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Burns, Andrew	4563213
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INFORMATION NEEDED TO LOCATE RECORDS (Furnish as much as possible)

Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Beney (Bene), Louis		1851 LA

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service:
- ☐ Air Force
- ☐ Army Air Corps
- ☐ Army Air Force
- ☐ Army
- ☐ Marine Corps
- ☐ Navy
- ☐ Coast Guard
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Rank:
- ☐ Enlisted
- ☐ Officer
- ☐ Unknown

Service Period (Check all that apply):
- ☐ 1939 & Prior
- ☐ 1940 - 1950
- ☐ 1950 & After

Date & Place of Death: 1919 LA

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

Other Identifying Information (Parent's Names, CSC Number, etc.)

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (LA)		
From: 1906	To: 1919	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	

Other Identifying Information (Maiden Name, Job Title, etc.)

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Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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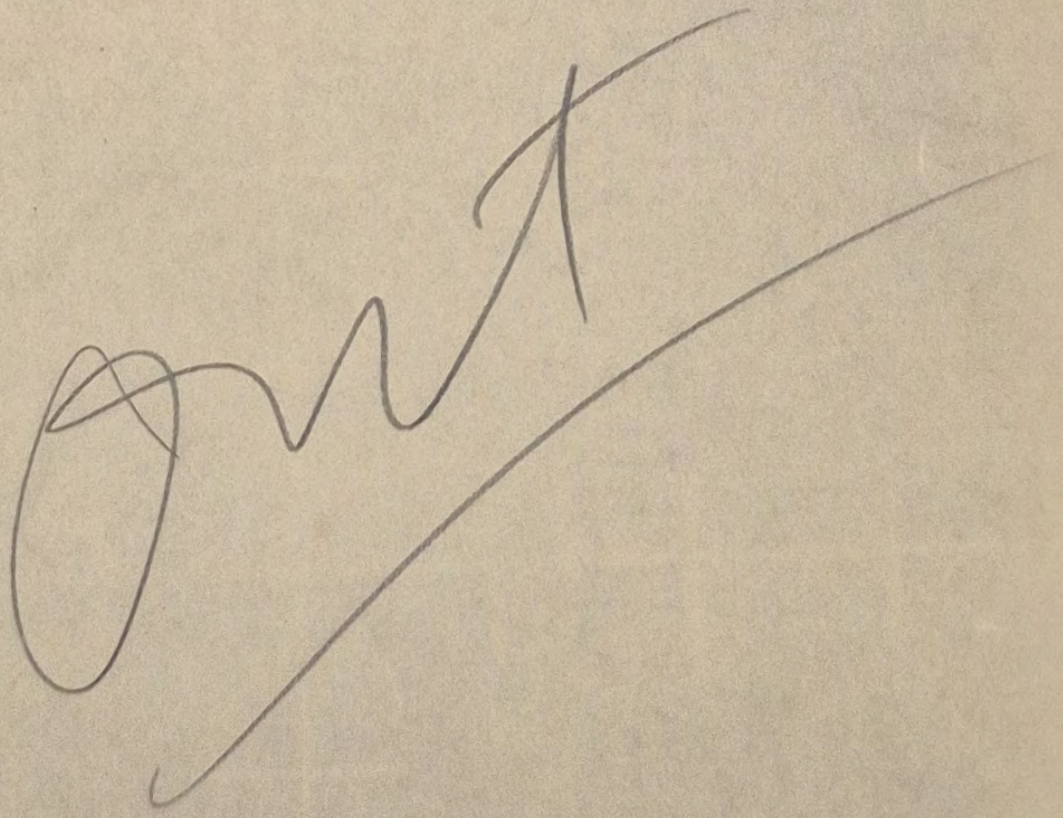
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BENEY, ~~LEWIS~~.



Louis Beney

Form 73 **ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE**

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JUN 28 1912

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., June 25, 1912

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Change in Appointment.

Name, Louie Boney Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service Salary, $780 per annum, Appropriation, "Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1913".

Location, Ship Shoal Light Station, La.

Effective August 1, 1912, or as ~~soon thereafter as the actual date of entrance on duty~~ he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper Former salary, $65 p.m.

Location, Ship Shoal Light Station, La.

Rank in list of eligibles, ---------- Rating, ---------- Percentage, ----------

Other eligibles considered, ----------

Letters of declination inclosed, ----------

Previous incumbent, ---------- Services terminated, ----------

Reason, ----------

Remarks:

Appointment to read "In the Lighthouse Service", and monthly pay changed to annual.

In the absence and by direction of Inspector:

Conway
Chief Clerk.

Department of Commerce and Labor
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUL 1 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved.

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G T E Putnam

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

July 10, 1912.

Mr. Louis Beney,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Seven Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By change from $65 per month.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) R. C. SHELSE

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

E O D
Sept 1, 1912.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

August 9, 1912.

Mr. Louis Beney,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Six Hundred and Twenty-four dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By transfer from keeper at $780 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice: Fred Shuman.
Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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Form 73

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ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT.

New Orleans, La., August 6 , 1912

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES AUG 8 1912 DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Transfer and appointment.

Name, Louis Boney Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service Salary, $624 per annum. Appropriation: "Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1913".

Location, Oyster Bayou Light Station, La.

Effective August 20, 1912, or as ~~of the actual date of entrance on duty~~ soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper Former salary, $780 per annum.

Location, Ship Shoal Light Station, La.

Rank in list of eligibles, ---------- Rating, ---------- Percentage, ----------

Other eligibles considered, ----------

Letters of declination inclosed, ----------

Previous incumbent, Fred Shuman Services terminated, Not yet determined.

