Sandwich Cape

April 19th 1817

Brig.r Gen.l Dearborn

Sir I have Lived at this place
Abought Six years and have
kept A light for the benefit
of Mariners Most of the time
Mostley at My One Expence
Excepting in war times
and whereas there is a Light
House to be built here
being desirous to be keeper
of this Light and if it Shall
be Consistent with your
Wisdom you would assest me
in having the Compleasance of the
Offis of keeper of Said Light house
and with all Possible respect
I am yours to Command

Phineas Withington

Private & Confidential
Enclosing to Genl Dearborn
a Certificate from Gov.
Lt. Governor

To

Brig. Genl. Dearborn

Collector Boston