

of man he was, whether they respected him and so forth? Do you recall any of those stories?

J: My father Philip said that he stayed with him some, that Henry Berry was a mighty respectable man, had a lot of respect for women and children and so on. Later on, as he disappeared, someone said that he was killed. My dad said that he was well acquainted with him, that he absolutely was not killed, that he was left from here.

D: He seemed to think he left.

J: He remembered he absolutely knowed that he was shipped. He was shipped off in a large box. He just absolutely knew that he was not killed.

D: There seem to be a quite a few who feel that he was not killed, that he escaped some way from here. As a matter of fact, some feel that he went away with General Gorman, who came down to capture him, and became his friend, and went away with him.

Mr. Jones, a few minutes ago, you said something about at Fort Fisher they would use a bucking gag as a punishment. Would you explain what you mean by a bucking gag, the position they would put this person who was being punished in?

J: They'd tie your hands together, right about your wrists, make you sit down, and slip them over your knees.

D: Tie your hands together, slip them over your knees.

J: That's right. And lay you down on your side, and drive a stick between your arms, and the work of your knee. You lay on your side, no way in the world that you could move. For a punishment for not working, they said in those hot days in the sand, they would turn your face to the sun. If the sun moved over and got away from your face, they could move you a little bit more, put the sun right in your face, and whenever they'd take you up, they'd had no more trouble about your work. You'd go to work.

D: This made a good boy out of them?

J: Made a good boy. Put him to work.

D: What did your grandparents do for a living, farm or lumber? Did you ever hear them say what they did for a living?

J: My grandparents?