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Flynn, Kylie	
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
knfgbb@umsl.edu	217-440-1332

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
Gott, Montell, D.		1881 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: 1963 ME

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Kylie

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (ME)	From: 1917	To: 1922
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Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE/LIFESAVING SERVICE—RECORDS CHECKED

Employee Name: GOTT, MONTELL D **DOB:** 6/15 1881

SOUNDEX: _____ **CMRS CASE #:** 2-30002471954

Records checked:

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

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NOTES: LIGHTHOUSE, ME 1917-1922

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PORTLAND, ME.

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Inclosures LIGHTHOUSES

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.
Jan. 28, 1929

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

SUBJECT: Montell D. Gott, charges against.

1. Herewith are charges preferred against Montell D. Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper, Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, his answer thereto, and letters of his principal keeper and Customs authorities, upon which these charges were based.

2. Findings

Charge I Guilty
" II Not proven
" III Guilty

3. Recommendation

For the reasons stated in Charges I and III it is respectfully recommended that Montell D. Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper, Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, be dismissed from the service effective at the close of a date to be later determined and reported to the Department.

4. Mr. Gott has taken 4 days 17 hours leave in excess of his annual allowance, and this, with any additional excess leave taken, will be deducted from his pay in the event of his separation from the service as above recommended.

5. Section 2 of Civil Service Rule I, relative to political or religious opinion or affiliations will not be violated by the action recommended.

Sherman

SHERMAN
Superintendent.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
FEB 2 1929

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Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES'
1929 JAN 31 AM 9 15

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

CES:CP

REGISTERED MAIL: DIRECT

January 21, 1929

Mr. Montell D Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper,
Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine.

1. The following charges are preferred against you:

CHARGES

I. Insubordination
II. Improper use of keeper's dwelling
III. Improper conduct.

SPECIFICATIONS

I. That having knowledge of the presence of hidden liquor on Great Duck Island on which your station is located, you failed to report the fact to your principal keeper; to the nearest Deputy Collector of Customs, or to your Superintendent, but did, with the assistance of one Andrews, proceed on or about January 5, 1929 to remove said hidden liquor from the island; this in violation of Article 10 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927", in which you are required to conduct matters of official business through your immediate superior.

II. That on or about January 4, 1929 you did harbor one Andrews in your station quarters for one or more days for the purpose of conspiring with him to remove certain hidden liquor from the island on which your station is located to the shore; this in violation of Article 168 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927", which forbids the use of a light keeper's dwelling for an improper purpose.

III. That on or about January 5, 1929, you did, without authority, illegally transport a quantity of liquor in your boat from Great Duck Island to the shore where said liquor was taken in charge by Government officers and your boat taken over by them; thus bringing the Lighthouse Service into disrepute in violation of Article 6 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927".

2. In accordance with Article 91 of "Instructions to Employees of the Lighthouse Service, 1927", you will within three (3) days from receipt of these charges submit such statements as you desire to make in answer thereto. If you desire to make no statements, you will so report in writing.

SHERMAN
Superintendent

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
OFFICE XXXXXXXXXXXX T DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

Great Duck Island Lt.Sta.
Jan. 22, 1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Portland, Maine

Sir: In answer to your letter which my wife Red after Telephone to me today will say about Mr. Andrews Stoping with me. I did not know that He was after Liquor if I had know it He would never come at my House and Stoped. He had been out here 3 or 4 times in the past and maid a visit and nothing was thought of it and This time was the same as far as I knew. about Takeing the Liquor in Shore He brought it down to my Boat at the North End of Island I didnt know what to Think when I saw Him with it I said what you got He didnt answer. it was leaking. I got out of my Boat and Smeled of it I said it is Alcohol and said you cant take it in my Boat. Then I said yes put it in I will take it in to Mr. Higgins. he is Custom House Officer at South West Harbor, Me.as He had Told me before If I run across a Small lot I could Dump it or Bring it in so I thought what He said would be all Right. This is what I understood him to say.

P.S. also 2 qts. of whiskey.

Yours Truly
(sgd) M D Gott 1st Asst.

In answer to 91 will say I found Whiskey in The Woods and took it to a place at the North End of Island and put it in a safe place so no body would get it and use it or Sell. I dont suppose it was just Right to do that but I did it and no body else knew about it. But I would Told Mr.Higgins about it later he would got it all. no Liquor was ever used in my House as far as I know and never will by if I know it. no Liquor ever hid on this Station as far as I know. I dont use Liquor dont Sell it nor dont give it away. I found 48 gallons last fall for the Officers and this lot would been just be same.

Yours Truly
(sgd) M D Gott 1st Asst.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
XXXXXXXXXX
PORTLAND, ME.

Great Duck Island
Jan. 7th 1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: On Janl 1st, 1929, a man by the name of Mr. Andrews, visit this station of the 1st Asst. Mr. M.D.Gott's house. The same Mr. Andrews was on here with a woman, when the last liquor was found on here. He made remarks to the 2nd Asst. Mr. Stanley, if he found any he would hide it, and come after it, this winter. So when he arrived here, this made me think he arrived to carry out some off the statements he made, and I kept a close watch on him, thinking he might have had it on government property. I saw no liquor, But on Jan.4th when I went to call Mr. Gott at 10 P.M. I smelled liquor in the kitchen where Mr. Andrews was sitting. Then my mind was fully made up there was liquor on this Island and as they were planning to leave next day, I made up my mind they would not take liquor off this Island and get away with it as I took it to come under thehead off my duty. Mr. Gott brought his boat from the Eastern boat house to the Western boat house slip, before dinner. When he came up to the house Mr. Andrews was not around. He said he was around the Island some where and that he wished he would hurry up and come down as it was a good chance to get started. When he did come back from around the Island, they did not seem to be in any hurry, but done lots off talking, and that made me think something wrong as it was getting late, and they were going in a pea pod and the Radio spoke off a heavy South East gale. and I informed them off it. When they did get ready to leave, Mr. Gott put what he was going to take from station in his pea pod. Then he asked Mr. Andrews iff he was going to get in on the western boat slip with him or walk up to the north end. He told him he would walk, and be there the time he was. This also gave me a stronger reason to believe there was something wrong as it was smooth as a house floor at the Western slip and as there was nothing I could see for Mr.Gott to row way around to the north end off the Island for iff there was not something wrong and something he was hiding that he did not want me to know. But I made up my mind I was going to. So. Mr.Stanley saw Mr.Gott off the slip and Mr. Andrews came in a told my wife to call up and tell his daughter he was on his way in, I was in the house at the same time. He also said not to call untill 3.15 P.M. Then he said good by. Then started for the North. When he got out off sight, I started. When Mr. Andrews arrived at the north end camp and Mr. Gott arriving same time. I was close by, in a tree where I could see all there was going on. Mr. Gott landed on one side off the ledge, getting out and walking up to the camp. Then started back to his boat Mr.Andrews behind.

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PORTLAND, ME.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

With a bag in his hand, that looked like a case off liquor. He walked part way to the boat, and set it down and rested. Then started along and put bag in the boat. Mr. Andrews then walked back toward the camp. While Mr. Gott rowed around where he allways hauls up his boat. Then Mr.Gott also came up to the camp, went in and come right out again. Then he and Mr. Andrews went to the boat and put up the sail and started away from the Island. I lost no time in getting back to the station, calling the office about it. Then I was advised to telephone custom house officer, Mr. Howe Higgins wich I did stateing to him what I saw, and what I thought was liquor. giving him the time they left. He then called me later telling me he had my 1st Asst. Mr. Gott and Mr. Andrews and found in there possession a case off alchol and two qts off whiskey. I then notified the Superintendent to this report. On Jan. 7th I carried out your instructions to search Mr. Gott's house with Mr. Stanley. But found no liquor. I then went up to where Mr. Gott has things stored, and in his bag I found one qt. off whiskey almost full. I then brought it to my house and marked it and put it under lock and key, as your instructed me to. Tonight Jan.7th Mr. Perry off the coast patrol telephoned me stateing he had called upon Mr.Gott, and took possion off his boat. He also said Mr.Gott told him there was sixteen qts. up under an old root off a tree.near north gulch. Asked me iff I would look around the first thing in the morning, Said he was afraid some one would be out and get it before he could get here,wich I did, with my wife and Mr. Stanley's wife and boy. But it was not as he directed Mr Perry it was. We located one bag full under a clump off small trees that was some distances from where Mr.Gott said and we did not get all was there that he said, unless this was another lot different from the one he spok about. I brought same to station as was instructed and put it under lock and key. Officers arrived at station Jan. 8th, 1929 Took all stuff that was found and gave me receipt for same.

(sgd) R.W. Powers
Keeper
Great Dusk Island.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT
United States Customs Service.

Office of the Deputy Collector.

Bar Harbor, Maine.

January 11, 1929.

Capt. Sherman,
Supt. Lighthouse Service,
Portland, Maine.

Dear Sir:-

On Jan. 8th, 1929 I arrested Montell D. Gott, Asst. Light keeper, at Duck Island on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor and took him before U. S. Commissioner Locke in Augusta who held him under $500. bonds for the June term of the U. S. District court.

I understand that it was not clear to you whether or not Gott had been placed under arrest and I am sending this for your information.

Respectfully

(Signed) L. J. Perry
Customs Patrol Inspector.

MEMO BY SUPT:

In telephone conversation with Mr. Gott, upon enquiry as to his arrest, he denied that he had been arrested.

Sherman
Superintendent.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Collector of Customs
District No. 1

United State Customs Service

Portland, Maine.