Reason, Recommended for transfer to Cat Island Light Station, Miss.

Remarks:

Letter from Louis Boney requesting transfer, herewith inclosed.

Inspector.

Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

One inclosure

AUG 8 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved.

11—2314

Acting Commissioner.

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
Washington

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES
AUG 21 1911
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

August 17, 1911.

Filed under Beney
Cross-indexed under Forrestier.

Sir:

In compliance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 12th instant, the Department has authorized 30 days' sick leave to the keeper (Lewis Beney) of Ship Shoal Light Station, Louisiana, to date from the 10th ultimo, and the same leave to the keeper of Matagorda (Joseph Forrestier) Light Station, Texas, to date from the 9th ultimo.

In granting authority for these leaves, the Department has in mind its opinion of July 31, 1908, that two weeks should be the extreme limit of absence which may be granted a keeper or laborer without the necessity of a formal separation from the service, and its request of the same date that this ruling be not invoked except in actual emergency, and that the Bureau (Board) use every precaution to see that it is not abused.

The Department further approves the Bureau's recommendation that cases similar to the ones in question be considered on their individual merits.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Alford W. Cunningham
Acting Chief Clerk.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses.

8/21/11 copy sent to 8th Insp for his inf, guidance, & files.
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Department of Commerce and Labor
Bureau of Light-Houses
Washington
AUG 21 1911
Respectfully referred to the Inspector of the 8th Light-House District for his information, guidance, and the files of his office.
Acting Commissioner.

Office of Inspector, 8th Lighthouse Dist.

New Orleans, La., May 12, 1913.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

To Keepers of Lighthouses, 8th District.

In accordance with the instructions on pages 163 and 164 of the Regulations, you are informed that the following named Keepers of Light Stations in the 8th District have been commended for general efficiency and neatness of the station and personnel under their charge, during the quarter ended March 31, 1913.

Louis Beney, Keeper, Oyster Bayou L.S., La.

(Signed) B. B. DORRY

Inspector, 8th Lighthouse Dist.

Forwarded to the Bureau for its information.

B. B. Dorry

Inspector, 8th Lighthouse District.

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 9 1909
NO.

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT

(Read the instructions on the reverse side of this Form before attempting to fill it out.)

1. Bureau Light-House Establishment. 2. Where employed Ship Shoal Light-Station, La.
3. Name Louis Beney. 4. Where born Louisiana.
5. Age ~~46~~ 47 6. Position 1st Asst. Keeper.
7. Compensation $45 pm. 8. When appointed (*a*) March 10, 1906.
9. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil-Service Examination.
10. Appointed from: State Louisiana. Congressional District Third. County St. Mary.
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified Competitive.
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.
13. Other Government service None.
14. Duties (describe fully) Assists in exhibition of 2d-order light, operation of bell fog-signal, and care of dwelling and government property. Station is extremely isolated, 62 miles from Morgan City, La., and is reached by keepers in station sailboat.
15. Efficiency: Quantity of work (*d*) 10/10; Quality of work (*e*) Excellent.; Interest manifested in work (*f*) Excellent.
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes.
17. Remarks (*g*) Has complimentary letter from Board for assistance rendered to seamen in distress.

S. W. Mintzie Comdr., U.S.N., Retd.,
Inspector, 8th L.-H. District. *Head of Bureau or Office.*

June 7, 1909.

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

L-J.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

New Orleans, La.
May 12, 1911.

(The parenthetical letters refer to instructions on page 3, which instructions should be read and understood before attempting to fill out the form.)

1. Name Louis Beney. 2. Age 50 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau of Lighthouses. 4. Position Keeper.

5. Compensation $780 p.a. 6. Where employed Ship Shoal Lighthouse, La.

7. When appointed (*a*) Mar.10,1906. 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civ.Ser.Exam.

9. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified competitive.

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.

11. Does the employee receive a pension? No. If so, state the amount

12. Other Government service None.

13. Duties (describe fully) Exhibits 2d-order light; cares for dwelling and Government property; operates bell fog signal; renders necessary reports and returns. Station is extremely isolated, 62 miles from Morgan City, La., and is reached by boat.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? No. If so, state them

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.	
Quantity of work	100	2	200	
Quality of work	100	3	300	
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	100	3	300	
Attendance		2		
Total		8 ~~10~~	800	
Average percentage			100	

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16. In the following form state the number of days of annual leave, sick leave, and leave without pay taken in each of the years 1908, 1909, and 1910:

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.

17. Is this employee a purely routine employee, or does he manifest interest, not only in his own work but also in the work of the office or bureau as a whole, to the extent of overtime work or voluntary efforts by suggestion or otherwise to add to its efficiency? (Answer fully.) Is careful to lookout for the interests of the Government.

18. On the basis of efficiency alone, is this employee overpaid or underpaid as compared with others in your office engaged on the same grade of work, or is his salary a fair equivalent for the service rendered? (Answer fully.) Underpaid. Should be changed from Class II to Class I. Ship Shoal Light-Station is extremely isolated and, with the exception of Sabine Bank, the most inaccessible in the District. If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be. $840 per annum.

19. Is this employee superannuated? No. If so, what percentage of salary is unearned?

20. Remarks: (e)

The official who is primarily responsible for the statements herein submitted will sign here—

Inspector.

The official who approves the statements thus submitted will sign here—

Chief of Bureau or Office.

Office of Inspr. 8th L.H.Dist.

Feb. 26, 1914.

DISTRICT CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 22.

To Keepers of Lighthouses, 8th District.

