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REQUESTER INFORMATION

Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Anderson, Kraig	
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
kraiga@gmail.com	858-357-5100

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
Connors, George, S.		1861 (ME)

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 (ME)

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Kraig Anderson

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (ME)		
From: 1895	To: 1914	
(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

CMRS Service Request Number: 2-3002569759

CMRS Search Request Number(s):

Attendant Signature:

Remarks: Submitted to Arch Search 9/20/24 KAA Soundex C562

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SCREENING NOTES

☐ Reviewed and Nothing Removed SMA ☐ Items Removed and User Informed

Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Requests:

Screened Items:

☐ Additional charge outs and signatures on reverse side

Time Out:

Final Return:

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE/LIFESAVING SERVICE—RECORDS CHECKED

Employee Name: CONNORS, GEORGE S. **DOB:** 1/1/1861, ME

SOUNDEX: C562

Records checked:

Agency: Commerce 6028 Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk positive negative

Agency: Commerce 6029 Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk positive negative

Agency: Old Commerce Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk positive negative

AND

Agency: Treasury 2189 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

Agency: Treasury 2188 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

Agency: Old Treasury Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

If Negative:

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 1 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 2 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 3 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

Agency: Coast Guard SRCs Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

If Negative:

CMRS: possible CG service Area: _____ positive negative

ARCIS: _____ Area: _____ positive negative

Notes: **DOS: 1895 TO 1914; DOD: 1/1/1919, ME; LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE, ME**

In replying address
Commissioner of Lighthouses

and refer to date of this letter
and file No.

(COPY)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Supt. of Lighthouses 1st Dist. PORTLAND, MAINE. AUG 22 1921

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Inclosure

August 19, 1921

Hon. Frederick W. Dallinger,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

1. Referring to your letter of August 16, 1921, inclosing letter from J.S. Thorp, Esq., Northeast Harbor, Maine, in regard to a pension for the widow of George S. Connors, formerly an employee in the Lighthouse Service.

2. The Bureau regrets to advise you that it does not know of any law under which a pension might be granted to the widow of George S. Connors. The Lighthouse Service retirement law, approved June 20,1918 (40 Stat., 608), provides for the retirement of certain classes of employees of the Lighthouse Service, and it is thought this may be the law to which Mr. Thorp refers, but provision is not contained in this law for the relief of widows of such classes of employees. According to the records Mr. Connors resigned from the Lighthouse Service at the close of March 2, 1915, or before the enactment of the Lighthouse Service retirement law, which is not retroactive, and therefore no relief could be granted under this law. Mr. Thorp's letter is inclosed as requested.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) G R Putnam

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Inclosures

Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 1st. Supt. Inclosed is a copy of the above-mentioned letter from Congressman Dallinger, together with its inclosure.

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February 27, 1915.

Sir:

Having tendered your resignation as keeper of Baker Island Light Station, Maine, at $552 per annum, the Department has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of a date to be fixed by the Bureau and reported to the Department.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. George S. Connors,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

File No. 155

June 28, 1912.

Mr. George S. Connors,

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 Five Hundred and Fifty-two dollars per annum, effective July 1, 1912.

(By change from $46 per month.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY.

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Maine.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—PRIOR DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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October 8, 1908.

Mr. George S. Connors, of Maine, is hereby appointed

Keeper of Baker Island Light-Station, Maine,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of Forty-six 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.

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

(By change from $540 per annum.)

(Signed) Charles Earl.

Acting Secretary.

Date of oath: , 190

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The Light-House Board.

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LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD.
Form 140.—Ed. 3 21 98 500.

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NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE U. S. LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD,

Washington, D. C., 5 Oct. *, 189*9.

Major William S. Stanton, *U. S. A.,*

Engineer First *Light-House District,*

Boston, Mass.

SIR:

The Board informs you that, by letter of 28 Sept. *the Honorable the Secretary of the Treasury has* transferred and *appointed Mr* George S. Connors,

Second Assistant *Keeper of* Whitehead, Me, light-station,

at a salary of $450 *per annum, in place of* Mr. Otto A. Nilson, transferred.

Respectfully yours,

Thomas Perry
for Major, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.,
Engineer Secretary.

Office L. H. Inspector, 1st District
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LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD. Form 138.

NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT.

One Inclosure.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE U. S. LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD,

Washington, D. C., September 12th, 1895.

Comdr. Geo. E. Wingate, U. S. N.,

Inspector First L. H. District,

Portland, Me.

