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Hammond the Maps of the sites I will send you copies of them, but should I not receive them in time, I have no doubt that there are people at each place who can point them out to the Contractor.

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Let me hear from you on the re=
=ceipt of this letter.

I am &c. &c.
S. Pleasonton

Samuel K. Harring Esq.
Collector,
Michilimackinac - Michigan.

Treasury Department,
5th Aud.r Office,
June 30th 1847.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 15th June reporting the condition of the St. Joseph's, St George's and Dog Island Light Houses.

I wrote to you lately to know whether the two first mentioned Light Houses, which are ~~necessary~~ directed by law to be discontinued, could not be removed to the two new sites you have selected for the appropriation of 8000 dollars at each place, that sum having been appropriated with a view to remove them, and will not be Suf=
=ficient to build new Light Houses and suffer them to remain. Indeed the Chamber of Commerce at Apalachacola recommended the removal some years ago, in a memorial to Congress. If the Merchants there should now be of opinion that they ought not to be removed, it will be impossible with the present appropriation to build new Light Houses, and I must request you to obtain and foward to me the opinion of the Merchants there on the subject. At St George's it is evident that the

419. old Light ought to be removed to the Cape as if a new one is built they would not be 4 miles apart and Congress will hardly allow that.

Until I hear from you therefore upon the subject, I can say nothing as to the repairs which you state to be necessary at those Light Houses.

At Dog Island you will make the slight repairs which you have reported as necessary. You will also dispose of the remains of the old brick tower for the best price you can obtain, which I hope will equal your estimate of 350 dollars, and credit the same in your Light House account.

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I am &c &c.
S. Pleasonton

Samuel W. Spencer Esq.
Supt of Lights,
Apalachicola Florida.

Treasury Department
5th Aud. Office,
June 30th 1847.

Sir,

I received your letter of the 17th June reporting the condition of the several Light Houses in your District, and shall notice them in the order in which they are presented in the report viz.

Round Island Lights.

I am glad to perceive that this Light is in good order requiring nothing but some paints and an anchor for the Keepers Boat,