January 19, 1929

Capt. C. E. Sherman, Supt.,
First U. S. Lighthouse District,
Portland, Maine.

Sir:

With reference to seizures made from Montell Gott of the Great Duck Island Light Station, I beg to advise you that Gott was taken before the U. S. Commissioner and bound over in bail of $500.00 for the June term of the U. S. Court at Bangor.

This term of Court opens the First Tuesday in June.

I trust that this is the information which you requested in order to have a replacement for Gott at the time he has to go to Court.

Respectfully,

(Sgd) F. M. Hume
F. M. HUME
Collector.

GWB.

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LIGHTHOUSE COMMISSIONER

REQUEST STATUS RECOMMENDATION CHARGES KEEPER MONTEL D GOTT

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Commissioner of Lighthouses

RIC:EMF

Washington DC February 19 1929

Lighthouse Superintendent Portland Maine

Dismissal keeper Montel d gott approved

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CONFIRMATION:

PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 14—FIELD QUESTIONNAIRE
(To be filled out in accordance with the instructions given in P. C. B. Forms Nos. 15 and 16)

CP

Bureau No. Lt. 1395 *Sheet No.* 1(b)-33

Space reserved for the use of the Board

1. Cott (Surname) Montell (Given name) D (Initial)

2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field station Great Duck Island Light Station
(b) Subdivision First District
(c) City or town Mount Desert State Maine

6. Pay roll title Light Keeper
7. Customary office title First Assistant Keeper
8. Present administrative allocation $1200-$1680
9. Present gross rate of pay $ 240
10. Deduction for allowances $ 240
11. Net rate paid in cash $

12. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box or boxes the kind of allowances, if any, received by the employee:
X House ☐ Room { ☐ Furnished ☐ Heat ☒ Fuel ☐ Uniform Meals per day: ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
X Unfurnished X Light ☐ Laundry ☐ Subsistence or rations in kind

13. Describe any other allowance, privilege, or perquisite of value None

14. If any special equipment or a bond is required by law or regulation to be furnished at the employee's expense, state kind and annual cost Uniform; its cost depending upon quality of material selected by employee; estimate $20 per annm

15. (a) Regular hours of work: From Not Fixed m. to m. (b) How many hours per week excluding unusual or irregular overtime work?
Summer Irregular Winter Irregular (c) If not a full time and all-the-year-round position, state number of hours per day ;
number of days per { week / month / year } (d) If certain hours of availability for duty, outside of regular working hours, are required, state hours and type of such duty Subject to duty at all times while on station

16. (a) Rate of pay for overtime None (b) Amount of overtime pay in last 12 months None

17. (a) Does the employee in any way direct or supervise other employees? Yes (b) If so, in what way? (See Form 16 before answering)
In the operation, upkeep, etc. of station, the duties of which are equally shared by the three keepers

(c) How many? One

18. If the employee supervises other persons through immediate contact, give the name and the sheet numbers of such persons. (For such of these as may not be covered by questionnaires, give number and kinds by occupations.) If the employee exercises supervision through section or division heads, give the title of such sections or divisions and the names and sheet numbers of their heads.

Leverett S Stanley Sheet No. 1(b)-31

19. (a) Is the employee in any way directed, supervised, or instructed, or his work reviewed? Yes (b) If so, in what way? (See Form 16 before answering.)
By his principal keeper in all duties pertaining to the operation of the station. In absence of principal keeper this employee is in full charge of the station.

20. What is the name, official position, and sheet number of the employee's immediate superior? Edward F Rich, Keeper, Sheet No. 1(b)-32.

21. Employee's education: Strike an "X" over the number representing the highest grade or year completed in each type of school:

Elementary								High				Normal				College				Postgraduate or professional				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X 8	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	(Kind)

Other education (describe):

22. What length and kind of experience or other training did the employee possess upon original entrance into this position which was most qualifying or pertinent?
Boatman accustomed to handling small and rowboats small schooners

23. TO THE EMPLOYEE: Describe in detail the work you do. Put each distinct duty, task, or process in a separate paragraph. Explain first those that require most of your time. Explain occasional duties last. In the column at the left opposite each paragraph enter the approximate percentage of your time devoted to the work described in that paragraph. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO COMPOSE THIS STATEMENT WITHOUT FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS OF P. C. B. FORM NO. 15.

Percentage of working time	
	Look station over often, see what it needs done most and do it or have it done. Look the tower over often, keep the light in good order at all times. Keep fog signal same in good working order best of your knowledge, etc., do minor repairs at best you can and all other work on station at best you can.
8 hours	Working days for common
4 hours about	Watches, cleaning lamps, vaporizers & brass, etc.

24. I hereby certify that the foregoing was composed by me after reading P. C. B. Form No. 15, and that it is a true statement of my duties.

(SGD) H D GOTT

(Signature of Employee)

25. TO THE PREPARING OFFICER: Write your own description of the employee's work. If in describing the work of the position you would cover the same subject matter and use the same language and expressions, indicate your concurrence in the employee's statement and utilize the rest of the space below by giving further and broader information regarding the position, such as the kind and degree of responsibility involved, the ultimate purpose of the work, its place in your organization, its working conditions, etc. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet. See instructions in Form No. 16.

Care and operation of a 4th order incandescent oil vapor light and lens revolving clock
Care and operation of a compressed air fog signal plant
Cleaning and minor repairs of above apparatus
Cleaning, painting and making minor repairs to structures
Care and attention of grounds of station
Observing weather conditions and aid to navigation.

26. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Since November 19, 1920

27. I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the statements made by me on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete.

OCT 12 1928, 1928 (Date) — JAMES C. WOOLLEY (Signature of Preparing Officer) — Chief Clerk (Title)

28. I hereby certify that I have read all of the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete, except as indicated in attached memorandum, marked ____ In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $1320 to $1620.

OCT 13 1928, 1928 (Date) — C. E. SHERMAN (Signature of head of field office or station) — Supt. of Lighthouses. (Title)

29. I hereby certify that I have read all of the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the statements made on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete, except as indicated in attached memorandum, marked ____ In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $1320, to $1620

OCT 22 1928, 1928 (Date) — H. B. BOWERMAN (Signature of head of bureau or his representative) — Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses. (Title)

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March 8, 1929.

Dr. George R. Putnam, Commissioner
Bureau of Lighthouses
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Putnam:-

Will you be kind enough to give Senator Hale a report on Montell D. Gott who was dismissed from the Lighthouse service on February 28th and who was, I think, Assistant Keeper of Great Duck Light? I think he was in some sort of a "jam" with the prohibition officers. I simply want a report on why he was dismissed.

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

Rodney E. Marshall

Rodney E. Marshall,
Secretary to Senator Hale.

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RG:EMF

March 11, 1929.

Hon. Frederick Hale,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Hale:

1. In reference to your letter of March 8, requesting information regarding the case of Mr. Montell D. Gott, former Assistant Keeper of Great Duck Light Station:

2. You are respectfully informed that the records show that Mr. Gott was dismissed at the close of February 28, 1929, in connection with charges preferred against him for assisting in the transporting of liquor from the light station. The record indicates that Mr. Gott had knowledge of liquor being concealed on Great Duck Island where the station is located and failed to make a report of it and that he later assisted in the illegal transporting of this liquor. In connection with this matter, the record also shows that Mr. Gott was arrested by the Customs Patrol Inspector of Bar Harbor, Maine.

Very truly yours,

G. R. PUTNAM

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Copy to 1st Supt.

EMF

September 10, 1929.

Hon. Frederick Hale,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Hale:

1. In reference to your letter of September 6, relative to Montell D. Gott, formerly employed as Assistant Keeper of Great Duck Light Station:

2. You are respectfully informed that this matter is under consideration and that you will be further advised in regard thereto at an early date.

Very truly yours,

G. R. PUTNAM
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

RG:EMF

September 18, 1929.

Hon. Frederick Hale,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Hale:

1. In further reference to your letter of September 6, in the interest of Mr. Montell D. Gott, former assistant keeper of Great Duck Light Station, Maine:

2. You are respectfully informed that the records show that Mr. Gott was dismissed at the close of February 28, 1929, in connection with charges preferred against him for assisting in the transportation of liquor from the light Station. The records indicate that Mr. Gott possessed knowledge of the liquor being concealed near the light station and that he later assisted in its illegal transportation. Under the circumstances it is not considered that his reinstatement at this time would be in the interest of the Service.

Very truly yours,

G. R. PUTNAM

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Department of Commerce,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Putnam:-

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Very truly yours,

Frederick Hale

M/S.

EMF Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., September 10, 1929.

To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Portland, Maine, for remark and return.

W P Karman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

CES:CP

Office of Superintendent, 1st District,
Portland, Maine, September 12, 1929.

1. Respectfully returned.
2. It is not known whether or not the Department would reinstate Mr. Gott but this office would not recommend his reinstatement; at least at this time.

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SHERMAN
Superintendent

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Ppas attached
Ltr. advising Senator
not deemed in
interest of Service

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September 23, 1929.

Memorandum for Secretary of Commerce:

Pursuant to letter of July 2, 1929, the following report is submitted of an endorsement by a member of Congress of an individual for appointment in this Service:

Name of Member of Congress.
Hon. Frederick Hale, of Maine - U.S. Senate.

Name of and Address of Individual.

Mr. Montell D. Gott, formerly Keeper of Great Duck Light Station, Me.
Position sought - Salary.

Keeper of Light Station - reinstatement - $1260 per annum.

Senator Hale advised that Mr. Gott was dismissed at close of February 28, 1929, on account of charges preferred agsinst him for assisting in liquor transportation, and under circumstances his reinstatement would not be in the interest of the Service.