In accordance with the instructions on pages 163 and 164 of the Regulations, you are informed that the following-named Keepers of Light Stations in the 8th District have been commended for general efficiency and neatness of the station and personnel under their charge, during the quarter ended December 31, 1913:

Frank Stephenson,	Keeper,	Aransas Pass L.S., Tex.
Ralph Gordon,	"	Head of Passes, etc., L.S., La.
Louis Beney,	"	Oyster Bayou, L.S., La.
Wm. B. Thompson,	"	Sabine Pass L.S., La.
John Mc Namara,	"	Ship Shoal L.S., La.
Leonard F. Edgecombe	"	South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.
Alfred Rodi	"	South Pass East Jetty L.S., etd, La.
John B. Mason	"	Southwest Pass L.S., La.
Edward L.Rollingson	"	Southwest Reef L.S., La.

(Signed) B. B. DORRY

Inspector, 8th Lighthouse District

Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

LIGHT HOUSES DEC 23 1915

New Orleans, La., December 21, 1915.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Increase in compensation.

Name, Louis Beney. Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $648 per annum.

Location, Oyster Bayou Light Station, Louisiana. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1916.

Effective January 1, 1916, [1] the ~~actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper. Former salary, $624 per annum.

Location, Oyster Bayou Light Station, Louisiana.

Rank on eligible list, - - - Rating, - - - Percentage, - - -, Other eligibles considered:

- - - -

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 28, 1915.

Mr. Louis Beney,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

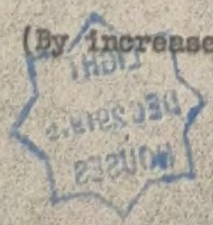
You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, ~~Keeper~~

in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~

at a salary of ~~Six Hundred and Forty-eight~~ dollars per ~~annum~~,

effective January 1, 1916.

(By increase in compensation from $624 per annum.)



508 June 1, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

R

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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Louis Beney

Louis Beney

INACTIVE

STATE FROM WHICH APPOINTED
La.

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	OFFICE, BUREAU, OR DIVISION	DATE APPOINTED
Asst. Keeper, Ship Shoal L. Sta, La. (Prob.)	$500	Light House	Mar. 10, 1906.
" " " " " "	$525	"	May 19, 1906.
" " " " " "	$45. mo.	L. H.	July 1. 1908.
Keeper. " " "	$65. mo	"	October 1, 1909
" " " "	$780.	"	Sept 1, 1912.
" Oyster Bayou " "	$624.	"	Sept. 25, 1912.
" " " " "	648	"	Jan 1. 1916
" Emeraces "	840	"	Nov 1918
	Died Sept 30. 1919		
	INACTIVE		

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

Washington

File No. 9233.

20 March, 1906.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:-

The Board has the honor to ask the probationary appointment of Mr. Louis Beney, of Louisiana, as Second Assistant Keeper at Ship Shoal, La., Light-Station, with pay at the rate of $500 a year, to date from 10 March, '06, the date of his entrance on duty, in the place of Mr. Wm. L. Gray, temporary appointee.

Mr. Beney has passed the required Civil Service examination and received a rating of 93 per cent in Class Four.

Respectfully,

H Sebree

Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

1st on eligible list.

Considered with:

~~Jensen Nils E~~

Ronquillo, John B

W. F. Hawes,

Supr.

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PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT—PRIOR DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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March 21, 1906.

Mr. Louis Beney, of Louisiana, having qualified under the civil-service regulations, is hereby appointed Second Assistant Keeper of the Ship Shoal Light-Station, Louisiana, in the Light-House Service, with compensation at the rate of Five Hundred dollars per annum, for a probationary period of six months, effective beginning March 10, 1906, he having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served in the above-mentioned position. (vice Wm. L. Gray.)

Retention in the service after the expiration of probationary period shall be equivalent to absolute appointment.

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken

CARDED.

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MAR 23 1906
TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Lawrence O. Murray
Assistant Secretary.

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The Light-House Board.

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CHANGE REPORTED
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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, Louis Berry

do solemnly[a] swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: **So help me God.**

Louis Berry

[b] Sworn and subscribed before me, this 7th day of May, A. D. 1906

[c] Name: Chas A Bilbins

Official title: Notary Public

{Affix official seal.}

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date March 19, 1906.
B Johnson
Chief Clerk.
B.W.S.

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
1st Asst Keeper	Ship Shoal L.H.S.	Louisiana	Louisiana.

[a] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.
[c] This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*

In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the promotion of Mr. Louis Beney from the position of Second Assistant Keeper of Ship Shoal, La., Light-Station, with pay at the rate of $500 a year, to that of First Assistant Keeper of the same station, with pay at the rate of $525 a year, to date from 19 May, '06, the date of his entrance upon duty, in the place of Mr. William L. Gray, resigned. Apr 21/06

The Board begs to state for the information of the Department, that it is informed by the Inspector of the Eighth Light-House District, that Mr. Beney has not yet come ashore from the light-station since the date of his entrance on duty 10 March, '06, but it is expected that he will do so in the near future and every effort will be made to have him subscribe to the oath under his probationary appointment, at as early a date as possible.

The Inspector further states that Ship Shoal, La., Light-Station, is situated in an extremely isolated position in the Gulf of Mexico, and forty or fifty miles from the post office.

Respectfully,

U Sebree

Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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MAY 28 1906
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

KEYED.

GENERAL APPOINTMENT-PRIOR DATE.

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

9233

May 28, 1906.

Mr. Louis Seney, of Louisiana, is hereby appointed First Assistant Keeper of the Ship Shoal Light-Station, Louisiana, in the Light-House Service, at a salary of Five Hundred and Twenty-five dollars per annum, this appointment to be effective beginning May 19, 1906, he having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served in the above-mentioned position, vice William L. Gray.

