Collector's Office,
District of Portland & Falmouth,
Portland, Aug. 5, 1852.

Sir:—

I herewith transmit the names of the several persons proposing to build the Light House on Pond Island, with the sums named by each, to wit:—

S. H. Gould	$ 32.00*
Edward Hawks	2,995.00
Patrick McLaughlin	3,000.00
Henry Moulton	3,500.00
J. D. Bishop	3,600.00
Thomas Cobb	3,674.64
Alvin P. Ferry	3750.00
Grose, McLaughlin & Co.	3859.00
Leonard Andrews	3880.00
Joseph W. Coburn	4200.00

(* Evidently intended for $3,200.00)

Mr. Hawks has, as yet, furnished no security; and shall I proceed to offer to the next lowest bidder, and, if he neglects to furnish security in the course of two days, to proceed on to the next, and so on, giving each one two days to procure security? The time for building is short.

I also transmit ten copies of the Advertisement inviting proposals to build said Light House.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, with great respect,
Your Ob.t Serv.t

Luther Dewey
Collector

Hon. S. Pleasonton,
Fifth Auditor of the Treasury,
Washington.

Rec.d Aug.t 9/52.

Treasury Department
Fifth Auditor's Office
Aug. 9 1852
Received and referred to the Secretary of the Treasury with a letter of this date from Luther Dewey Collector at Key West, Florida, inclosing a letter from Lieut. Edward H. Hunter of the Topographical Engineers dated Key West July 29th 1852 and ten copies of an advertisement for proposals to build a Light House on Carysfort Reef.
S. Pleasonton
Fifth Auditor

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