Sir:

Inclosed is transmitted a letter from the Honorable the Secretary of the Treasury to Mr. George S. Connors, appointing him Second Assistant Keeper of the Light-Station at Libby Islands, Maine in place of Mr. Roscoe G. Johnson, promoted, which the Board requests you to have delivered as addressed.

Respectfully, yours,

Geo. F. F. Wilde
Commander, U. S. N.
Naval Secretary.

Office L. H. Inspector, 1st. District
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LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD.
Form 139.—Ed. 1 21 96 500.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT KEEPER.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE U. S. LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD,

1 Inclosure.

Washington, D. C., 9 June, 1896.

Comdr. George E. Wingate, U. S. N.,

Inspector 1st Light-House District.

Portland, Me.

Sir:

Inclosed herewith is transmitted a letter, dated 5 June from the Honorable the Secretary of the Treasury to Mr. George S. Commons, Recruiting and Lens 1st Assistant Keeper of Libby Islands Light-Station, Maine. in the place of Roscoe G. Johnson, transferred, to take effect on 1 July, 1896, which please have delivered as addressed.

The oath of office on Form 111 must be taken and subscribed to by the new Assistant Keeper and forwarded to this Office at an early day.

Respectfully yours,

R. F. Wilde

Commander, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

Office U. H. Inspector, 1st District.
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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE/LIFESAVING SERVICE—RECORDS CHECKED

Employee Name: CONNORS, GEORGE S. **DOB:** 1/1/1861, ME

SOUNDEX: C562

Records checked:

Agency: Commerce 6028	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	~~negative~~
Agency: Commerce 6029	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	~~negative~~
Agency: Old Commerce	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	~~positive~~	negative

AND

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ARCIS: _____	Area: _____	positive	negative

Notes: **DOS: 1895 TO 1914; DOD: 1/1/1919, ME; LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE, ME**

George S. Connors.

INACTIVE

STATE FROM WHICH APPOINTED
Maine

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	OFFICE, BUREAU, OR DIVISION	DATE APPOINTED
Keeper, Baker Is., L. Sta., Me.	$540	Light-House Service	Position from Treasury 7/1/03
" " " " "	$46.mo	"	July 1. 1908.
" " " " "	$552.	"	July 1. 1912
			(Succession cond. March 3/15.)

Resigned close date to be reported—
Close March 2. 1915

INACTIVE

George S. Connors

Old Comm 2/1/18

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LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD.
Form 72.

NOMINATION OF LIGHT KEEPER.

To be sent to the Light-House Board.

Office of the Inspector, First Light-House District,

Sept 4th, 1895.

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To the Secretary of the Treasury,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to nominate Mr. George S. Connor

for appointment as ~~Acting~~ Second Assistant

Keeper of the * Light Station at Libby Islands

Light Station Maine, to take effect from date of entering on duty, in

place of Mr. Roscoe G. Johnson

who † is recommended for promotion.

Sept 6, 1895. *Respectfully yours,* 450

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

Geo. F. Wilde
Naval Secretary.

M. E. Wingate
Inspector.

EXTRACTS FROM THE REGULATIONS OF THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD.

Inspectors are to select keepers and assistants with particular reference to their fitness for and capacity to perform the duties required of them. Members of the keeper's family should only be nominated in rare and exceptional cases, where the interest of the service requires it.

Keepers and assistants must be over eighteen years of age when appointed. They must be able to read and write, and in every respect be competent to discharge the duties of keeper. Assistants are required to observe the orders of the keepers in all matters connected with the duties of the establishment; and any disobedience of such orders will be held as a sufficient cause for recommending their discharge.

Men of intemperate habits, and those who are otherwise mentally or physically incapable of performing the duties of light keepers, must not be nominated for appointment.

Keepers, when appointed, will receive instructions from the inspector as to the time of entering upon their duties, and will be paid at the rates stipulated in their appointments, from the date at which they actually enter upon their duties, and not before.

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* State whether light or fog-signal station.

† Here must be stated the manner in which the vacancy arose which this nomination is intended to fill. Thus: resigned; deceased; or removed.

NOTE.—This form to be filled in and signed by the nominee.

South Lubec, Me.

Aug. 31., 1895.

Please answer the following questions, and sign your name in *full*.