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken.

(By promotion from Second Assistant Keeper of the Ship Shoal Light-Station, Louisiana, at $500 per annum.)

CARDED.

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MAY 29 1906
TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Assistant Secretary.

Date of oath: , 190

The Light-House Board.

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MAY -- 1906
C. S. COMMISSION.

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OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, ~~_____~~ Louis Bieny ~~_____~~

do solemnly[a] I swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: **So help me God.**

Louis. Bieny.

[b] Sworn and subscribed before me,
this 7th day of June, A. D. 1906

[c] Name: Chas A Bilbrew

Official title: Notary Public

{Affix official seal.}

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
1st Asst Keeper	Ship Shoal, La.	Louisiana.	Louisiana.

[a] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.
[c] This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*

In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

Light House Board,
~~entered upon duty.~~

Date May 9 1906.

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CARDED.

E. T. Johnson
Chief Clerk.

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PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

NOTE.—This sheet is to be used only in cases of persons appointed in the Department of Commerce and Labor after June 30, 1903.

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

May 10, 1904.

To the Heads of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce and Labor:

For the purpose of enabling the Department to obtain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are hereby requested to furnish the information called for by the questions in Part II of this form, relative to each person appointed or employed in your Bureau after June 30, 1903, now serving or hereafter appointed or employed, and to have every such person answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. Officers in charge, subordinate to heads of Bureaus, are expected to review this sheet, after it has been executed, to see that all questions have been answered, and, after doing so, to forward it immediately to the head of the Bureau for transmission to the Department.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED JUN 6 1906 FILE ROOM DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Geo. B. Cortelyou

Secretary.

CARDED

PART I.

(Blanks in Part I are to be filled by the appointee or employee; but, if he is unable to write legibly, another person may write the answers at his dictation. In either case, the statement is to be signed by the appointee or employee. If he is unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness. If he is unable to answer any question, he should indicate that fact.)

1. What is your full name? (Do not use initials, but spell out each name and state whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs. Example: Mr. John Richard Doe.)

Mr Louis Remy

2. How do you write your name on the pay roll? Louis Remy

3. What is your present legal (voting) residence? (Give city or town, State or Territory, county and Congressional district.)

Morgan City	Louisiana	St Mary	Third
City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.

4. What is your race? (Answer "white," "colored," or "Mongolian.") White

5. Where were you born? New Orleans Louisiana

6. When were you born? ~~Feb~~ June 10th 1861

Month. Day. Year.

7. Are you pensioned by the U. S. Government? (Answer "Yes" or "No.") No

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8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below their names, relationship, the Departments and Bureaus or Services in which they are employed and the positions they occupy.)

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
None that I Know off				

9. If you were appointed through a civil service examination, state, as near as you recollect, the name and date of the examination. If not so appointed, state how you entered the service. (Examples: "Appointed before position was classified;" "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position and salary, if known.)

Probationary March 10 1906

10. Have you any physical disabilities? (If so, describe briefly. If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

Have to use Glasses when I Read

11. Have you ever held any position in the civil service of the United States prior to the time of your present appointment? (If so, give below the Department and Bureau or Service in which you served, the position held, the salary you received, and the dates of your appointment and separation from the service.)

No

12. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil or Spanish-American War? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
	No		

13. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time other than during the Civil and Spanish-American Wars, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
	No		

14. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service for the Government, indicated in your answers to questions 11, 12, and 13.)

in the Fishing Business and Captan owner of Small Vessels on the Gulf Coast

15. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

Practically None Self Taught

16. What special qualifications have you—professional, technical, mechanical, etc.? (Examples: Qualified as "Lawyer," or "Civil Engineer," or "Draftsman," or "Carpenter.")

Sailor

17. What, if any, civil service examinations have you passed? (Give names and dates as nearly as you recollect.)

None the Present one being the First.
(Asst Light House Keeper March 1. 1906.)

18. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.)

Yes

19. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled May 28th, 1906

Witness:

In case signature is by mark.

(Signature) Louis Berry

P. O. Address: Morgan City
City or town.

Number and street.

Louisiana
State or Territory.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded May 31. 1906.

(Signature) Jacques H Leeds

(Official title) Dist. Insp., Inspector 8th L. H. Dist. G.W.V.

PART II.

(Blanks in Part II are to be filled by the executive officers of the various Bureaus of the Department, or, at their direction, by some official who can give the information desired. If unable to answer any question, indicate that fact.)

1. State the Bureau or Service, place and district in which the person who answered the above questions is employed.

Light House. Ship Shoal La. Louisiana Eighth
Bureau or Service. Place (city, town, or station). District.

2. To what position has he been appointed? Second Asst Keeper Ship Shoal Light House, La.

3. State the date of appointment. 21 March 1906.

4. State the date the appointee or employee entered on duty. March 10. 1906.

5. What is his salary? $720.00 per Annum.

6. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries of Keeper & Light Houses.

7. Is the position excepted, competitive, or unclassified under the civil service rules? Competitive

8. If classified, state the date of classification. May 6. 1896.

9. In what manner did the appointee or employee enter the service? (Examples: "Appointed before position was classified;" or "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau, or Service, position and salary, if known.)

By Examination. Form No. 1025. Assistant Light House Keeper.

10. Is the appointee or employee required to give bond? No.

(Signature) Jacques H Leeds

Date: May 31. 1906. (Official title) Dist. Insp., Inspector 8th L. H. Dist. G.W.V.

