Machias September 6th 1827

H. A. S. Leonard Esquire
Collector of the port of Portland

Sir,

Permit me to address you respecting the appointment of a keeper of the new light house, now erecting on the Island of Petitmanan, in favour of Capt Daniel Elliot of this town, by whom request I make the application; among the applicants for that post, which have come to my knowledge, Capt Elliot is for the most deserving, being in my opinion, fully qualified to perform that trust; both in regard to his fidelity & intelligence; & permit me further to say, that Capt Elliot has been been a great friend to this country, in the course of which he has shed a great part of his life.

I have the honour to be
Your Obt Humble Servt
Gideon P. Bryer Collector
of Machias & Inteval Isles for Dist of Machias

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Hon: K. A. S. Dearborne Esqr

Collector of the Port of

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