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Office of U. S. Light-House Inspector,

FIRST DISTRICT,

Portland, Maine, 2 July, 1887.

Sir:

Under date of June 25th the Keeper of West Quoddy Head Light Station, made a report against the Assistant Keeper in which, without making any specific charges, he said, "I do not "feel safe with him". This taken in connection with a rumor which subsequently reached me of a knock down fight between the Keepers led me to fear that matters were in very bad shape there.

I accordingly made a special inspection of the station and investigated the Keepers report.

I found there was no serious difficulty whatever - only a wrangle about family matters - and neither Keeper had any complaint to make against the other so far as their

their duties were concerned -

The whole station the tower, lantern, fog signals, dwellings and grounds were in beautiful condition in every respect and I came to the conclusion that so long as this condition of affairs continued no action on my part was necessary - I, however, warned both Keepers that wrangling would not be tolerated and that if they could not live together peacibly I should recommend the Board to take serious action in their case.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
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Commander U. S. N.
Inspector 6th L. Dist

Vice-Admiral
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