Treasury Department

Revenue Office, January 27. 1797

Sir

I am this day informed that the President has determined to allow the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to the Keeper of the Light-House at Segwin, for the following purposes.—

1st to clear the Woods and bushes from the land around the Houses, and buildings, so as to free them from danger in case the woods or bushes were to take fire.— This will put that part of the land in a situation for gardening, ploughing &c.—

2dly to clear so much more of the public land as may be fit for the spade, the plough or scythe.—

3dly to clear up the underwoods and underbrush of the remainder of the land, which is in any degree fit for pasturage and grazing, tho' it may be too rough to cultivate.—

4thly to fence the garden, stackyard and any other parts of the land that may require it.—

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The first object is to be preferred, as highly prudent and necessary. The money may be paid by you from time to time, in such manner as you find it proper and requisite. An account of what has been done, should be reported quarterly, till the sum shall be expended. It is to be precisely understood that nothing is authorized beyond 150 Dollars. – It is expected that it will be substantiated, that labor and improvements to the amount have been applied and made by the Keeper or persons employed by him.

I am Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

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Commissioner of the Revenue

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Benjamin Lincoln Esq.
Superintendent of Massachusetts Light Houses
Boston

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Agreement to
Augment the Light
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