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Office of U. S. Light-House Engineer, 10th District,
CLEVELAND, OHIO,
April 3, 1893.

Light-House Establishment,
Office of Engineer, Tenth District,
Cleveland, Ohio, April 6, 1893.

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One Inclosures.
In separate roll.

Subject: Grassy Point Ranges, Ohio.
Land for site.

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D.C.

Sirs:

I have the honor to state that in compliance with the request of the Board in letter dated March 17, 1893, measures are being taken to secure the title to the site needed for the new structures for the Grassy Point Range Lights, Ohio; and I am in receipt today of a letter from Mr. E. H. Rhoades of Toledo, Ohio, in which he quotes the price of land for the site for the keeper's dwelling and rear beacon of the range in question, located on Manhattan Point, North Toledo, Ohio, as recommended by the District Officers in joint report dated November 21, 1892, and approved by the Board in letter dated February 13, 1893.

Mr. Rhoades, representing several joint owners of lots Nos. 4, 5, 6, 27, 28 and 29, as indicated on the small tracing of Manhattan Point, inclosed in separate roll, states that "parties who own these six lots will convey the same to the United States at $125. per lot, and furnish an abstract showing good title, clear of liens."

The lots are each 25 feet by 100 feet in size making a total area of 15,000 feet. (25' x 100' x 6.)

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In this connection I would refer to my letter to the Board dated June 27, 1892, and the tracing accompanying the same showing Manhattan and Grassy Point and vicinity, from which the tracing sent with this letter has been copied.

The price asked is thought to be somewhat high for these particular lots; but as it is doubtful whether any others suitable for the site can be obtained, without more or less delay incident to legal processes for perfecting titles now in dispute, and as the sum involved is not large, I have the honor to recommend the acceptance of the proposition to sell the six lots mentioned for the total sum of $750. as most advantageous and economical to the United States, and that the U. S. District Attorney at Toledo, Ohio may be requested to render such legal services as may be necessary to examine the title and execute the deed of conveyance to the United States.

Very respectfully,

David A. Smith

Lieut.Col.Corps of Engineers, U.S.A.,

Engineer 10th L.H.District.