Where were you born? Millbridge Maine

Are you a citizen of the United States? yes

What is your age? 34

Are you married? yes

Were you ever in the U. S. Army or Navy—either regular or volunteer—or in the Marine Corps? If so, state the company, regiment, or vessel. —

In what capacity? —

Where, and how long did you serve? —

Were you honorably discharged? —

When and where? —

What qualifications do you possess for the position you desire? thouroughly understand Light & Fog Signal

By whom are you recommended?

Fred. W. Morong
J. W. Spaulding

Where is your present *legal* residence? Giving Town, County, State, and number of Congressional District.

Lubec Washington Maine
4th Dist

What other Government appointments have you held, and why did you not continue therein?

Acted as Substitute at West Quoddy Light Sta

Have you any relatives in any branch of the Government service? *If so, state* WHO *they are, in what capacity they are employed, and what relation.*

A Brother at
Petit Menan Light Sta as
Second assistant Edmond M. Commons

(SIGN NAME IN FULL.) Geo. S. Commons

(Ed. 6-12-'94—3,000.)

(All communications should be addressed to "THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD.")

Treasury Department,

B. Office of the Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C., June 1, 1896.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the promotion of Mr. George S. Connors from the position of Second Assistant Keeper at Libby Islands light-station, Me., to that of First Assistant Keeper at the same station, to take effect 1 July, '96, in the place of Mr. Roscoe G. Johnson, whose transfer has been asked.

Respectfully yours,

W. T. Wilde

Commander, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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(All communications should be addressed to "THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD.")

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Treasury Department,

Office of the Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C., 23 Sept., '99.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the transfer and reduction of Mr. George S. Connors, from the position of First Assistant Keeper at Libby Island, Me., light-station, to that of Second Assistant Keeper at Whitehead, Me., light-station, to date from 15 Oct., '99, with pay at the rate of $450. a year, in the place of Mr. Otto A. Wilson, who is recommended for transfer and promotion.

This change is requested by Mr. Connors.

Respectfully,

Thomas Pym

Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD. IN WRITING UPON THE SUBJECT OF THIS LETTER QUOTE THE FOLLOWING FILE NUMBER:

FILE No. 4610.

Asking the transfer & promotion of Geo. S. Connors to be Kpr. at Baker Island Me. Lt. Stn.

Rec'd. June 9, 1902. Light-House Board.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

OFFICE OF THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD,

Washington, 6 June, 1902.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the transfer and promotion of Mr. George S. Connors from the position of Second Assistant Keeper at Whitehead, Me., light-station, to that of Keeper at Baker Island, Me., light-station, with pay at the rate of $540. a year, in the place of Mr. Howard P. Robbins, recommended for transfer.

Respectfully,

W. Maynard

Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT.
Form 111.—Ed. 6 19 1901 1,500.

OATH OF OFFICE.

PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES.

I, George S. Connors do solemnly 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.

George S Connors
O.o.d. Sept 1, 1902.
S.

Sworn and subscribed before me,
this 29 day of August A. D. 1902

Walter Hadlock
Notary Public

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Keeper	Baker Island L.H.	Maine	Maine

This Oath should be taken before a ~~Justice of the Peace~~, Notary Public, a Judge, a 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.*

PERSONAL INFORMATION SHEET

NOTE.—This sheet is to be used only in cases of persons transferred to the Department of Commerce and Labor, by operation of law, July 1, 1903.

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

May 15, 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 in Part II of this form, relative to each appointee or employee, now in the service, who was serving in your Bureau June 30, 1903, and was transferred to the Department of Commerce and Labor July 1, 1903, pursuant to the acts of Congress approved February 14, 1903, and March 3, 1903, 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.

Geo. B. Cortelyou

Secretary.

PART I.

CARDED.

(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. George Smith Connors

2. How do you write your name on the pay roll? George S. Connors

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

Cranberry Islands (City or town.) | Maine (State or Territory.) | Hancock County (County.) | 3 (Congressional district.)

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

5. Where were you born? Millbridge, Maine

6. When were you born? July (Month.) | 13 (Day.) | 1861 (Year.)

7. Are you pensioned by the United States 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 Government? (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.
There are none				

9. How long were you in the civil service of the United States Government prior to July 1, 1903?

Seven years

10. 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;" or, "By reinstatement;" or, "By transfer from ————," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Appointed before position was classified

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

no

12. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil or Spanish-American wars? (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 9, 12, and 13.)

at work in coaling business and Ship yard

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.")

