Mont Solon Columbia Jany 7 - 1817 -

Sir

I called on you in Novr. last for the purpose of Contracting to Build a Light House &c on Pelot ons near Island (near the mouth of this River you told me it was to be Built of Stone; since my return Home I have been reclaiming the Stone abandoned Stores from their General Appearance I think a light House of an Octagonal form could be Built Cheaper than a round, I Still wish to undertake to do it & can perform it as Cheap as any one - being within 5 miles of the spot where it is to be Erected, write you please to write me & let me know if it will be Built this year & when you will receive proposals. I am

very Respectfully Your most

Obt

Thos. Ruggles

Ranges P.M. Free

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