W. P. HARMAN

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

CPL

Gott's File

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SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES
FIRST DISTRICT
SEP 21 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

September 18, 1929.

Hon. Frederick Hale,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Hale:

1. In further reference to your letter of September 6, in the interest of Mr. Montell D. Gott, former assistant keeper of Great Duck Light Station, Maine:

2. You are respectfully informed that the records show that Mr. Gott was dismissed at the close of February 28, 1929, in connection with charges preferred against him for assisting in the transportation of liquor from the light station. The records indicate that Mr. Gott possessed knowledge of the liquor being concealed near the light station and that he later assisted in its illegal transportation. Under the circumstances it is not considered that his reinstatement at this time would be in the interest of the Service.

Very truly yours,

G. R. PUTNAM

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Copy to 1st Supt.

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Gott's file

UNITED STATES SENATE

Committee on Naval Affairs

September 6, 1929.

Hon. George R Putnam, Commissioner
Bureau of Lighthouses,
Department of Commerce,
Washington, D. C.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT
UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE
PORTLAND, ME.

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
MAR 19 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

March 19, 1929

Capt. C. E. Sherman, Supt.,
U. S. Lighthouse Service,
156 Free Street,
Portland, Maine.

Sir:

I enclose herewith, for your information, a copy of a letter from our Chief Customs Patrol Inspector to which is attached a copy of a statement made to him by Montell D. Gott of McKinley, Maine, with reference to recent liquor activities and seizures on Great Duck Island.

Respectfully,

F. M. HUME,
Collector.

GFB

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES.
FIRST DISTRICT.
MAR 19 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE

OFFICE OF
CHIEF CUSTOMS PATROL INSPECTOR
DISTRICT NO. 1
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TO THE CHIEF CUSTOMS PATROL INSPECTOR

BANGOR, MAINE

March 15th, 1929.

Supt.
1st Asst. Supt
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4th Clerk
Messenger

Collector of Customs,
Portland, Maine.

Sir:

I am enclosing several copies of an affidavit made by Montell D. Gott of McKinley, Maine, who was apprehended in the month of January with a small lot of liquor in his possession. The affidavit explains Mr. Gott's connection with this liquor.

I will ask that one copy of this affidavit be turned over to the U. S. Attorney, owing to the fact that we still have a case pending against Will Gott. I understand that Win Murphy was indicted at the last November Term of Court at Bangor and his case nol prossed. I further understand that Leonard Murphy was not indicted at all. Mr. Perry and I feel that Montell Gott gives a clear vision of the connection of the two Murphys and Will Gott with this load of liquor and that it will probably be advisable to reopen the case against the Murphys.

Mr. Montell Gott earnestly wishes to have us take up his case with the Superintendent of the Lighthouse Service and that a copy of this affidavit should be submitted to him. Mr. Gott has been discharged from his job with the Lighthouse Service, while Edmund A. Howe is still retained in the Service. Mr. Gott's story indicates that Howe knew as much about this liquor as he did. Mr. Gott has been given to understand that the fact that he did not report the presence of this liquor on Great Duck Island to his superior, Mr. Howe, is the reason why he was discharged but Gott's explanation of this is very simple in that he says that Howe knew as much or more about the whole matter as he did himself. Gott at least played fair with us when he reported to Higgins the liquor which Higgins seized at Great Duck Island on September 19th and therefore, I am minded to ask you to forward a copy of this affidavit to the Superintendent of the Lighthouse Service for further consideration.

The contained information furnished by Montell D. Gott, relates to seizures #8830, 8831, 8832, 8835, 9280, and four other seizures connected with the Great Duck Island case, of which we do not have the seizure numbers.

Respectfully,

Frank R. Rood

FRR/WSC

Frank R. Rood, Jr.
Chief Customs Patrol Inspector.

On September 10th, 1926, the Keeper of the Great Duck Island Light, Edmund A. Howe and myself were working on a sidewalk at Great Duck Island, when we were haled by Will Gott in his power boat. We went to the boat slip to find out what was the trouble and when we got down there, he rowed in in Win Murphy's tender and he told us that the Winn Murphy boat was ashore between the Pond and Seal Cove on Great Duck Island. He said she was filled with water and had a load of booze in her and he wanted us, (Howe and I) to go and see to the boat. He told us to find Mickey McKay if we could.

Howe and I went to the Win Murphy boat and arrived at about the same time and when we got there, Will Gott was alongside the Win Murphy boat with the skiff, taking bags from the Murphy boat into the skiff. I got into the house of the Win Murphy boat and went to picking over some of the bags, trying to find McKay. Will Gott was loading up the skiff at this time and Mr. Howe was on the boat at the same time, looking into the house. I cut open one of the bags and saw what was in it, straw covered bottles of whiskey. When I took a bottle from the bag, Howe said "Pass it to me." I passed him a single bottle and then passed him another and he then said, "Pass the whole bag."

At Mr. Howe's suggestion, we moved three of the bags of whiskey from the boat and I lugged them up from the shore and hid them in the woods. In addition, Mr. Howe took a fourth bag and brought it ashore himself. I never saw the bag which Mr. Howe carried ashore again. After the bags were lugged up, I went to dinner and Howe stayed near the Murphy boat and asked me to bring him back a lunch. When I returned from dinner with Howe's lunch, both Win and Leonard Murphy were there looking over the boat. Win went to picking up the boxes of alcohol along the shore and Leonard Murphy was taking those boxes up into the woods and concealing them.

Howe asked me if I wanted a case for myself and I said, "Don't know as I do," but I took it and carried about fifty yards from the shore. Win Murphy also said, "Help yourself." When I dropped the case, I turned around and saw Howe carrying a case which he took about thirty yards towards the Pond and hid under a tree. Howe and I then went home together about 2 P. M. We left Winn and Leonard Murphy still moving the boxes. We did not return that day.

The next day, September 11th, Howe and I went up and looked at his box of alcohol where he had left it under the tree. Howe said, "I want this case. It is in cans and we will throw the cans away." We took the two cans out of the case and carried them up into the woods about 200 yards further. Howe carried one and I carried the other. Then we found seven more cases of alcohol and carried them up further into the woods. We looked for the two bags of whiskey which I had hidden but found they were gone. We found the bag which I had taken from the boat, containing ten bottles. Nothing further happened at this time.

On the 15th of September, I went ashore at McKinley on leave of absence and returned on the 18th. When I returned from my vacation, Mr. Frank L. Andrews, a farmer of Eden, Maine, returned with me. Howe went ashore on leave on the 19th and I then had charge of the light.

On that same day, the 19th, being in charge of the light, I called Howe D. Higgins of Southwest Harbor and told him about the alcohol on the Island. Higgins came out to the Island in the Coast Guard boat on the same day and seized the liquor which I had found and told him about.

About a week later, I found a full bag of whiskey hidden in the woods. I took this to the north end of the Island and hid it in what I thought was a safe place. A few days after that, I took the ten bottles up to the north end of the Island, breaking three bottles on the way, leaving only seven.

Nothing further developed until January 1st, 1929, when Mr. Andrews came out to the Island. When he got there he went duck hunting along the shore. Mr. Andrews stayed on the Island until the 5th and then he asked me to take him ashore in my boat. As the weather was bad on the 5th, I told him to go to the north end of the Island as that was a better place to start from and while I was sailing my boat to the north end of the Island, Mr. Andrews went there on foot. When I landed on the north end of the Island, Mr. Andrews walked down from the camp carrying a heavy bag. I asked him what was in the bag and he did not answer. The bag was leaking and I could see that it was alcohol and told him so. I said, "You can't put that in my boat as I will lose my job and boat too." Afterwards, I told Mr. Andrews to put the alcohol in my boat and I would take it ashore and report it to Mr. Higgins. I then went up to my camp and got two quarts of whiskey that was there and put them in my boat. When Mr. Andrews and I got ashore at McKinley, in my boat, Mr. Higgins met us and I turned the liquor over to him.

In the meantime, a few days after Howe returned from his leave, he told me that while he was ashore, Win Murphy told him that he had found one bag of whiskey still left in the engine box of the boat and had carried it up and hidden it in the sea-wall. He stated he found this bag between the time Howe and I left the boat at about 2 P. M. on the 10th, and the time the Patrol Boat arrived and made the seizure. Win Murphy stated, so Howe said, that he later came to Duck Island with Leonard Murphy and took this bag of whiskey into Bass Harbor and took out two bottles and sold the rest for $50.00.

Montell D. Gott

I, Montell D. Gott, of McKinley, Maine, do solemnly swear that the above statement, signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, so help me God, and that the above statement was made by me of my own free will in the presence of Frank R. Reed, Jr., Leonard J. Perry, Edmund N. Alley, Jr., and Wm. S. Gould, Jr. and that I have not been promised any immunity from prosecution on account of any matter now pending before the Court.

Montell D. Gott

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Bangor, Maine, this fourteenth day of March, 1929.

Wm. S. Gould, Jr.

Wm. S. Gould, Jr.
Customs Patrol Inspector.

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SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
MAR 14 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

March 11, 1929.

Hon. Frederick Hale,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Hale:

1. In reference to your letter of March 8, requesting information regarding the case of Mr. Montell D. Gott, former Assistant Keeper of Great Duck Light Station:

2. You are respectfully informed that the records show that Mr. Gott was dismissed at the close of February 28, 1929, in connection with charges preferred against him for assisting in the transporting of liquor from the light station. The record indicates that Mr. Gott had knowledge of liquor being concealed on Great Duck Island where the station is located and failed to make a report of it and that he later assisted in the illegal transporting of this liquor. In connection with this matter, the record also shows that Mr. Gott was arrested by the Customs Patrol Inspector of Bar Harbor, Maine.