Public School

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

Common Laborer

17. What, if any, civil service examinations have you passed? (State name and date of each, as near as you recollect.)

no

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. June 11th, 1904

Witness:

(Signature) George S. Cannon

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Isleford Maine
City or town.

Number and street.

State of Maine
State or Territory.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded Sept 28, 1904

(Signature)

(Official title) Commander U. S. N.
Inspector 1st. L. H. District.

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 was employed July 1, 1903.

Light-House | Baker Island Dt. No. | First
Bureau or Service. | Place (city, town, or station). | District.

2. What position did he hold July 1, 1903? Keeper

3. On what date was he appointed to this position? September 1902

4. How long had he served in the Bureau or Service in which he was employed July 1, 1903?

7 years, 9 months

5. What was his salary July 1, 1903? $540. per annum

6. From what appropriation was he paid July 1, 1903? Salaries of keepers of Light Houses.

7. Was the position he held July 1, 1903, excepted, competitive, or unclassified under the civil service rules?

Competitive

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

9. If the appointee or employee was appointed through examination, state the kind of examination. If not so appointed, state how he entered the position. (Examples: "Appointed before position was classified;" or, "By reinstatement;" or, "By transfer from ————," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Appointed before position was classified

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

(Signature) [signature]

(Official title) Commander U. S. N.
Inspector 1st. L. H. District.

Date: Sept 28, 1904

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED OCT 7-1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of the Inspector, 1st L. H. Dist.,

Portland, Maine,

October 1, 1908
(Date)

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) increase in pay
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) George S. Connors to Ford of (3) Maine,
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)
from (4) Keeper
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (5) Baker Island Light-Station, Me.,
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED OCT 7 1908 DEPT. OF COMMERCE & LABOR

at (6) $540 per yr. to (7) Keeper,
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) Baker Island Light-Station, Me., at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
(9) $46 per mo., effective beginning (10) July 1, 1908, (the date
(Salary recommended)
of his entrance on duty) ~~xxxx

GENERAL APPOINTMENT--PRIOR DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

October 9, 1908.

Mr. George A. Goodwin, of Maine, is hereby appointed

Keeper of Baker Island Light-Station, Maine,

in the Lighthouse Service,

at a salary of Eighty 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.

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

(By change from $540 per annum.)

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
REPORTED
OCT 12 1908
TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

CARDED

Charles Earl
Acting Secretary.

Date of oath: , 190

The Light-House Board.

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Form 111

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

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Enclosures.

I, George S. Connor

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.

George S. Connor

[b] Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of October, A. D. 1908

(Affix official seal here.)

[c](Name:) Walter Hodlork

(Official title:) Notary Public

OFFICIAL TITLE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Keeper $46.00 per month	Baker Island Light-Station, Me.	Maine	Maine

OFFICE OF THE Inspector, 1st LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT,

Portland, Me., (Address.), October 22, 1908. (Date.)

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

CARDED

(Signed:) C W Fabs

Inspector 1st 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
JUN 9 1909
NO.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

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

1. Bureau Light House Service
2. Where employed Baker Island Light
3. Name George S. Connors
4. Where born Millbridge, Maine
5. Age 47
6. Position Keeper
7. Compensation $46.00 per month & 30¢ day ration
8. When appointed (a) September 9, 1895
   Oath September 19, 1895.
9. How appointed (b) Prior to Classification
10. Appointed from
    State Maine
    Congressional District Fourth
    County Washington
    Originally appointed from Hancock County, 3d Cong. District.
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (c) Classified Competitive O.R.
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? no
13. Other Government service none
14. Duties (describe fully) Keeper Baker Island Light Station
15. Efficiency
    Quantity of work (d) 9/10
    Quality of work (e) Very good
    Interest manifested in work (f) Very Good
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes
17. Remarks (g)

Colonel, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.,
Engineer Secretary.

CAPTAIN, U. S. N.
NAVAL SECRETARY

C M Fahs
Comdr. U.S.N. L.H. Inspector.
Head of Bureau or Office.

JUN 7 1909, 19

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

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EFFICIENCY REPORT May 13, 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 George S. Connors 2. Age 50 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau Light House Service 4. Position Keeper
$46.mo. &.30

5. Compensation day ration 6. Where employed Baker Island Light Station

7. When appointed (*a*) Sep.9,1895 8. How appointed (*b*) Prior to classification

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) Keeper Baker Island Light Station, Me.

