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Dear Elias Larr:

Gov. of N.C.

Your letter in reply to mine is  
just as said.

You said that there is to  
be a well bond or mine  
by the State at the State  
farm.

I would be pleased to get  
the application used at State  
farms in some way - that  
we could make the trial  
at this place. The State  
could aid in the case that  
much if no more.

I think I could raise some  
money for that purpose in  
our town. I would like to

be informed of the cost  
and of the appliances for  
the well boring. A  
Drum well would not  
do on purpose. I wish  
to go below the main  
deposits. It could be done as the  
washing out part by the  
water from one water works  
which is a big part of the  
work.

I wrote to Prof. Holmes  
asking for this information  
but have received no reply—  
If Prof. Holmes becomes interested  
in this matter I would give him  
all the aid that I am Command.  
as could get for him Spurs  
of the ground as the auger  
passes down. I put it  
up in the tube used  
for this purpose, as a

Specimens for the State Museum.

This can be made a profitable  
 as proper state work, and  
 can be turned to great  
 good and profit.

Should not the State protect the  
 Health as well as the Wealth  
 of the Citizen? Really, the  
 Health is a great part of the  
 Wealth of the State. The healthy  
 man does more work, so,  
 makes more money - less the  
 loss of time and expense of his  
 sickness. And, the loss of a  
 healthy section sells for more  
 money. This being true, it  
 is clearly true that the  
 State should give a monetary  
 view look after the health of  
 the citizen, and the healthiness of

of the Country. Health is  
 wealth, and the only Capital  
 the Labourer has is his health.  
 The State should protect it as  
 it does the land or the bonds.  
 This is the Cold, materialistic  
 view of the subject - not counting  
 the pain and suffering consequent  
 as caused by sickness.  
 It seems to me that the State  
 through its Geologist Com-  
 missioner helps us as to our  
 health - and <sup>the</sup> value of  
 property, and so increases taxes.  
 When the Loring apparatus  
 has been used on State farms  
 we could get it in use  
 it by permission of the State  
 This, if no more the State could  
 do. I think it should do more.

the State Police the Oysters,  
 but leaves the Citizens to  
 the ravages of Maloim.  
 I have spoken to no one  
 about the letters I write to  
 you or my intended efforts  
 for the betterment of our  
 people's health, and do  
 not intend to do so, till I  
 have gotten something tangible  
 or the information needed in  
 the case.

You bring an excellent move-  
 can see and feel the importance  
 of the subject to our people.

As to irrigation. It is not so  
 much the quantity of rain fall,  
 as it is the time of the rain  
 fall. In my opinion, a

Proper irrigation would  
 increase the production of  
 our soil to an inestimable  
 extent. Rice could be grown  
 on the hills, as is done in China  
 by means of irrigation, & the  
 truck interest would be  
 equally benefited.

But, I fear you, I know your  
 time is all taken up by  
 State matters.

Be pleased to get through  
 Prof. Adams or my son  
 one acquainted with the subject,  
 the proper appliances & the  
 cost of it for raising deep wells.

Very Respectfully  
 your Obedt. Servt.

J. W. Jones