Very truly yours,

G. R. PUTNAM

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Copy to 1st Supt.

JCW:CP

February 25, 1929

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Reference being made to Departmental letter of dismissal dated February 19, 1929, in the case of Mr. Montell D Gott, 1st Assistant Keeper, Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine.

2. The effective date of this dismissal is at close of business February 28, 1929.

SHERMAN
Superintendent

JCW:CP

February 28, 1929

Secretary, 1st US Civil Service District,
Customhouse Tower,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

1. Your letter February 27, 1929:

2. The following employee is this day separated from the Service with prejudice (dismissal):

Gott, Montell D. 1st Asst. Keeper,
Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Me.,
Born July 15, 1881.

Respectfully,

JAMES C WOOLLEY
Local Secretary.

Letter filed under C. S. Emp. "SEPARATIONS"

JCW:CP

Enclosure

February 25, 1929

Mr. Montell D Gott,
1st Asst. Keeper, Great Duck Island LH, Me.
(Through Keeper)

1. Enclosed is Departmental letter of February 19, 1929 dismissing you from the Service in consequence of charges preferred against you by this office.

2. The effective date of this dismissal is at the close of business February 28, 1929.

S.

SHERMAN
Superintendent

COPY FOR STATION FILES

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
FEB 25 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

February 19, 1929.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,
Throught the Commissioner of Dighthouses.

Sir:

Charges of insubordination and improper conduct having been preferred against you and substantiated in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has dismissed you from the position of Keeper at $1440 per annum of Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, effective at the close of business on a date to be later determined and reported to the Department.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

ADK. J. GARDNER

FEB 23 1929

Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 1st Supt.

A:M

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Inclosures

Ent re cmd

Jan. 28, 1929

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

SUBJECT: Montell D. Gott, charges against.

1. Herewith are charges preferred against Montell D. Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper, Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, his answer thereto, and letters of his principal keeper and Customs authorities, upon which these charges were based.

2. Findings

Charge I Guilty
" II Not proven
" III Guilty

3. Recommendation

For the reasons stated in Charges I and III it is respectfully recommended that Montell D. Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper, Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, be dismissed from the service effective at the close of a date to be later determined and reported to the Department.

4. Mr. Gott has taken 4 days 17 hours leave in excess of his annual allowance, and this, with any additional excess leave taken, will be deducted from his pay in the event of his separation from the service as above recommended.

5. Section 2 of Civil Service Rule I, relative to political or religious opinion or affiliations will not be violated by the action recommended.

S.

SHERMAN
Superintendent.

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REGISTERED MAIL: DIRECT

January 21, 1929

Mr. Montell D Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper,
Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine.

1. The following charges are preferred against you:

CHARGES

I. Insubordination
II. Improper use of keeper's dwelling
III. Improper conduct.

SPECIFICATIONS

I. That having knowledge of the presence of hidden liquor on Great Duck Island on which your station is located, you failed to report the fact to your principal keeper; to the nearest Deputy Collector of Customs, or to your Superintendent, but did, with the assistance of one Andrews, proceed on or about January 5, 1929 to remove said hidden liquor from the island; this in violation of Article 10 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927", in which you are required to conduct matters of official business through your immediate superior.

II. That on or about January 4, 1929 you did harbor one Andrews in your station quarters for one or more days for the purpose of conspiring with him to remove certain hidden liquor from the island on which your station is located to the shore; this in violation of Article 168 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927", which forbids the use of a light keeper's dwelling for an improper purpose.

III. That on or about January 5, 1929, you did, without authority, illegally transport a quantity of liquor in your boat from Great Duck Island to the shore where said liquor was taken in charge by Government officers and your boat taken over by them; thus bringing the Lighthouse Service into disrepute in violation of Article 6 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927".

2. In accordance with Article 91 of "Instructions to Employees of the Lighthouse Service, 1927", you will within three (3) days from receipt of these charges submit such statements as you desire to make in answer thereto. If you desire to make no statements, you will so report in writing.

S.

SHERMAN
Superintendent

JM

COPY TO Keeper, Great Duck Island LH for station files.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
JAN 21 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

January 18, 1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Portland, Maine.

1. Re charges Montell D. Gott. If the conditions have not changed since leaving office, you are directed to date charges and forward them registered mail without delay.

Sherman

SHERMAN
Superintendent

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
JAN 28 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE

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FIRST DISTRICT

Great Duck Island
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Jan 22, 1929

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: in answer to Your letter which my Wife Red. after Telephone to me today will say. about Mr Andrews Staying with me. I did not know that He was after Liquor if I had known it He Would never came at my House and Stayed. He had been out here 3 or 4 time in the past and maid a visit and nathing was thaught of it and this time was the same as far as I knew. about Taking the Liquor in Shore He brought it down to my Boat at the north End of Island I didnt know what to think when I saw Him with it I said what you got He didnt answer it was leaking I got out of my Boat and Smeled of it I said it is Alcohol and said You cant take it in my Boat.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
JAN 28 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

FIRST DISTRICT

Great Duck Island
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Jan 22, 1929.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: in answer to yr. will say I found the Whiskey in the woods and took it to a place at the north End of Island and put it in a safe place so no body would get it and use it or Sell. I dont suppose it was just Right to do that but I did it and no body else knew about it. But I would told mr Higgins about it later he would get it all. no Liquor was ever used in my House as far as I know and never will by it. I know of no Liquor ever hid on this Station as far as I know. I dont use Liquor dont Sell it nor dont give it away I found 48 gallons last fall for the Officers and this lot would just the same been

Yours Truly. M D. Gott ist asst.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
JAN 28 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE

FIRST DISTRICT

Great Duck Island
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Jan 22, 1929

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: Then I said Yes put it in I will take it in to Mr Higgins he is Custom House Officer at South West Harbor me as He had Told me before If I run across a Small lot I could Dump it or Bring it in so I thought what He said would be all Right This is what I understood him to say

P.S. also 2 qts of whiskey

Yours Truly
M D Gatt in asst

CF 9279

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE

PORTLAND, ME.

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
JAN 21 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

January 19, 1929

Capt. C. E. Sherman, Supt.,
First U. S. Lighthouse District,
Portland, Maine.

Sir:

With reference to seizures made from Montell Gott of the Great Duck Island Light Station, I beg to advise you that Gott was taken before the U. S. Commissioner and bound over in bail of $500.00 for the June term of the U. S. Court at Bangor.

This term of Court opens the First Tuesday in June.

I trust that this is the information which you requested in order to have a replacement for Gott at the time he has to go to Court.

Respectfully,

F. M. HUME,
Collector.

GFB

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SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
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PORTLAND, MAINE.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COLLECTOR

Bar Harbor, Maine,
January 11, 1929.

Capt. A. Sherman,
Supt. Lighthouse Service,
Portland, Maine.

MEMO BY SUPT:
In telephone conversation with Mr. Gott upon enquiry as to his arrest, he denied that he had been arrested.

A. Sherman
Superintendent.

Dear Sir:-

On Jan. 8th, 1929 I arrested Montell D. Gott, Asst. Light Keeper, at Duck Island on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor and took him before U.S. Commissioner Locke in Augusta who held him under $500. bonds for the June term of the U.S. District court.

I understand that it was not clear to you whether or not Gott had been placed under arrest and I am sending this for your information.

Respectfully
L. E. Perry
Customs Patrol Inspector.

Copy to Supt @ Wash'n /N

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
JAN 10 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

FIRST DISTRICT

Great Duck Island
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Jan 7th, 1929

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: An Jan. 1st 1929, a man by the name off Mr. Andrews, visit this station at the 1st asst. Mr. M. D. Gotts, house. He some Mr. Andrews was on here with a woman, when the last liquor was found on here. He made remarks to the 2nd asst. Mr. Stanley, if he found any he would hide it, and come after it this winter. So when he arrived here, this made me think he arrived to carry out some off the statements he made. and I kept a close watch on him, Thinking he might have hid it on Government property. I saw no liquor, But on Jan 4th when I went to call Mr. Gott at 10 P. M. I smelled liquor in the kitchen where Mr. Andrews was sitting. Then my mind was fully made up there was liquor on this Island. and as they were planning to leave next day, I made up my mind they would not take liquor off this Island and get away with it. as I took it to —

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir:

come under the head off my duty. Mr. Gatt brought his boat from the Eastern boat house to the Western boat house slip, before dinner. When he come up to the house Mr. Andrews was not around. He said he was around the Island some where. and that he wished he would hurry up and come down as it was a good chance to get started. When he did come back from around the Island, they did not seem to be in any hurry, but done lots of Talking. and that made me think something wrong. as it was getting late, and they were going in a sea boat. and the Radio spoke off a blowing South East gale. and I informed them off it. When they did get ready to leave, Mr. Gatt put what he was going to take from station in his sea boat. Then he asked Mr. Andrews iff he was going to get in on the western boat slip with him or walk

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: up to the North end. He told him he would walk, and be there the time he was. This also gave me a stronger reason to believe there was something wrong. as it was smooth as a house floor at the Western slip. and as there was nothing I could see for Mr. Gatt to run away around to the north end off the Island for- if there was not something wrong and something he was hiding that he did not want me to know. But I made up my mind I was going to. So Mr. Stanley saw Mr. Gatt off the slip. and Mr. andrews come in a told my wife to call up and tell his daughter he was on his way in, I was in the house at the same time, He also said not to call until 3.15 P. M. Then he said good by. Then started for the North. When he got out off sight. I started. When Mr. andrews arrived at the north end comp. and Mr. Gatt arriving some

