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SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
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MAY 6 - 1931
PORTLAND, MAINE.

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Mt Desert Light Station
(STATION, DEPOT, OR VESSEL)

May 6, 1931

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: On May 1st at 11:30 a.m. I left Mt Desert Light Station with family for a few days shore liberty. Stopping at Great Duck Island Light Station to pick up mail. The time being approximately 1:30 P.M.

When ready to leave there the engine would not start and I did not have time to anchor as I was getting close to the breakers, and I had a woman and two children to look after.

The crew of workmen and all keepers of Great Duck Island did all they could to help save the boat and also in taking women and children ashore.

The tide and wind were such that the boat drifted into the breakers and ashore so quickly that nothing

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,

Portland, Maine.

Sir: could be done until high water the next day, it being ebb tide, except to haul her up as far as possible.

The next morning the sea and weather seemed quite favorable for launching the boat at high water

But on the flood tide the sea rose up and the wind freshened up making a launching impossible, although several attempts were made, as the sea and wind increased the boat began to break up. There was nothing to do but to salvage the equipment which we did.

Geo. W. York
Keeper.