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File No. 58.

Four enclosures.

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHT-HOUSE SERVICE
Washington Aug. 24, 1903.

Maj. T. A. Bingham, U. S. A.,

Engineer 10th Light House District,

Buffalo, N. Y.

Sir:

Herewith is returned for correction and return to this office as soon as practicable the contract in quadruplicate with Mr. Charles A. Dennis, of Buffalo, N. Y., for building a pile and timber bulkhead along the harbor front of the light house reservation at the South Buffalo, N. Y., Light Station, which contract was forwarded to this office with your letter of 18 Aug., 1903.

The following discrepancies are noted for correction:—

(1) The specifications and plans are not attached As stated on page three of the contract.

(2) The surety company should furnish evidence of their authority from the Attorney General to do business under the act of 13 Aug., 1894.

(3) The surety company does not appear to have furnished a copy of the statement of assets and liabilities

required by Section 4 of the Act of 18 Aug., 1894. What is required is a copy of the statement which the company filed with the Department of Justice of the United States in the month of July, and not a copy of the company's statement filed with the Insurance Department of the State of New York on 1 June, 1903. If the same statement was filed in both cases there is nothing on the copy attached to the contract to evidence the fact.

Respectfully,

W. W. Harts

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