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: time. I was close by, in a tree where I could see all there was going on. Mr. Gott landed on one side off the ledge, getting out and walking up to the comp. Then started back to his boat. Mr. andrews behind. With a bag in his hand, that looked like a case off liquor. He walked part way to the boat, and set it down and rested. Then started along and put bag in the boat. Mr. andrews then walked back toward the comp. While Mr. Gott raved around where he allways hauls up his boat. Then Mr. Gott also came up to the comp, went in and came right out again. Then he and Mr. andrews went to the boat. and put up the sail and started away from the Island. I lost no time in getting back to the station, calling the offic about it. Then I was advised to telephone custom house officer, Mr. Howe Higgins. Wich I did

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: Stateing to him what I saw, and what I thought was liquor. giving him the time they left. He then called me later telling me he had my 1st asst. Mr. Gott and Mr. Andrews and found in there possession a case off alchol and Two qts. off whiskey. I then natified the Superintendent to this report. On Jan. 7th I carried out your instructions to search Mr. Gotts' house with Mr. Stanley. But found no liquor. I then went up to where Mr. Gott has things stored, and in his box I found one qt. off whiskey almost full. I then brought it to my house and marked it and put it under lock and key, as you instructed me to. To night Jan. 9th Mr. Perry off the coast patrol telephoned me. Stateing he had called upon Mr. gott, and took possion off his boat. He also said Mr. gott told him there was sixteen qts. up under an old root off a tree. near North gulch.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
JAN 10 1929
PORTLAND, MAINE.

FIRST DISTRICT

(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: asked me if I would look around the first thing in the morning, said he was afraid some one would be out and get it before he could get here. Wich I did, with my wife and Mr. Stanley's wife and boy. But it was not as he directed Mr. Perry it was, We located one boy full under a clump off small tree's that was some distances from where Mr. Gott said. and we did not get all was there, that he said, unless this was an - other lot different from the one he spoke about. I brought some to station as was instructed and put it under lock and key. officers arrived at station Jan. 8th 1929 took all stuff that was found. and gave me receipt for same.

R. W. Tanner.
Keeper.
Great Duck Island

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES
FIRST DISTRICT,
AUG 1 - 1928
PORTLAND, MAINE.

July 1, 1928.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Chief, Bureau of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Welch Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 1, 1928.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1380

To: $1440

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Form A-21

COMM. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
JUL 13 1925
PORTLAND, MAINE.

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

Mr. Montell D. Gott, June 25, 1925.

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1320 per annum to $ 1380 per annum, effective July 1, 1925.

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,

WM. J. GARDNER.

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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JUL 13 1925
Received and Forwarded
Superintendent

Enf'd

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

LIGHTHOUSES
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SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
FEB 5 1925
PORTLAND, MAINE.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Sir:

In connection with the readjustment of pay of positions in the Lighthouse Service the total compensation of the position occupied by you has been fixed as indicated below, effective February 1, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper

Salary: $1320

Appropriations: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.

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Form A-21

SUPT. of LIGHTHOUSES,
FIRST DISTRICT,
AUG 18 1923
PORTLAND, MAINE.
LIGHTHOUSES
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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 15, 1923.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 780 per annum to $ 840 per annum, effective September 1, 1923, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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.

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From 2d asst, Great Duck Island
To. 1st " " " "

Eff. 9/1/23

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS--LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1921 SEP 8 AM 9 10

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

Supt. of LIGHTHOUSES 1st DIST. PORTLAND, MAINE. SEP 10 1921

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September 3, 1921.

r. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $720 per annum to $780 per annum, effective September 18, 1921 or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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,

Eff. 9/27/21

(SIGNED) H. M. CROSS
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

1st District
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Form 73a

GFL

REPORT OF TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE ~~INSPECTOR~~ Supt., First DISTRICT.

Portland, Maine, October 29th, 1920.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following-named employee will be transferred as indicated, and will enter upon duty at his new station on or about November 1st, 1920.

Name, Montell D. Gott

Position, Keeper at $720 per annum

From Additional Keeper

To 3rd Asst. Keeper Matinicus Rock L.S., Me.

Previous incumbent, Arthur J. Beal

Services terminated, about October 31, 1920

Reason, To be promoted 2nd Asst.

C. E. GERRISH

Superintendent.

Portland, Maine, November 24th, 1920.

The above-referred-to transfer became effective beginning with November 19th, 1920.

for and in the absence of the Superintendent

Assistant Superintendent.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information.

Acting Commissioner.

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Form 206 FILE No. 8

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF LIGHT KEEPER OR ASSISTANT LIGHT KEEPER

GFL

IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL RELIEF BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Supt., 1st DISTRICT,

PLACE, Portland, Maine

DATE, October 8th, 1920.

To the MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE,
U. S. Public Health Service,
Dr. F. B. Adams, A. A.Surgeon,
Rockland, Maine.

SIR:

Please examine Montell D. Gott, Assistant Keeper

nativity, American; age, 39; height, 5 feet, 8 inches;

weight, 167 pounds; color of hair, -----; color of eyes, -----

distinguishing marks, -----

as to eyesight, hearing, and physical condition.

When the examination has been completed the findings should be recorded on this blank and the blank returned to the applicant.

Respectfully,

C. M. Newman
Supt. of Lighthouses. ~~Lighthouse Inspector~~

(Signature of applicant:)_____

(To be signed in the presence of the officer issuing this blank or witnessed by a designated employee of the Lighthouse Service.)

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, Rockland, Maine

DATE, Oct. 13, 1920

To Supt. of Lighthouses:
~~Lighthouse Inspector~~

SIR: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of Montell D. Gott, and find him physically {~~disqualified~~ / qualified*} in accordance with rules approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce, respecting the treatment by the Public Health Service of light keepers and assistant light keepers of the Lighthouse Service pursuant to the Act of Congress approved August 28, 1916.

He is disqualified for the reasons shown on page 3.

(Signed) F. B. Adams

A. A. *Surgeon, U. S. Public Health Service.*

* If qualified, strike out the word "disqualified" and the paragraph following.

11—5999

REPORT OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, Rockland, Maine.

DATE, Oct. 13, 1920

Name of applicant, Montell D. Gott

Eyes: Color, Grey; exophthalmus, No

chronic inflammation, No.; other anbormality, No

Eyelids: Ptosis, No; condition of conjunctiva on eversion, Normal

other conditions, None

Eyesight:

Vision of right eye, without glasses, 20/20; with glasses,

Vision of left eye, without glasses, 20/20; with glasses,

Is applicant partially or wholly color-blind? No

If color-blind, state which color he confuses

Were candidate's eyes tested with lantern, woolen skeins, or both? Woolen skeins

Ears:

Abnormalities, None; shape, Normal

Position, Normal; condition of drums Normal

Evidence of mastoid disease, No

Hearing: (When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard: Right ear, 40 feet; left ear, 40 feet.

Distance whispered speech can be heard: Right ear, 15 feet; left ear, 15 feet.

Lungs: Normal

Heart: Normal

Defects noted which, in the opinion of the medical examiner, will not materially interfere with the discharge of the duties of light keeper or assistant light keeper:

None

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHTHOUSES
1920 AUG 27 PM 3 10
August 20, 1920.

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rM Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No.) issued by the Secretary of the First Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Nathaniel S. Alley.

Legal Residence: Maine.
1st district

(See reverse side.)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

This form shall be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty.

The information called for in Part I shall be filled in by the Bureau or Office to which the employee is assigned, after which the form shall be transmitted to the employee for answers to the questions in Part II. The completed form shall be indorsed by the proper Bureau officer and forwarded to the Department for file.

PART I.

1. Name of employee: Montell D. Gott

2. Position to which appointed: Keeper (For duty as Additional Keeper)

3. Bureau or Service: Lighthouse, District: First

4. Place of duty: General duty
(City, town, station, or vessel.)

5. Salary: $720 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

7. Manner of appointment. (Examples: "From stenographer and typewriter examination, ———, 19—;" "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known).

C. S. Examination Asst. Light Keeper (Form 1025) July 9th, 1920.

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

The statement should be signed by the employee, or, if unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.

1. What is your full name? (State whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs., and spell out names in full, including middle name or names. Example: "Mr. John Richard Roe." If name itself is merely a letter, so state.)

Mr. Montell Dorr Gott

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (This should agree with signature to your oath of office.)

Montell D. Gott

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

Maine (State or Territory.) Hancock (Gotts Island, Maine) (County.) Tremont (City or town.) Third (Congressional district.)

4. If the legal residence given in answer to question 3 is not the same as that stated in the certificate of appointment, the difference should be explained.

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

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6. Where were you born? Gotts Island, Maine

7. When were you born? July (Month.) 15 (Day.) 1881 (Year.)

8. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out

9. What is your marital condition? (Answer "single," "married," "widowed," or "divorced.") Married

10. Give name and address of person whom you would like to have notified in case of accident.

Berlin A. Gott (Name.) Gotts Island, Maine (Number and street.)

(City or town.) (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes. If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Berlin A. Gott	Gotts Island / Me.	Position U. S. Mail / Department or office	Brother	Married
		Position / Department or office		
		Position / Department or office		

12. Have you any physical disabilities? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, describe fully. (If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

13. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.

14. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

15. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States other than during war time, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

16. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
Commerce	Lighthouse	2nd Assistant	$780(last)	May 1st, 1918	Nov. 30th, 1918

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17. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service.	Relationship to you.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

18. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States 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 indicated in answer to questions 13, 14, 15, and 16.)

Steamboating mostly

19. What education have you received? (State the grades of schools you have attended, and, if 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., 1910; Columbia University, LL. B., 1913.)

Common School

20. What special qualifications have you—educational, professional, technical, mechanical, etc.? (Examples: Qualified as "Lawyer," or "Civil engineer," or "Translator," or "Interpreter," or "Stenographer," or "Draftsman," or "Carpenter.")

Can paint and carpenter some.

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

None

22. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes. If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.

Date, Aug. 27, 1920

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) Montell D. Gott

(Present address) Wood Island Lt. Sta.
(Number and street.)

Biddeford Pool (City or town.) Maine (State or Territory.)

INDORSEMENT.

(If appointee is to be employed in the field, this form should be reviewed and approved by the proper field officer and need not be signed by an official of the Bureau. If appointee is to serve in the District of Columbia, the form should be reviewed and approved by the proper Bureau officer. When forwarding this form, no letter of transmittal is required.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded September 7th, 1920.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

(Signature) James C. Woolley

(Official title) Chief Clerk, First Lighthouse District.

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I acknowledge receipt of a copy of Department Circular No. 253 (second edition), of September 22, 1914, relating to political activity of officeholders, and fully understand its purport.

Montell D. Gott
(Name.)

Additional Keeper
(Position.)

Lighthouse Service.
(Bureau, Office, or Service.)

Supt. of LIGHTHOUSES 1st DIST. PORTLAND, MAINE. SEP 1 1920

Date, Aug 27. 1920

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(This acknowledgment should be forwarded to, and filed in, the bureau or office to which appointee is assigned.)

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Se[redacted] 1757, Revised Statutes)

COPY

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Montell D. Gott,

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.

Montell D. Gott
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 18th day of November, A. D. 1918.

(Affix official seal here)

SEAL HERE.

[4] (*Name*) Lowell A. Bunker

(*Official title*) Notary Public.

My commission expires December 19th, 1919.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$780. per annum	Great Duck Island Light Sta., Me.
Former [5] Second Asst. Kpr.	$456. per annum	Same as above.

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, First District

Portland, Maine, (Address), November 20th, 1918. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on November 1st, 1918. (Date)

C.E. Sherman Superintendent.
(Signature, followed by title)

[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, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has 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, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of lighthouse inspectors and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.

[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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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT HOUSES NOV 8 1918

NOV 8 1918 2 39 P.M.

November 4, 1918.

Mr. Montell D. Gost,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

Dept. of LIGHTHOUSES 1st DIST. PORTLAND, MAINE.

NOV 12 1918

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 Lighthouse Service in the Seven Hundred and Eighty at a salary of dollars per annum, effective November 1, 1918.

By promotion from second assistant keeper at $456 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: New position. (By increase in compensation.)

Legal Residence: Maine.

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Form 93 CES*GFL

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, **First** DISTRICT,

Portland, Maine, October 30th, 1918.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, **Montell D.Gott** Position, **Second Assistant Keeper.**

Legal residence, **Maine** Station, **Great Duck Island Lt. Sta.**

Salary, **$456. per ~~per~~ annum.**

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of **November 30th, 1918.**

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

Remarks:

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

11—4623

Form 93 GFL

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, First DISTRICT,

Portland, Maine, October 22nd, 1918.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Montell D. Gott Position, Second Assistant Keeper.

Legal residence, Maine Station, Great Duck Island Light Station, Me.

Salary, $456.00 per annum.

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of November 30th, 1918.

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

Remarks:

Note:- This resignation was held up at the request of Mr. Gott, who called the office on the 22nd of October at about 5 P. M. and stated that he had reconsidered and desired his resignation held up. Was instructed that same would be done, and that he should confirm his request in writing. Resignation had not been mailed.

Geo.

For and in the absence of the Supt.:

Luther P

Asst. Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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(COPY)

REC'D. 7:40 AM. OCT. 22, 1918.

COPY

Great Duck Island Lt. Sta.

Oct. 19, 1918.

Mr. Shurman, Supt. Light House Service,

Dear Sir:

This is to notify you that I want to be done with the Light House Survice on the date of Nov 30, 1918 and want to leave on Dec ist if weather is so I can.

my wife will not stay here and I am not contented here, so will be done as I have said.

Yours Verry Truly,

2nd Assistant Keeper

Montell D. Gott

Great Duck Island Lt. Sta.

via. McKinley

Maine.

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Form 206

FILE NO. 8

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF LIGHT KEEPER OR ASSISTANT LIGHT KEEPER

IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL RELIEF BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, First DISTRICT,

PLACE, Portland, Maine,

DATE, April 15th, 1918.

To the MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE,
U. S. Public Health Service,

W C Mason, A A Surgeon, Bangor, Maine.

SIR:

Please examine Montell D. Gott

nativity, American; age, 36; height, 5 feet, 8½ inches;

weight, 160 pounds; color of hair, ; color of eyes,

distinguishing marks,

as to eyesight, hearing, and physical condition.

When the examination has been completed the findings should be recorded on this blank and the blank returned to the applicant.

Respectfully,

Lighthouse Inspector.

*(Signature of applicant:) (Not signed by principal).

(To be signed in the presence of the officer issuing this blank or witnessed by a designated employee of the Lighthouse Service.)

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, Bangor, Me.,

DATE, July 27, 1918.

To LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR,

SIR: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of Montell D. Gott, and find him physically { ~~disqualified~~ / qualified* } in accordance with rules approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce, respecting the treatment by the Public Health Service of light keepers and assistant light keepers of the Lighthouse Service pursuant to the Act of Congress approved August 28, 1916.

~~He is disqualified for the reasons shown on page 3.~~

William C. Mason,

Actg. Asst. *Surgeon, U. S. Public Health Service.*

* If qualified, strike out the word "disqualified" and the paragraph following.

11—5999

REPORT OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, Bangor, Me.,

DATE, July 27, 191 8.

Name of applicant, Montell D. Gott

Eyes: Color, Grayish; exophthalmus, No.

chronic inflammation, No.; other anbormality, None.

Eyelids: Ptosis, No.; condition of conjunctiva on eversion, Normal

other conditions, -----

Eyesight:

Vision of right eye, without glasses, 20/20; with glasses, -----

Vision of left eye, without glasses, 20/20; with glasses, -----

Is applicant partially or wholly color-blind? No.

If color-blind, state which color he confuses --

Were candidate's eyes tested with lantern, woolen skeins, or both? Skeins only.

Ears:

Abnormalities, None.; shape, Normal.

Position, Normal; condition of drums Normal

Evidence of mastoid disease, No.

Hearing: (When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard: Right ear, 20 x feet; left ear, 20 x feet.

Distance whispered speech can be heard: Right ear, 15 x feet; left ear, 15 x feet.

Lungs: Normal

Heart: Normal

Defects noted which, in the opinion of the medical examiner, will not materially interfere with the discharge of the duties of light keeper or assistant light keeper:

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT APR 8 1918 HOUSES

April 6, 1918.

1st DIST. LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR APR 8 1918 2 50 PM PORTLAND, MAINE.

APR 11 1918

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. - - -) issued by the local Civil Service Board for the First Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Myrick R. Morrison.

Legal Residence: Maine.

(See reverse side.)

(C O P Y - GFL)

COPY

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

MARCH 5, 1913.

To the CHIEFS OF BUREAUS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE:

For the purpose of enabling the Department to maintain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are requested to have every person hereafter appointed or employed in your Bureau, immediately upon his entrance on duty, answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. The information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved in accordance with instructions. The information in Part II should be supplied as indicated and the form forwarded to the Department.

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

PART I.

(Part I should be filled out 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 should 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? (State whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs. and spell out names in full, including middle name or names. Example: Mr. John Richard Roe. If name itself is merely a letter, it should be so stated.)

Montell Dorr Gott

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? **(This should agree with signature to your oath of office.)** Montell D. Gott

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

Tremont	Maine	Hancock	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? Gott Island (Tremont) Maine

6. When were you born? July 15th Fifteenth 1881
Month. Day. Year.

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7. Give name and address of person whom you would like to have notified in case of accident.

Name.	Number and street.
Berlin A. Gott	Gotts Island
City or town.	**State or Territory.**
Tremont	Maine

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? Yes

(If answer is "Yes," give in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.)

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
Berlin A. Gott	Brother	Postal	U. S. Mail Carrier	

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

On probation for a period not to exceed six months.

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

No. No.

11. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (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.)

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
	No.				

12. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.)

No.

13. 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.)

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
	No.		

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

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
	No.		

15. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No. (If answer is "yes," give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Relationship (widow or orphan) .....

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service .....

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

16. 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 indicated in answer to questions 11, 12, 13, and 14.)

Fisherman

17. 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.)

Common schools of my town.

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

None.

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

~~None~~ C. S. Exam. for Asst. Lt. Keeper Oct. 20, 1917.

20. 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.)

Lowell A. Bunker, McKinley, Maine.

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. April 15th, 1918.

Witness:

In case signature is by mark.

(Signature) Montell D. Gott

P. O. Address: Gotts Island
City or town.

Number and street.

Maine
State or Territory.

(Where the appointee is to be employed outside of the District of Columbia the information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer in immediate charge before forwarding to the Bureau. Where he is to be employed in the District of Columbia, Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer who executes Part II.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded May 8th, 1918.

(Signature) C. E. Sherman

(Official title) Inspector First L. H. District.