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	90	2	180	
Quality of work	85	3	255	
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	100	3	300	
Attendance		2		
Total		8+0	735	
Average percentage			91	875

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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:

Bureau's letter May 5, 1911

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.
14-days	-	-	14 days	-	-	12 days	-	-

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.) Performs his own work

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.) Salary commensurate

If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be. -----

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—

Jno. W. McDonald

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

Jno. W. McDonald

Commander, U. S. Navy,
Inspector 1st L.H.District

G. B. Putnam

Chief of Bureau or Office.

T. S. C.

Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES JUN 6 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, First DISTRICT,

Portland, Me., June 1, 1912

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED JUN 21 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Change in appointment.

Name, George S. Connors Legal residence, Maine.

Position, Keeper Salary, $552 per annum.

Location, Lighthouse Service (Baker Island Lt.-Sta., Me.)

Effective July 1, 1912. ~~of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~

Former position, Keeper Former salary, $46 per month.

Location, Baker Island Light-Station, Me.

Rank in list of eligibles, Rating, Percentage,

Other eligibles considered,

Letters of declination inclosed,

Previous incumbent, Himself. Services terminated,

Reason,

Remarks:

Recommendation made in accordance with instructions contained in the Bureau's circular letter, dated May 23, 1912.

Sherman

Inspector 1st L.H.District.

Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.

Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

JUN 21 1912

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

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION APPOINTMENT WRITTEN JUN 28 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

G B Peirce

~~Acting~~ Commissioner

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

June 28, 1912.

Mr. George S. Connors,

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 Five Hundred and Fifty-two dollars per annum, effective July 1, 1912.

(By change from $46 per month.)

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION. REPORTED JUN 28 1912 TO DISBURSING CLERK DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Not to be reported to C. S. C.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

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

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Maine.

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Form 111

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OFFICE OF DISBURSING CLERK
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DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, George S. Connors,

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.

☞ Geo S Connors
(Appointee signs here)

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

(Affix official seal here)

[4](Name) Walter Hadlock

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Past	Past	Past
Keeper	$46 per mo.	Baker Island Light-Station, Me.
Present	Present	Present
Keeper	$552 per yr.	Lighthouse Service.

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 1st District

Portland, Me., (Address) July 13 1912. (Date)

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

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DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

CANCELED.

C E Sherman
(Signature, followed by title)
Inspector 1st L.H. 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.

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Form 93

LETTER TRANSMITTING RESIGNATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, First DISTRICT,

Portland, Me., Feb. 18 1915

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is transmitted the resignation of the following-named employee:

Name, George S. Connors Position, Keeper

Legal residence, Maine Station, Baker Island Light Station, Me.

Salary, $552.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of Mar. 5, 1915

This employee has taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

Remarks:

This resignation is submitted by Mr. Connors's wife, since Mr. Connors is at the hospital at Bar Harbor, Me., too ill to submit his own resignation. See letter herewith.

The only leave taken by Mr. Connors this year is that necessitated by his illness, he having been taken to the hospital at Bar Harbor, Me., on Feb. 1, 1915, critically ill with heart, kidney and liver trouble- since which time his position has been filled by his wife and step son, acting as his substitute; and inasmuch as the Service has not suffered, and as he has been in the Lighthouse Service since September, 1895, performing his duties in a faithful and satisfactory manner, it is recommended that he be paid in full to March 5, 1915, inclusive, when his services will be discontinued.

It was the intention of Mr. Connors, in any event, to have submitted his resignation effective April 1, 1915, as he personally informed me at the time of last inspection of his station.

A. L. Thurman
Inspector.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

HRW

WASHINGTON February 26, 1915.

3 inclosures.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, ~~approved~~ with recommendation that the resignation of Connors be accepted effective at the close of a date later to be determined and reported to the Department. Inclosed is a copy of Bureau letter of today on this subject. In view of the fact that Connors has been in the Service since 1895 and has been a faithful employee, the Bureau recommends that the provision that a person leaving the service will not be granted leave in excess of the accrued rate be waived in this case and that he be allowed the full 30 days as sick leave with pay with the understanding that he furnish a satisfactory substitue at his own expense. At the time Connors leaves the Service he will have earned approximately 5 days of leave.

Inclosed is the First Inspector's letter of February 18, 1915, in this case.

February 26, 1915.

