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LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

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OFFICE OF ENGINEER, 1ST AND 2D DISTRICTS
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The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

Sirs,

At the Whitlocks Mill, Maine, Light-Station the United States owns a piece of land ten feet square, with a right of way to it, and the light is a post lantern suspended from a pole. There is no building of any kind on the land. The light is a useful one and, in my opinion, should be increased in intensity from a post lantern to a lens lantern for which a suitable structure, fireproof from the outside, should be provided with arrangements for the storage of oil, for which there is now no provision. Similar Canadian lights on the opposite side of the Saint Croix River are much better provided for than the present light at Whitlocks Mill.

A suitable structure, nine and one half feet square, could be built on the land owned by the Government but would leave practically no room outside of it.

I beg to be informed, should the Board approve the suggested improvements at this station, if the appropriation for "Repairs of Light-Houses, 1907, " is available for the purchase of

land for such a purpose.

Respectfully yours,

Major, Corps of Engineers, U.S.A.,
Engineer 1st. L.H. District.