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

9233

Office of the Inspector, 8th L. H. Dist.,
New Orleans, La.,

The Light-House Board,
Washington, D. C.

August 10, 1908.
(Date)

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED SEP - 3 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) increase in pay
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) Louis Beney (Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) of (3) Louisiana (State of legal residence)
from (4) First Assistant Keeper (Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (5) Ship Shoal Light-Station, La., (Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
at (6) $525 a year (Salary now paid) to (7) First Assistant Keeper (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) Ship Shoal Light-Station, La., (Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.) at
(9) $45 a month (Salary recommended), effective beginning (10) July 1, 1908, (the date
of his entrance on duty) (~~as soon thereafter as he enters on duty~~)
(Strike out the clause not appropriate)
in the place of (11) ----- (State name of *last* person holding position)
who (12) (increase in pay) (Died, transferred, resigned, dismissed, etc.) on (13) ..... (Last day of service)
Mr. (14) ..... stands No. (15) ..... in list of eligibles,
Class (16) ....., with an average of (17) ..... per cent, and
was considered with (18) .....

This increase is recommended in accordance with the report of the Committee on Equalization of Pay, approved June 25, 1908.

(19) letters of declination of ..... herewith.

Respectfully,

J. L. Purcell Comdr., U.S.N.,
Inspector 8th L.H.District.

Aet'd 9-4-08 Eff. 10/10 Enc

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

September 3, 1908.

Approved, and respectfully forwarded to the Honorable the Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

J. N. Kellum
Captain, U. S. N.
Naval Secretary

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED SEP 4 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS APPOINTMENT WRITTEN SEP 5 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED SEP 3 1908 TO APPOINTMENTS DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT--PRIOR DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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September 5, 1908.

Mr. Louis Bomay, of Louisiana, is hereby appointed First Assistant Keeper of Ship Shoal Light-Station, Louisiana, in the Light-House Service, at a salary of Forty-five dollars per month, this appointment to be effective beginning July 1, 1908, he having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served in the above-mentioned position. (Mr. Bomay succeeds himself.)

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken.

(By promotion from First Assistant Keeper of Ship Shoal Light-Station, Michigan, at $820 per annum.)

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TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Secretary.

Date of oath: 180

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The Light-House Board.

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Enclosure 1

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD.
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OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

No. 9233

I, Louis Beney,

do solemnly[a] swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So HELP ME GOD.

Louis Beney.

[b] Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25 day of September, A. D. 1908

(Affix official seal here.)

[c](Name:) Chas A Bibbins

(Official title:) Notary Public

OFFICIAL TITLE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
First Asst. Keeper.	Ship Shoal, La.	Louisiana.	Louisiana.

$45 mo

OFFICE OF THE Inspector, 8th LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (Address.), September 26, 1908. (Date.)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on July 1, 1908. (Date.)

(Signed:) J. R. Purcell
Commander, U. S. N.,
Inspector 8th L. H. District.

[a] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.

[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.

[c] This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

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NOTE CAREFULLY.

The oath may be executed at any time subsequent to the actual issuance of the appointment certificate, but no compensation should be paid until the oath is executed in proper form. Whenever possible the oath should be executed upon the date of actual entrance upon duty.

A letter of transmittal (use Form 95) should accompany Oath, stating the **exact** date of the entrance on duty of the appointee and the above blank also filled out and properly signed by the district officer.

Failure to fill out this Oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED AUG 25 1909 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of the Inspector, 8th L. H. Dist.,

The Light-House Board, New Orleans, La.,

Washington, D. C. August 17th, 1909.
(Date)

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED AUG 25 1909 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR.

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) promotion
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) Louis Beney of (3) Louisiana
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)
from (4) First Assistant Keeper
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (5) Ship Shoal Light-Station, La.,
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
at (6) $ 45 a month to (7) Keeper
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) Ship Shoal Light-Station, La., at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
(9) $ 65 a month, effective beginning (10) Sept. 1, 1909, (~~from date of his entrance on duty~~)
(Salary recommended) (Strike out the clause not appropriate)
(or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty)
in the place of (11) Mr. Edward L. Rollingson
(State name of *last* person holding position) Aug 11 09 m&D
who (12) has been transferred on (13) Aug. 10, 1909,
(Died, transferred, resigned, dismissed, etc.) (Last day of service)
Mr. (14) ..... stands No. (15) ..... in list of eligibles,
Class (16) ....., with an average of (17) ..... per cent, and
was considered with (18) .....
(19) letters of declination of ..... herewith.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS APPOINTMENT WRITTEN AUG 26 1909 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Respectfully,

Eff 10/10 E. O. C. Comdr. U.S.N., Rtd.,
Inspector 8th L. H. District.

Aff 8-26-09

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED AUG 25 1909 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

August 24, 1909.

Approved, and respectfully forwarded to the Honorable the Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

H. T. Mayo
Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

NOTE.—This form should be sent to the Light-House Board in duplicate. Letters of declination, if any, should be sent with this letter.

This letter is returned for correction of items Nos. .....

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August 26, 1909.

Mr. Louis Benoy Louisiana

Keeper of Ship Shoal Light-Station, Louisiana

Light-House Service

Sixty-five

month

September 1, 1909

(vice Edward L. Rollinguon)

(By promotion from First Assistant Keeper at $45.00 per month.)

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LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
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OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, Louis Beney,

do solemnly[a] swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: SO HELP ME GOD.

Louis Beney.

[b] Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15 day of Nov, A. D. 1909

(Affix official seal here.)

[c](Name:) Chas A Bilbrun

(Official title:) Notary Public

OFFICIAL TITLE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Keeper $65 a month.	Ship Shoal Light-Station, La.	Louisiana.	Louisiana.