APPROVED (excess leave):

A. L. Thurman
Acting Secretary.

Acting Commissioner

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
PORTLAND, ME.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Lighthouse Inspector
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FEB 18 1915
First Dist. Portland, Me.

FIRST DISTRICT

Bakers Island Light
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

Feb 17 1915

LIGHT
FEB 20 1915
HOUSES

Sir - I am sending in my husbands resignation on accit. of his sickness.

Mrs George S. Connors.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

HRW-McC.

Geo. S. Connors,
resignation.

February 26, 1915.

(COPY)

Lighthouse Inspector, Portland, Maine:

Referring to your form 93 of February 18, 1915, in regard to the resignation of George S. Connors, keeper, Baker Island Light Station, Me.

The Bureau has recommended to the Department that the resignation of Connors be accepted, effective at the close of a date to be later determined and reported to the Department, and that he be granted thirty days of sick leave during this calendar year, with the understanding that he will be furnished a substitute at his own expense during that time. It is noted from the form in question and your letter of February 18, 1915, that Connors was removed from his station on February 1, 1915, and, therefore, counting 30 days sick leave during this calendar year would make the resignation of Connors effective at the close of March 2, instead of March 5, 1915. In this connection attention is invited to the Regulations, 1914, par. 466, section 7, stating that the Sundays and legal holidays within the period of sick leave will be counted. Make proper report and recommendation in this case as to the correct effective date of the resignation of Connors.

Your nominations (form 73) in the cases of Varney L. King, Leonard B. Dudley, and Lester Leighton, dated February 18, 1915, have been submitted to the Department, recommended for approval. You will be advised in due time of the action taken by the Department in these cases. The effective date on these nominations has been changed to March 3, or entrance.

If authorized, these transfers will be with the understanding that two men will not be on duty in the same position at the same time.

(Signed) J. S. Conway

Acting Commissioner

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
PORTLAND, ME.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

No. LIGHT FE. 201915 HOUSES

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

George S. Connors: Resignation

Feb. 18, 1915.

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.

1 Referring to my letter of even date(Form 93), herewith, transmitting resignation of Mr. George S. Connors, keeper of Baker Island Light Station, Me., submitted and signed by his wife, inasmuch as it is considered probable that the Department cannot accept the resignation of a keeper, submitted by his wife, should such be the case, it is recommended that Mr. Connors's services be discontinued at the close of Mar. 5, '15, without prejudice.

2 In this connection, I have to state that on Feb. 1, '15, when I visited this station, Mr. Connors was found to be critically ill, through a combination of heart, liver and kidney complaint, and he was removed by tender to the hospital at Bar Harbor, Me. It was then considered doubtful if he would ever recover sufficiently to enable him to continue the performance of his duties at Baker Island Light Station; and as he had purchased a farm at Manset, Me., with intention of resigning from the Service, effective April 1, '15 (as he had previously verbally informed me), his wife expressed a desire to resign at once- but Mr. Connors was then and presumably now is unable to sign his own resignation.

3 Inasmuch as Mr. Connors will be unable to return to his station at the expiration of the 30 days' leave granted him as per par. 469, page 158, Regulations, 1914, it would seem that in any event it will be necessary to discontinue his services, subject to his possible recovery.

Inspector.

February 27, 1915.

Sir:

Having tendered your resignation as keeper of Baker Island Light Station, Maine, at $552 per annum, the Department has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of a date to be fixed by the Bureau and reported to the Department.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. George S. Connors,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

CARDED.

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February 27, 1915.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Referring to the First Inspector's communication of the 18th instant transmitting the resignation of George S. Connors from the position of keeper of Baker Island Light Station, Maine, the Department has to state that it has approved the Bureau's recommendation of the 26th instant to the effect that no deduction be made from Mr. Connors' pay on account of leave allowed in excess of the accrued rate, it being understood that he will furnish a satisfactory substitute at his own expense during such absence.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) W. J. FITZGERALD
Acting Chief Clerk.

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To the Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Mr Redfield, Sir

Having served more than 20 years in the Light house service and at last becameing disobled and dest retuning from the hospital is there not something you can do to help me. To them ore -compensation for one after serveing so long a time. I have a wife and two children to support. Please let me know

Resp. George S. Conners

Manset

Town of Bakers Ex. Co. S. Maine

April 2, 1915.

Dear Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo requesting to be advised whether any financial aid can be afforded you at this time in consideration of your services in the position of keeper of Baker Island Light Station, Maine, for a period extending over twenty years.

