House of Representatives,

Washington, D. C., Mar 1st, 1882.

Hon Charles J. Folger
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington

Sir:

I inclose to you H. R. Bill No 2838, "Relating to the Unloading of Foreign vessels," and H. R. Bill No 2209, "To establish a life saving and life boat station at or near Cape San Blas" Calhoun County Florida, and respectfully ask the opinion of your Department in regard to them.

Your Respectfully
John W. Candler
M. C.

Bill 2838 referred to Stat Dep.

L.R. 9513 ref. to 9928

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Hon J.W. Candler

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LIFE SAVING SERVICE

OFFICE OF

Superintendent of Life-Saving Stations,

SEVENTH DISTRICT,

Port Orange
~~Biscayne~~, Fla., Dec. 20th, 1878.

Hon. S. I. Kimball
General Superintendent Life-Saving Service

Sir,

At the risk of appearing officious but with the best of motives, I ventured to select a site for House of Refuge & 7th Distr. St. at the Haulover, boathouse to occupy South side of Haulover, main building the North side. The advantages of selected site are 1st its double frontage on Ocean & on New River which are not much over 150 yards apart 2. Its greater proximity to the mouth of the River 3d. Its higher & prettier grounds. Ten acres should accompany the station. A number of bearing cocoanut trees are on the ten acres just North of the Haulover. Land is government reservation. Very respectfully

Champ. H. Spencer
Supt.

Office of Superintendent of Life-Saving Stations, 7th Dist.,
~~Biscayne~~ Fort Jane, Fla.,

Dec. 20th, 1882.

Chas. H. Spences
Superintendent.

Selection of site for
Station 4. District 7.

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Hon. S. I. Kimball
General Superintendent Life-Saving Service
&c.

Sir,

To satisfy myself whether my theoretical notions concerning Key Biscayne were sound I made it a point to visit it. I feel in duty bound to urge it upon your attention as the point peculiarly demanding a life-saving station proper and peculiarly adapted to the purpose

I 1st The system of Keys at this point, is thoroughly pronounced

2. Reefs & vast sand flats near the pathway of commerce mark the increased hazardousness of the coast

II The old light house is a splendid lookout. The residence of brick is repairable. There is eight or nine feet of water up to it by one channel. There are channels to all points and of the suggestion of a sail-life-boat with howdyn & breeches

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buy & were adopted, by proceeding inside the reefs, aid might be extended to the ship-wrecked on the outer-side of reefs, and by following channel aid might be extended to those wrecked on the flats. The land as I am informed is a government reservations. The old buildings should be utilized for life-saving purposes & should not be allowed to go to wreck & ruin.

Very respectfully

Chas. H. Spencer

Supt

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Superintendent.

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Office of Superintendent of Life-Saving Stations, 7th Dist.,
Port Orange
~~Biscayne~~, Fla.,

Dec 20th, 1886.

Champ. H. Spencer
Superintendent.

Attention of Gen'l Supt invoked to Key Biscayne as site for Life-Saving Station proper.

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