OFFICE OF THE Inspector, 8th LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., (Address.) November 17, 1909. (Date.)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on October 1, 1909. (Date.)

(Signed:) W. M. Whitsel,

Commander, U. S. N., Retd.,
Inspector, 8th L.-H. District.

[a] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.

[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.

[c] This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

NOTE CAREFULLY.

The oath may be executed at any time subsequent to the actual issuance of the appointment certificate, but no compensation should be paid until the oath is executed in proper form. Whenever possible the oath should be executed upon the date of actual entrance upon duty.

A letter of transmittal (use Form 95) should accompany Oath, stating the **exact** date of the entrance on duty of the appointee and the above blank also filled out and properly signed by the district officer.

Failure to fill out this Oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD
Washington

November 4, 1909.

Louis Beney,
oath.

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The Honorable

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

Referring to Department letter of August 26, 1909, appointing Louis Beney Keeper of Ship Shoal Light-Station, La., effective September 1, 1909, the Board has the honor to state that under date of the 1st instant, the Inspector of the Eighth Light-House District states, as the reason for not securing the necessary oath of office from Mr. Beney, that this keeper "has not been ashore from that station since his appointment as keeper was received. The oath will be secured and forwarded to the Board immediately upon the arrival of Mr. Beney on shore."

Respectfully,

W O Saperton

Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 9 1909
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Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT

(Read the instructions on the reverse side of this Form before attempting to fill it out.)

1. Bureau Light-House Establishment. 2. Where employed Ship Shoal Light-Station, La.
3. Name Louis Beney. 4. Where born Louisiana.
5. Age 47 6. Position 1st Asst. Keeper.
7. Compensation $45 pm. 8. When appointed (a) March 10, 1906.
9. How appointed (b) Through Civil-Service Examination.
10. Appointed from — State Louisiana. Congressional District Third. County St. Mary.
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (c) Classified Competitive.
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.
13. Other Government service None.
14. Duties (describe fully) Assists in exhibition of 2d-order light, operation of bell fog-signal, and care of dwelling and government property. Station is extremely isolated, 62 miles from Morgan City, La., and is reached by keepers in station sailboat.
15. Efficiency — Quantity of work (d) 10/10; Quality of work (e) Excellent.; Interest manifested in work (f) Excellent.
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes.
17. Remarks (g) Has complimentary letter from Board for assistance rendered to seamen in distress.

O. R.

CAPTAIN, U. S. N.,
NAVAL SECRETARY

N. M. Witzel Comdr., U.S.N., Retd.,
Inspector, 8th L.-H. District, *Head of Bureau or Office.*

June 7, 1909.

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INDORSEMENT SLIP

Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

Washington

H B AUGUST 12, 1911.

First indorsement.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION
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DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR.

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor with the recommendation that the Inspector of the Eighth Lighthouse District be authorized to grant these two employees thirty days' sick leave, with pay.

It is further recommended that cases of this kind be considered on their individual merits.

G. R. Putnam

Commissioner.

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APPOINTMENTS
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

WROTE BUREAU
AUG 17 1911

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
"LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR, EIGHTH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA."

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES
AUG 12 1911
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR.

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

August 5, 1911.

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DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR.

Sick leave.
Keepers and Assistants.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

1. Since the Bureau's decision in the case of Mrs. Sarah J. Fine, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Florida, that any leave of absende in excess of 2 weeks in one quarter, must be without pay, this office has endeavored to enforce the rule.

2. At the present time there are 2 keepers in the District who have been on sick leave since July 9th and 10th, 1911, respectively, and have furnished doctor's certificate in each case. Louis Benoy. The Keeper of Ship Shoal Light Station was removed from the Station by the Tender "Arbutus" on July 10th, suffering with a severe case of Herpes (Shingles). He is expected to return to his Station in a day or two.

Joseph Forrester The Keeper of Matagorda Light Station has been absent from the Station since July 9th, suffering from a large abcess on his back.

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3. There was no necessity for a substitute in the place of the Keeper at Ship Shoal, as the work at the Station has been performed by the Assistant Keepers. The Keeper of Matagorda Light Station states that a good man is in his place

as a substitute, paid by him, the Keeper.

4. It is respectfully requested that sick leave be granted these Keepers, without recourse to separation from the service and that this be permitted in other similar cases throughout the District.

Very respectfully,

C P Eaton

Commander, U.S.N., Retd.,

Inspector, 8th Lighthouse Dist.

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August 17, 1911.

Sir:

In compliance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 12th instant, the Department has authorized 30 days' sick leave to the keeper of Ship Shoal Light Station, Louisiana, to date from the 10th ultimo, and the same leave to the keeper of Matagorda Light Station, Texas, to date from the 9th ultimo.

In granting authority for these leaves, the Department has in mind its opinion of July 31, 1908, that two weeks should be the extreme limit of absence which may be granted a keeper or laborer without the necessity of a formal separation from the service, and its request of the same date that this ruling be not invoked except in actual emergency, and that the Bureau should use every precaution to see that it is not abused.

The Department further approves the Bureau's recommendation that cases similar to the ones in question be considered on their individual merits.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Alford Cumming
Acting Chief Clerk.

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The Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

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New Orleans, La.
May 12, 1911.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

(The parenthetical letters refer to instructions on page 3, which instructions should be read and understood before attempting to fill out the form.)

1. Name Louis Beney. 2. Age 50 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau of Lighthouses. 4. Position Keeper.

5. Compensation $780 p.a. 6. Where employed Ship Shoal Lighthouse, La.

7. When appointed (*a*) Mar. 10, 1906. 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civ. Ser. Exam.

9. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified competitive.