In response the Department regrets to advise you that under existing law there is no authority to allow compensation to an employee subsequent to the date of separation from the service.

In the event you feel that you are again able to perform the duties of lighthouse keeper, it is suggested that you make application to the Inspector of the First District at Portland, Maine, as under the civil service rules you are eligible for reinstatement in the service at any time within a year from the date of separation therefrom.

Very truly yours,

(SIGNED) E. F. SWEET.

Assistant Secretary.

Mr. George S. Connors,
Manset, Maine.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

JEL BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

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April 2, 1915.

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Lighthouse Inspector, **Portland, Maine.**

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Referring to Department letter discontinuing the services of the following-named employee, effective at the close of a date later to be determined and reported, report as soon as practicable the last day of service performed.

Name of employee: **George S. Connors,**

Position: **Keeper,**

Date of Department letter: **February 27, 1915.**

See Bureau letter of February 26, 1915, to you, in this case.

(Signed) *J. S. Conway*

Acting Commissioner.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

APR 6 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

J Conway

Acting Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

Office of Inspector, 1st District
Portland, Me.

CHIEF CLERK
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Apr. 5, '15.

Last day of service of
George S. Connors.

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C.

Referring to the Bureau's letters of Apr. 2 and Feb. 26, 1915,
I have to report that the last day of service of Mr. George S. Connors,
formerly keeper of Baker Island Light Station, Me., was March 2, 1915.

(Signed) Sherman
Inspector.

CARDEN.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
APR 7 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

See Department letter of February 27, 1915, in this case.

Acting Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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M. Hastings

Looks as if
there may be
merit in this.

J. J. Fitzgerald

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Mr Redfield
Secretary Commerce & Labor

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Sir, I am writing you in regards to the New Pension Bill which has just passed for Light House Keepers,
Now I wish to know if there will be something for me,
After more than 20 years service which has completly broken my health Is there some Compensation for me.
23 years ago I was Assistant Sup. at West Quoddy Light House for six Months. The following winter from Dec. until April

I took charge of the Lubec Channell light - then in Aug. 30 ~~1894~~ 1895 had my A/ for Libby Island Light And have since then been Steadly in the Service, Serveing 13 years in the Bakers Island Light as keeper where I was taken sick the 26 dy of Dec. 1914 The Inspector Sherman of the 1st light house Dist, came and carried me to the Bar Harbor Hospital and the Dr's have all told me it was the long had Servic completely wrecked my health, I have a wife and two children which I am not able to Support, Is there not

something for one who has served more than 20 yrs and Broken down in the Service, Respt.

George S Commers
Manset
Maine

May 9-1916

May 13, 1916.

Dear Sir:

The Department acknowledges receipt of your letter of the 9th instant in which you request to be informed whether you will be entitled to the benefits of the "new pension bill which has just passed for lighthouse keepers."

In reply the Department has to state that though bills are now pending in Congress which have for their object the retirement of officers and employees of the Bureau of Lighthouses and the Lighthouse Service, no law to this effect has yet been enacted. It is probable that the bill to which you refer is that introduced by Senator Nelson on February 12, 1916, (S. 4425), which passed the Senate on April 24, 1916. Under this act all officers and employees of the Bureau of Lighthouses and the Lighthouse Service who shall have reached the age of sixty-five years, after having been thirty years in the active service of the Government, may, at their option, be retired from further performance of duty; and all officers and employees of the Bureau of Lighthouses and the Lighthouse Service who shall have reached the age of seventy years shall be compulsorily retired from further performance of duty: Provided, That the annual compensation of persons so retired shall be a sum equal to one-fortieth of the last annual pay received for each year of active service in the Government, not to exceed in any case thirty-

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fortieths of the last annual pay received: Provided further, That such retirement pay shall not include any amount on account of subsistence or other allowances.

The fact that you were separated from the service by resignation on March 2, 1915, at which time you were 54 years of age and had been in the service 20 years, would render you ineligible to participate in the benefits of the above-mentioned act should the same become a law.

The letter dated February 18, 1915, from the Inspector of the First Lighthouse District, which you enclosed, is returned herewith as requested.

Very truly yours,

(SIGNED) E. E. PRATT

Acting

~~Assistant~~ Secretary.

Mr. George S. Connors,
Manset, Maine.

Enclosure 4583.
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