Sir

Having been informed by the Secretary of the Treasury that he had committed the general superintendency of the Light house establishment to you, & that my future correspondence relative to those establishments is to be with you — I now enclose you an account of the payment made by me as Superintendent of the Light House in this State for its support for the quarter year ending the 30th day of June past — and I also enclose you a Contract with Titus Salter for the support and attendance of said Light house for the half year commencing the first of July instant for the purpose of obtaining the approbation of the President of the United States thereof — I have made this

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Rec'd at Boston July 16th 92

(Rec'd since to be made out, from the Light House expenditure of the Commissioners, certified by A.H. Lee & J. Nicholas Esq.rs for a quarter's salary due Mr Salter and an account of Contingencies)

this Contract, as those heretofore, for a short term, on account of some improvements which I conceive to be necessary on the Light house, — the present construction being deficient in several respects, in answering the best purpose for which it was intended.

I am, Sir

very respectfully

Your most Obt Servt

Joseph H Whipple

Lieut Colo Esquire