Treasury Department
5th Auditor's Office
July 17th 1845

Sir,

I received this morning your letter of the 12th reporting the condition of the Light Houses and Light Vessels, under your care, and the conduct of the several Keepers. Your Account for the last quarter, which was received at the same time, will be noticed hereafter.

I am much gratified to learn that the Tuckernuck floating Light, the two Lights at Chatham, the one at Monomoy Point, at Point Gammon, at Nobsque Point, and Gay Head, are in perfect order requiring no expense.

At Tarpaulin Cove, I observe, a well is required, the water in the Cistern being bad, and also that the North end of the dwelling, which leaks, needs a Coat of hydraulic cement. These repairs which you estimate at 125 dollars, you will be pleased to have made.

At Cuttyhunk, you will cause the cracked panes of Glass to be replaced with new, in the tower (presumed to be the lantern) of suitable quality & size, and a new cellar door to be provided at an expense for the whole of 26 dollars as estimated.

At Holmes Hole you will cause all the repairs

stated to be necessary, to be made, at an expence not exceeding the estimate of 29 dolls.

At Cape Poge the Posts and Rails required may be procured and placed at an expence of 12 dollars.

At Edgartown let the window frames & Sashes be renewed, at an expence not exceeding your estimate of 55 dols.

I am gratified to learn that the conduct of all the Keepers is good.

I am &c.

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