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.

11. Does the employee receive a pension? No. If so, state the amount

12. Other Government service None.

13. Duties (describe fully) Exhibits 2d-order light; cares for dwelling and Government property; operates bell fog signal; renders necessary reports and returns. Station is extremely isolated, 62 miles from Morgan City, La., and is reached by boat.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? No. If so, state them

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.
Quantity of work	100	2	200
Quality of work	100	3	300
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	100	3	300
Attendance		2	
Total		8 10	800
Average percentage			100

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16. In the following form state the number of days of annual leave, sick leave, and leave without pay taken in each of the years 1908, 1909, and 1910:

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.

17. Is this employee a purely routine employee, or does he manifest interest, not only in his own work but also in the work of the office or bureau as a whole, to the extent of overtime work or voluntary efforts by suggestion or otherwise to add to its efficiency? (Answer fully.) Is careful to lookout for the interests of the Government.

18. On the basis of efficiency alone, is this employee overpaid or underpaid as compared with others in your office engaged on the same grade of work, or is his salary a fair equivalent for the service rendered? (Answer fully.) Underpaid. Should be changed from Class II to Class I. Ship Shoal Light-Station is extremely isolated, and, with the exception of Sabine Bank, the most inaccessible in the District. If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be. $840 per annum.

19. Is this employee superannuated? No. If so, what percentage of salary is unearned?

20. Remarks: (*e*)

The official who is primarily responsible for the statements herein submitted will sign here—

A. Thompson

Inspector.

The official who approves the statements thus submitted will sign here—

G. R. Putnam

Chief of Bureau or Office.

T. S. C.

Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

JUN 28 1912

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT.

New Orleans, La., June 25 , 1912

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Change in Appointment.

Name, Louis Beney Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service Salary, $780 per annum, Appropriation, "Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1913".

Location, Ship Shoal Light Station, La.

Effective August 1, 1912, or as ~~on the actual date of entrance on duty~~ soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper Former salary, $65 p.m.

Location, Ship Shoal Light Station, La.

Rank in list of eligibles, ----------Rating,----------Percentage,----------

Other eligibles considered, ----------

Letters of declination inclosed, ----------

Previous incumbent, ----------Services terminated,----------

Reason, ----------

Remarks:

Appointment to read "In the Lighthouse Service", and monthly pay changed to annual.

In the absence and by direction of Inspector:

Conway

Chief Clerk.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

JUL 1 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION
APPOINTMENT WRITTEN
JUL 10 1912
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

G T Putnam

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

July 10, 1912.

Mr. Louis Beney,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Seven Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By change from $[illegible] per month.)

Not to be reported to C. S. C.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION. REPORTED JUL 11 1912 TO DISBURSING CLERK DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) R. C. SHELSE

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Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

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Per

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., August 6 . 1912

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Transfer and appointment.

Name, Louis Beney 100%- Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service Salary, $624 per annum, Appropriation: "Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1913".

Location, Oyster Bayou Light Station, La.

Effective August 20, 1912, or as on the actual date of entrance on duty soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper Former salary, $780 per annum.

Location, Ship Shoal Light Station, La.

Rank in list of eligibles, ---------- Rating, ---------- Percentage, ---------

Other eligibles considered, ----------

Letters of declination inclosed, ----------

Previous incumbent, Fred Shuman Services terminated, Not yet determined.

Reason, Recommended for transfer to Cat Island Light Station, Miss.

Remarks: Done 9/12 Letter from Louis Beney requesting transfer, herewith inclosed.

8/9/12 mlp

Sorry

Inspector.

Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

One inclosure AUG 8 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved.

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Acting Commissioner

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES AUG 8 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED AUG 9-1912 COMMERCE AND LABOR

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED AUG 9-1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION APPOINTMENT WRITTEN AUG-9 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR,
EIGHTH DISTRICT,
AUG 5 1912
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES
AUG 8 1912
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Ship Shoal Light Station
July 20th 1912

Light House Inspector

Sir

Refering to your letter of June 20th tendering transfer to Crooked River Fla. I respectfully decline the transfer. as I do not like the location. but Sir. Should there in the near future be a Vacancy at any of the following places as Keeper. would be pleased to accept transfer. Vice Barataria Bay. Pimbalier. Oyster Bayou. Calcasieu. (Barataria prefered) or any other one Man Station like Situated

Very Respectfully

Louis Beney. Keeper
Ship Shoal
Light Station
Louisiana

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

August 9, 1912.

Mr. Louis Beney,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Six Hundred and Twenty-four dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By transfer from keeper at $780 per annum.)

CARDED.

CHANGE REPORTED
SEP -- 1912
C. S. COMMISSION.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

FD

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice: Fred Shuman.
Legal Residence: Louisiana.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION.
REPORTED
AUG 9 1912
TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

11—3602

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES SEP 7 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

OFFICE OF DISBURSING CLERK RECEIVED SEP 10 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Carded in the Disbursing Office.

I, Louis Beney

do solemnly[1] Swear (See below) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

Louis Beney
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 3rd day of Sept, A. D. 191[illegible]

(Affix official seal here)

[4](Name) Chas A Bibbins

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Keeper in the Lighthouse Service	$780 p. a.	Ship Shoal Light Station, La.

Change in appointment from Keeper of Ship Shoal Light Station, La., at $65.00 (The above should be filled in by the district officer before sending to appointee) per month

OFFICE OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED SEP 11 1912 U.S. DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 8th District

New Orleans, La., September 4, 1912.
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on September 1,1912.
(Date)

CARDED.

