Sir

Treasury Department
Revenue Office April 18th 1796

The model of a lantern and circular lamp constructed by Mr Wetherele has been exhibited at this office by General Dearborn. An iron lantern had been previously contracted for by him, but some alterations have been made in it in consequence of the Inspection of Mr Wetherele's model. The form of the roof, the circular trap door therein, a top railing (tho' in form a little different) and the ventilators have been varied since.

As it is also proposed to adopt the oil fountain, the circular lamp, the sashed tube around the lamp and screw, with all the matters necessary to work them and to connect them with the great iron lantern, I shall be glad if you will procure from Mr Wetherele proposals of the terms upon which he will execute the said lamp, oil fountain, sashed tube, screw &c.a

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It is required, that the light at Seguin be distinguishable from others.- I wish you to procure from him (or any other ingenious person) a plan for the same, with the terms upon which he will make and furnish such things as may be necessary to effect the End in view. - It is presumed that a blind or screen with movements to bring it periodically between the lamp and persons on board inward bound vessels, will be the requisites.

I am, Sir,

with much respect

Your very obed't Servant

Tench Coxe

Commissioner of the Revenue

Benj.n Lincoln, Esq.r

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