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Office of Light-House Engineer,

FIRST AND SECOND DISTRICTS,

Boston, Mass., May 7, 1886

To the Chairman
Light House Board
Washington D.C.

Sir:

At the Portland Me. Breakwater Light Station, which I visited on the 4th inst, all the fresh water used for washing in keeping the tower and its appurtenances in order, has to be carried on the breakwater by the keeper from the shore a distance of more than 2100 feet. An iron tank that would hold about 100 gallons, to be supplied with fresh water like Half Way Rock Light Station by the water boat from Portland Harbor, and

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made in shape to conform to the curvature of the interior of the tower, would not unduly encroach on space necessary for other purposes and is in my judgment not only desirable but necessary. It would probably cost $60. to $75.

Should the Board approve of such an expenditure I will upon being so advised issue a poster and circular letter to make the purchase.

Very Respectfully.
Your Obt Servt.
W. L. Haupt
Major of Engineers
& Engr 1st and 2nd Lt. Distts