istered to them in sickness-an suffered, as what they got was of- earnest preacher of the Gospel, he ten so coarse that they could not strove to instruct them in the way of life. So incessant and exhausting

insufficient for drinking, cooking powering toil, he was violently at- | draw his money, does not sound to

and washing. Well were dug un tacked with brain fever, and in a me much like "equal justice to all, few days passed from his noble toils and special privilages to none." to the Land of Rest-dying a mare | Frank, son of C. R. Kelly is quite tyr to the Federal prisoners. sick.

His successor, Dr. Wilson, was Mr. N. A. McIntosh, of Lucia, sick, some on bunks and some on potato family-to us at least. the means at his disposal, the as will be procured. trustful attachment he evinced for vited. Dr. Wilson, as he begged me to find Lowesville, N. C., June 5 h, 1893him and send him to him, I did so, and the doctor went promptly.

The mead of professional fidelity is due to all his assistant surgeons. of thousands became the scene of prisorers were detailed to police the enclosure, but so boggy was the whole surface that they could do

drain the ground sufficiently. The prisoners were the very perconfication of forlorn wretchedness They seemed to grow more and more dejected and an enou; congea). and with a stolid silence and indifference to time or eternity, figishing their mercal serrows in death.

but little. Ditching would not

(Continued next week.)

### Lowesville Letter

Mr. Editor: -An infant child of Mr. W. J. Steel's died Tueseav of

The last Legislature is being se verely criticised for its action as regards the State Busicess Agency Fund. Now we happen to have nothing in that Fund, and for the acason that the charter did not allow its with drawat at our pleasure. We know men who did invest in that Fund that want their money back badly. What more just ourse could the Legislature have aken then to allow them to withtraw their money from a Fond werein they could not derive one iota of benefit. Every body knows that unless one is in good standing in the Alliance he cannot buy through the Business Agency. Wherem is the justice in one man farnishing the money to create a foud to support another man, the one furnishing the money not being allowed to receive any of the profits and another man who has not one cent invested receiving the benefits of investment. Surely Mr. Editor the Third party at Reepsyllie do not expect to cover Justice with a flimsy cloak like this. And allow us to say had the late Legislature, turough fear of this blat at "boogar boo," failed to have so changed the Charter as to allow such as were debarred by non-affiliation with the Tourd party deriving benefit from their honest money invested or withdrawing it at their pleasure, we for, would have branded such Lega islators as unworthy the trust cotfided them. We have no objections to a man joining the Third party, or any other party, if he is honestly convinced that he is thereby doing himself and his county a good deed, but for them to take my money or my neighbors money and therewith create a fund the sole benefit of which is derived by themselves and then for them to kick up such a row when the Legislature makes it

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also a kind-hearted, faithful chriss Gaston county sent us an trish potian surgeon. After the main body tato vine on which were several of the prisoners had left, I received well developed potatoes. He writes an invitation from him to hold di- us that his brother has one short vine service for the sick in the bases row from which he gathers enough ment of the large building. At his to supply his family. These potarequest I had before held services toes bear both in the ground and on in the main grounds. In the hospit, the vine above the ground. This al were a considerable number of is something pecular in the Irish

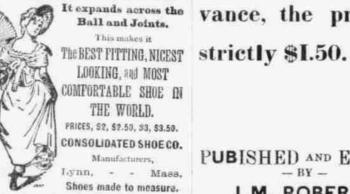
the floor. Those on the floor were | The farmers are harvesting their not RERUIRED but PERMITTED to wheat. They report the straw lie there, as they preferred it. The short, but the grain well developed floor was clean, and, considering and it is thought a good average

partment was in good condition. There will be a Union Sunday He accompanied me and remained celebration and basket picale at to the close of the services. At his Rock Springs Campground on July request I visited a dying prisoner 4th. Able speakers will deliver ad who had been removed to a good dresses, and a good time generally bank in the guard hospital. After is expected. The supervision will coeversing with him freely, when in be under the management of a comthe act of leaving, I could not but mittee from Denver and Bethel be impressed with the affecting and Sunday Schools. Everybody is the BILL SHANKS.

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