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PART II.

(Part II should be executed by the executive officer of the Bureau of the Department to which the employee is assigned or by some authorized 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 foregoing questions is employed:

Lighthouse Service (Bureau or Service.) Great Duck Island Light Station (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) First (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? Second Assistant Keeper

3. State the date of appointment. April 6th, 1918.

4. State the date the appointment was effective. (If appointment was made to take effect on date of oath, so state.)

Entrance upon duty.

5. State the date of the oath. April 15th, 1918.

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. May 1st, 1918.

7. What is his salary? $456. per annum.

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.

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

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

11. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination;" or "without examination;" or "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Non-educational examination, Asst. Light Keeper.

12. Is the employee required to give bond? No.

13. When the legal residence given in answer to question 3, Part I, differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

Same as given in certificate of appointment.

14. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out. -------

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) C. E. Sherman

(Official title) Inspector First Lighthouse District.

Date: May 8th, 1918., 191

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I acknowledge receipt of a copy of Department Circular No. 253 (second edition), of September 22, 1914, relating to political activity of officeholders, and fully understand its purport.

Montell D. Gatt.
(Name.)

Second Assistant Keeper
(Position.)

Great Duck Island Light Station.
(Bureau, Office, or Service.)

Date, April 15th 1918

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(This acknowledgment should be forwarded to, and filed in, the bureau or office to which appointee is assigned.)



RG:EMF

February 21, 1928.

Spiegel May Stern Co.,
1061-1101 35th Street,
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:

1. In further reference to your letter of December 30, regarding the indebtedness of Mr. Montell D. Gott, a lighthouse keeper in this Service:

2. This matter has been taken up with Mr. Gott, and he states he is providing for this matter monthly and that he expects to pay the balance due in March.

Respectfully,

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Copy to 1st Supt.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
PORTLAND, ME.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

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LIGHTHOUSES
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Airways
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Law & Prep.
Adm. Assist.
Dep. Commr.
Commissioner.

January 18, 1928

M. D. Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper,
Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Me.
(Through Keeper)

1. There has been forwarded to this office by the Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., a letter of Spiegel, May, Stern Company of Chicago, Ill., claiming payment of an account owed them by you. The nature and amount of this account is not given in the Company's letter.

2. You are requested to state whether or not this account is a just and legal debt and if so what steps you propose to take towards its settlement. A prompt reply is requested. In your letter state the amount claimed and for what purpose.

3. See Article 119, Instructions to Employees, etc., 1927.

Sherman

SHERMAN
Superintendent

1st End.

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Enclosures

Office of Superintendent, 1st District,
Portland, Maine, February 16, 1928.

1. Copy to Bureau of Lighthouses, with all enclosures.

2. Mr. Gott states in his letter of 11th instant that the above account is being paid monthly at dealer's own request and that the balance, $6.95, will be paid in March.

C. E. Sherman

C. E. SHERMAN
Superintendent

JMW

Paid

RG-EK
Incl.

January 16, 1928.

Spiegel, May Stern Co.,
1061-1101- 35h Street,
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:

1. Your letter dated December 30, 1927, addressed to the Navy Department, this city, relative to Lighthouse Keeper D. Gott (Montell), McKinley, Maine, has been referred to this office.

2. You are respectfully informed that this matter is under consideration and you will be further advised in regard thereto at an early date. The envelope inclosed with you letter is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

I. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

In reply address not the signer of this letter, but Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department, Washington, D. C.
Refer to No.

Nav-642-10

DEPT. of LIGHTHOUSES, FIRST DISTRICT, JAN 18 1928 PORTLAND, MAINE.

NAVY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF NAVIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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LIGHTHOUSES 1928 JAN 9 PM

7 January 1928

SUBJECT: COTT, Montell D. (Lighthouse keeper), Indebtedness of.

Sir;

The attached letter from Spiegel, May, Stern Company of Chicago, Illinois, dated 30 December 1927, is forwarded for your consideration as a matter coming under the cognizance of your office.

The Spiegel, May Stern Company has been informed of this reference.

Respectfully,

R. H. LEIGH,
Chief of Bureau.

C. B. Hatch,
By direction.

Enclosures

Rec'd back to 1st for report
Rec'd 1/10

Chief Asst. Supt. Asst. Supt. Chief Clerk 2nd Clerk 3rd Clerk 4th Clerk Messenger

Airways Surveys Lighting Radio Weather Clerical Chief Engr. Hydro. Radio Engr. Const. Mar. Engr. Personnel Finance Law & Prop. Adm. Assist. Dep. Commr. Commissioner.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
January 16, 1928.

To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Portland, Maine.

Remark and return. Attached is letter of December 30, 1927, from Spiegel May Stern Co.

J. L. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Department of Commerce,
Washington, D. C.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

SPIEGEL, MAY, STERN CO.

1061-1101 35TH. STREET.

CHICAGO,

12-30-27 A

Secretary of Navy,
Washington, D C.

Montell D. Gott
Mc Kinley, Maine
(Light house keeper)

Feeling that the interests of honesty warrant us doing so, we are respectfully bringing this matter to your attention. We sold and delivered merchandise to the above named party who claimed at the time to be regularly employed by you.

This party has ignored payment of this just indebtedness to us, and therefore, unless we hear favorably within the course of the next few days we shall be obliged to proceed in strict accordance with the law.

Understand, we do not desire to convey the impression that we look to you to help us out in this instance, but we thought you would probably lend us your assistance, by talking to the person, advising it would be better to pay than to let it go by default.

We can assure you that your kind indulgence in this matter will be greatly appreciated by us, and you can also do the party a service who is undoubtedly aware of the fact that the goods were purchased from us under a conditional sales contract, which permits us to proceed against him legally in such a manner as would be detrimental to his interests.

Trusting to hear favorably in the enclosed stamped addressed envelope and thanking you in advance for your kind indulgence in the matter, we are,

Very truly yours,

SPIEGEL MAY STERN CO.

Enc. Stampd Env.
Dict. J.M.F.

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

LIGHT
APR 8 1918
HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 6, 1918.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter - - - upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. - - -) issued by the local Civil Service Board for the First Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

M
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Myrick R. Morrison.

Legal Residence: Maine.

(See reverse side.)

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, First DISTRICT,

Portland, Maine (City.), April 1st (Date.), 1918.

RECEIVED APR 2 1918 First C. S. Dist.
APR 5 1918 LIGHTHOUSES

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT.

Name, Montell D. Gott — Legal residence, Maine.

Position, Second Assistant Keeper — Salary, $456. per annum.

Location, Great Duck Island Light Station, Me. — Appropriation, Sals., Kprs., etc.

Effective May 1st, 1918, {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, New appointee. — Former salary, -----

Location, ----------

Asst.

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 91.40, Other eligibles considered: Ralph J. Frye (D); Morris A. Alley (D); Thomas H. Morgan (C); Eben A. Elwell (C). Mr. Frye is now in the Naval Reserve Force so could not accept the position, according to statement of his mother sent back with Notice to Eligibles.

Previous incumbent, Myrick R. Morrison Services terminated, April 30th, 1918.

Reason, Promoted to First Assistant in place of Mr. Austin L. Sinnett, resigned.

Members of family in Government Service, Married brother is letter carrier in home town.

Remarks:

Quarters are provided for families of keepers.

Hydrog.
Engr. Corps.
~~Personnel~~
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Commr.
Commr.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, APR 4 - 1918 191

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

B. L. Dalrymple — Secretary, 1st Civil Service District.

Luther — Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON APR 6 1918

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Montell D. Gott (Name) — Maine (Legal Residence)

STATUS

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DESIGNATION	ACTION	SALARY	BUREAU—SERVICE—STATION	DATE OF EFFECT
2d A K	Prob	456	L H Great Duck Isl L S. Me.	May 1, 1918
Keeper	Prom	780	" "	Nov. 1, 1918
	RESIGNED CLOSE OF Nov. 30, 1918			
"	Prob.	720	L H - 1st Dist - At Large	Sept 4, 1920
"	Trans	"	" Matinicus Rock L S. Me.	"
"	"	780	" Gt. Duck Isl L S. Me.	Sept 27, 1921
"	Prom	840	" "	Sept. 1, 1923
"	Read of Pay	1080	" "	July 1, 1924
"	" "	1320	" "	Feb. 1, 1925
"	INCREASE IN COMPENSATION	1380	" "	July 1, 1925
"	COMPENSATION Act. May 28, 1928.	1440	" "	JUL 1 1928
	Dismissed - Close Feb. 28, 1929.			

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

February 25, 1929

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Reference being made to Departmental letter of dismissal dated February 19, 1929, in the case of Mr. Montell D Gott, 1st Assistant Keeper, Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine.

2. The effective date of this dismissal is at close of business February 28, 1929.

SHERMAN
Superintendent

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
MAR 2 - 1929

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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CARD

February 19, 1929.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,
Throught the Commissioner of Dighthouses.

Sir:

Charges of insubordination and improper conduct having been preferred against you and substantiated in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department,upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has dismissed you from the position of Keeper at $1440 per annum of Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, effective at the close of business on a date to be later determined and reported to the Department.

FEB 20 1929

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully, ALM. J. GARDNER

Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
FEB 9 1929
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

February 8, 1929.

Memorandum for Mr. Libbey

The attached recommendation for the dismissal of Montell D. Gott, first assistant keeper of Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, is made by reason of the fact that, having knowledge of the presence of hidden liquor on the island on which the station is located, he failed to report the fact to the principal keeper or other Government officials, and proceeded without authority to remove the liquor from the island, transporting it in his boat to the shore, where it was taken in charge by Government officers. As a result of these acts, he was charged with insubordination and improper conduct by the Superintendent of the First District. The charges are considered sufficient to warrant the action recommended by the Bureau.

