

Tarboro, N.C. Oct 9th 1895,

Hon. Elias Carr, Gov. of N.C.

Lately I have thought a great deal
of the water supply of eastern N.C.

and of irrigation

For us, in the eastern part of the State,
pure drinking water is of the
first importance as to health, and
equally so is ~~the~~ irrigation to the
farmer. I think we can have
both. I am confident we can
have the first. - pure water to drink.
The State Geologist could be of
great help for both. His investigation
of these subjects would be to us
of ~~of~~ greater importance than as the
minor interest is to the West.
The health of our whole section
would be another thing as to betterment.

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and our agricultural interest
improves to an inextinguishable degree.
Good health is the greatest wealth.
The health of the laboring man
is his invested Capital; ~~to~~ ^{his} ~~value~~
and also his value to the State
depends on his health. I am
only making notes of these thoughts.
which you will wish to have
be suggestive of others, and
of their influence to the individual
and the State.

I do not know the amount of
appropriation by the State to the
work of the Geologist. It
occurs to me that the eastern
part of the State should have
some part of the labor of
the Geologist. I am not

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Complaining but Suggesting.
The time is coming when
irrigation is to be considered all
important to the farmer, and
the matter must have its
share of our attention. - Of this
you have doubly thought
as I do.

What I want is broad, or
artesian well.

In one part of the State, at Jordan,
there is a slight over flow
from the depth of 60 ft. and
at over an hundred ft. at
any point at which the pipe
has been let down, the
water comes to about 15 or 20
feet of the surface. - Near
enough for the pump to be
used.

Would it not be the proper
 -thing for the Geologist to
 investigate this matter. It may
 be that our flowing wells may
 be found. It so, they would serve
 for pure water to drink, and
 for irrigation for our Crops. -
 the two things, the most important
 to us. and would bring more
 money to the City and State
 than the gold and Silver Mines.
 Pardon me for calling your
 attention to these matters, which
 I think of in the interest to
 our Citizens and the State. "Public
 Health is public wealth"

Very Respectfully Submitted.

For Oct. Inst.

L. W. Jones.