West Quoddy Head Light Station
South Lubec Maine April 21st 1899

J K Cogswell
Lieut Commander U S N
Inspector 1st Lt. Ho Dist Portland Maine

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 18th in regard to
white house not being as clean as it should be
when looking in coal at the time you inspected
and as to the tower I thought the weather was
too cold to paint brick and iron work
and in regard to the oil house being in the lantern
always did keep one there to store the lamps but
you told me you did not want it there I have
removed it to the work room
and as to part of the dwelling not being furnished
was December before it was plastered and I did
not have paint to paint with until you brought it
when you Inspected
I am here to do as you give me orders will

over

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try and have the Station more satisfactory
in the future

Respectfully
John M Caufield
Keeper

Robert T
Lincoln
1865