B B Dorry
(Signature, followed by title)

Inspector, 8th Lighthouse District.

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.

[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.

[3] The oath may be taken any time after the date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

11—944

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Form 111

LIGHT-HOUSES RECEIVED OCT 2 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Carded in the Disbursing Office.

OFFICE OF DISBURSING CLERK RECEIVED OCT 4 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

I, Louis Beney

do solemnly[1] swear (See below) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So HELP ME GOD.

Louis Beney
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 3rd day of Sept., A. D. 1912

(Affix official seal here)

[4](Name) Chas A Robbins

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Keeper in the Lighthouse Service (By transfer from Keeper,	$624 p.a.	Oyster Bayou Light Station, La. Ship Shoal Light Station, La., at $780 per annum)

(The above should be filled in by the district officer before sending to appointee)

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CARDED.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 8th DISTRICT

New Orleans, La., September 30, 1912.
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on September 25, 1912.
(Date)

DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVED OCT 7 1912 G DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

B B Dorry
(Signature, followed by title)

Inspector, 8th Lighthouse District.

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Form 73
TJC-MCC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT.

LIGHT HOUSES DEC 23 1915

New Orleans, La., December 21, 1915.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

CHIEF CLERK DEC 27 1915

Action recommended, Increase in compensation.

Name, Louis Beney. Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $648 per annum.

Location, Oyster Bayou Light Station, Louisiana. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1916.

Effective January 1, 1916, {[1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

DEC 28 1915

APPOINTMENTS DEC 27 1915

Former position, Keeper. Former salary, $624 per annum.

Location, Oyster Bayou Light Station, Louisiana.

Rank on eligible list, - - - Rating, - - - Percentage, - - -, Other eligibles considered; 12

- - - -

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 28, 1915.

Mr. Louis Boney,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, ~~Keeper~~ in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~ at a salary of ~~Six Hundred and Forty-eight~~ dollars per ~~annum~~, effective January 1, 1916.

(By increase in compensation from $624 per annum.)

CARDED.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 28 1915 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

OFFICE REPORTED JAN 1916 C. & COMMISSION.

11—1393

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Lighthouse Inspector
JAN 12 1916
New Orleans.

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JAN 18 1916
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JAN 14 1916
HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK
JAN 18 1916

I, Louis Beney.

do solemnly[1] swear (See below) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

Louis Beney.
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] Eleventh day of January (Affix official seal here), A. D. 1916.

[4](Name) Walter T. Gilmore

(Official title) Notary Public.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present: Keeper in the Light-house Service	$648 p.a.	Oyster Bayou Light Station, Louisiana.
Former[5]: Increase in compensation from $624 per annum.		

(The above should be filled in by the district officer before sending to appointee)

TJC-MCC

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, Eighth District

New Orleans, La., January 12, 1916.
(Address) (Date)

CARDED

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on January 1, 1916.
(Date)

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

Laughier.
(Signature, followed by title) Superintendent.

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[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.
Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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USE TYPEWRITER—SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY.
FORM 8.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS.
8—4789-2

LIGHT
DEC 26 1916
HOUSES

MAKE NO ENTRIES IN THIS COLUMN.

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE.

JULY 1, 1916.

1. Name: (Surname first. Given name in full. For women write Miss or Mrs. before given name.)

Beney, Louis

2. Department:

Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:

Lighthouse

4. Designation of position:

Keeper

5. Occupation (if not clearly shown by answer to question 4):

Care light and govt. property

6. Annual earnings:

$648

7. Kind of appropriation:

LS

8. Present rate of pay:

$ AS

9. Initial rate of pay:

$ 500 PA

10. Total length of service (give the total of ALL U. S. GOVT. SERVICE with the exceptions stated on the back of this card)—

Substitute— Years:	Substitute— Months:	Regular— Years:	Regular— Months:
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11. State, Territory, or foreign country of birth (do not give town):

Louisiana

12. Race:

W

13. Sex:

M

14. Date of birth—

Month: June

Year: 1861

15. Kinds of schools attended, years attended, and degrees taken:

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16. Marital condition:

W

17. War veteran?

No

18. Appointed from—

Congressional district and State: 3 La.

County: St. Mary

19. Civil service status:

C

20. Method by which classified status was obtained:

CE

21. Place of employment—

City: Morgan City

State: La.

DO NOT FOLD THIS CARD.

11—5869

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS -- LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON November 19, 1918.

Mr. Louis Beney,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 648 per annum to $ 840 per annum, effective November 1, 1918. (The above rate of pay includes longevity pay of $60.)

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings
Chief of Appointment Division.

OR BASIS OF THIS ACTION OF
DATED 11-15-18
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APPOINTMENT DIVISION
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NOTICE OF ~~RESIGNATION OR~~ DEATH

LIGHT HOUSES OCT 4 1919 CHIEF CLERK

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th DISTRICT,
OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~

New Orleans, La., October 1, 1919.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is notice of the death ~~transmitted the resignation~~ of the following-named employee:

1919 OCT 7 AM 9 18

Name, Louis Beney — Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Legal residence, Louisiana — Station, Oyster Bayou Light Station, La.

Salary, $840.00 per annum.

Date of death: ~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~ September 30, 1919.

This employee has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

Remarks:

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 8 1919 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

FIRST ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON OCT 6 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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1919 OCT 6 PM 4 16

C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

Acting Commissioner

Form 1204

CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
Day Message	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

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WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

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Day Letter	Blue
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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES SEP 30 1919 NEW ORLEANS

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L J BENE KEEPER OYSTER---BAYOU LIGHT DIED HERE THIS MORNING

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