District & Port of Newport,
Collector's Office,
June 20th 1825.

Sir

"The appropriation for the light-house [on Dutch-Island] will not admit of the purchase of the six acres of land laid off, by the appraisers, at the price put upon it"; and I am authorised to purchase two acres in a suitable situation, if the owners of the land will sell at $172 per acre. Will you be so good as to inform me whether the owners of the most southerly part of Dutch-Island will part with two acres of it at the price mentioned, or not?

Your answer on an early day will be very acceptable to

Yr. Mo. Ob. Servt.

Thos. A. Ellery, Col.

Supt. Light Houses

Willet Carpenter Esq

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Will.m Carpenter Esq.

June 20th. 1825

$172 price offered for 2 acres of
southerly part of Dutch Island