Chief of Appointment Division.

Enclosure
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

Jan. 28, 1929

CHIEF CLERK
1929 FEB 4 AM 11 16

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

SUBJECT: Montell D. Gott, charges against.

1. Herewith are charges preferred against Montell D. Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper, Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, his answer thereto, and letters of his principal keeper and Customs authorities, upon which these charges were based.

2. Findings

Charge I Guilty
" II Not proven
" III Guilty

3. Recommendation

For the reasons stated in Charges I and III it is respectfully recommended that Montell D. Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper, Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine, be dismissed from the service effective at the close of a date to be later determined and reported to the Department.

4. Mr. Gott has taken 4 days 17 hours leave in excess of his annual allowance, and this, with any additional excess leave taken, will be deducted from his pay in the event of his separation from the service as above recommended.

5. Section 2 of Civil Service Rule I, relative to political or religious opinion or affiliations will not be violated by the action recommended.

Sherman
SHERMAN
Superintendent.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
FEB 19 1929
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
FEB 2 1929

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Action O. K. Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval

Chief Clerk

F. P. Dillon
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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PORTLAND, ME.

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

CES:CP

REGISTERED MAIL: DIRECT

January 21, 1929

Mr. Montell D Gott, 1st Asst. Keeper,
Great Duck Island Lighthouse, Maine.

1. The following charges are preferred against you;

CHARGES

I. Insubordination
II. Improper use of keeper's dwelling
III. Improper conduct.

SPECIFICATIONS

I. That having knowledge of the presence of hidden liquor on Great Duck Island on which your station is located, you failed to report the fact to your principal keeper; to the nearest Deputy Collector of Customs, or to your Superintendent, but did, with the assistance of one Andrews, proceed on or about January 5, 1929 to remove said hidden liquor from the island; this in violation of Article 10 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927", in which you are required to conduct matters of official business through your immediate superior.

II. That on or about January 4, 1929 you did harbor one Andrews in your station quarters for one or more days for the purpose of conspiring with him to remove certain hidden liquor from the island on which your station is located to the shore; this in violation of Article 168 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927", which forbids the use of a light keeper's dwelling for an improper purpose.

III. That on or about January 5, 1929, you did, without authority, illegally transport a quantity of liquor in your boat from Great Duck Island to the shore where said liquor was taken in charge by Government officers and your boat taken over by them; thus bringing the Lighthouse Service into disrepute in violation of Article 6 of "Instructions to Employees, 1927".

2. In accordance with Article 91 of "Instructions to Employees of the Lighthouse Service, 1927", you will within three (3) days from receipt of these charges submit such statements as you desire to make in answer thereto. If you desire to make no statements, you will so report in writing.

Sherman

SHERMAN
Superintendent

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TRUE COPY -JJ

Great Duck Island Lt.Sta.
Jan. 22, 1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Portland, Maine

Sir:

In answer to your letter which my wife Red over Telephone to me today will say about Mr. Andrews Stoping with me. I did not know that He was after Liquor if I had know it He would never come at my House and Stoped. He had been out here 3 or 4 times in the past and maid a visit and nothing was thought of it and This time was the same as far as I knew. about Takeing the Liquor in Shore He brought it down to my Boat at the North End of Island I didnt know what to Think when I saw Him with it I said what you got He didnt answer. it was leaking. I got out of my Boat and Smeled of it I said it is Alcohol and said you cant take it in my Boat. Then I said yes put it in I will take it in to Mr. Higgins. he is Custom House Officer at South West Harbor, Me.as He had Told me before If I run across a Small lot I could Dump it or Bring it in so I thought what He said would be all Right. This is what I understood him to say.

P.S. also 2 qts. of whiskey.

Yours Truly
(sgd) M D Gott 1st Asst.

In answer to 91 will say I found Whiskey in The Woods and took it to a place at the North End of Island and put it in a safe place so no body would get it and use it or Sell. I dont suppose it was just Right to do that but I did it and no body else knew about it. But I would Told Mr.Higgins about it later he would got it all. no Liquor was ever used in my House as far as I know and never will by if I know it. no Liquor ever hid on this Station as far as I know. I dont use Liquor dont Sell it nor dont give it away. I found 48 gallons last fall for the Officers and this lot would been just be same.

Yours Truly
(sgd) M D Gott 1st Asst.

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LIGHTHOUSES
1929 JAN 31 AM 9 15

Great Duck Island
Jan. 7th 1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Portland, Maine.

Sir: On Janl 1st, 1929, a man by the name of Mr. Andrews, visit this station of the 1st Asst. Mr. M.D.Gott's house. The same Mr. Andrews was on here with a woman, when the last liquor was found on here. He made remarks to the 2nd Asst. Mr. Stanley, if he found any he would hide it, and come after it,this winter. So when he arrived here, this made me think he arrived to carry out some off the statements he made, and I kept a close watch on him, thinking he might have had it on government property. I saw no liquor, But on Jan.4th when I went to call Mr. Gott at 10 P.M. I smelled liquor in the kitchen where Mr. Andrews was sitting. Then my mind was fully made up there was liquor on this Island and as they were planning to leave next day, I made up my mind they would not take liquor off this Island and get away with it as I took it to come under thehead off my duty. Mr. Gott brought his boat from the Eastern boat house to the Western boat house slip, before dinner. When he came up to the house Mr. Andrews was not around. He said he was around the Island some where and that he wished he would hurry up and come down as it was a good chance to get started. When he did come back from around the Island, they did not seem to be in any hurry, but done lots off talking, and that made me think something wrong as it was getting late, and they were going in a pea pod and the Radio spoke off a heavy South East gale. and I informed them off it. When they did get ready to leave, Mr. Gott put what he was going to take from station in his pea pod. Then he asked Mr. Andrews iff he was going to get in on the western boat slip with him or walk up to the north end. He told him he would walk, and be there the time he was. This also gave me a stronger reason to believe there was something wrong as it was smooth as a house floor at the Western slip and as there was nothing I could see for Mr.Gott to row way around to the north end off the Island for iff there was not something wrong and something he was hiding that he did not want me to know. But I made up my mind I was going to. So. Mr.Stanley saw Mr.Gott off the slip and Mr. Andrews came in a told my wife to call up and tell his daughter he was on his way in, I was in the house at the same time. He also said not to call untill 3.15 P.M. Then he said good by. Then started for the North. When he got out off sight, I started. When Mr. Andrews arrived at the north end camp and Mr. Gott arriving same time. I was close by, in a tree where I could see all there was going on. Mr. Gott landed on one side off the ledge, getting out and walking up to the camp. Then started back to his boat Mr.Andrews behind.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

With a bag in his hand, that looked like a case off liquor. He walked part way to the boat, and set it down and rested. Then started along and put bag in the boat. Mr. Andrews then walked back toward the camp. While Mr. Gott rowed around where he allways hauls up his boat. Then Mr.Gott also came up to the camp, went in and come right out again. Then he and Mr. Andrews went to the boat and put up the sail and started away from the Island. I lost no time in getting back to the station, calling the office about it. Then I was advised to telephone custom house officer, Mr. Howe Higgins wich I did stateing to him what I saw, and what I thought was liquor. giving him the time they left. He then called me later telling me he had my 1st Asst. Mr. Gott and Mr. Andrews and found in there possession a case off alchol and two qts off whiskey. I then notified the Superintendent to this report. On Jan. 7th I carried out your instructions to search Mr. Gott's house with Mr. Stanley. But found no liquor. I then went up to where Mr. Gott has things stored, and in his bag I found one qt. off whiskey almost full. I then brought it to my house and marked it and put it under lock and key, as your instructed me to. Tonight Jan.7th Mr. Perry off the coast patrol telephoned me stateing he had called upon Mr.Gott, and took possion off his boat. He also said Mr.Gott told him there was sixteen qts. up under an old root off a tree.near north gulch. Asked me iff I would look around the first thing in the morning, Said he was afraid some one would be out and get it before he could get here,wich I did, with my wife and Mr. Stanley's wife and boy. But it was not as he directed Mr Perry it was. We located one bag full under a clump off small trees that was some distances from where Mr.Gott said and we did not get all was there that he said, unless this was another lot different from the one he spok about. I brought same to station as was instructed and put it under lock and key. Officers arrived at station Jan. 8th, 1929 Took all stuff that was found and gave me receipt for same.

(sgd) R.W. Powers
Keeper
Great Dusk Island.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT
United States Customs Service.

Office of the Deputy Collector.

LIGHTHOUSES
1929 JAN 31 AM 9 15

Bar Harbor, Maine.

January 11, 1929.

Capt. Sherman,
Supt. Lighthouse Service,
Portland, Maine.

Dear Sir:-

On Jan. 8th, 1929 I arrested Montell D. Gott, Asst. Light keeper, at Duck Island on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor and took him before U. S. Commissioner Locke in Augusta who held him under $500. bonds for the June term of the U. S. District court.

I understand that it was not clear to you whether or not Gott had been placed under arrest and I am sending this for your information.

Respectfully

(Signed) L. J. Perry
Customs Patrol Inspector.

MEMO BY SUPT:

In telephone conversation with Mr. Gott, upon enquiry as to his arrest, he denied that he had been arrested.

Sherman
Superintendent.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Collector of Customs
District No. 1

United State Customs Service

Portland, Maine.

January 19, 1929

LIGHTHOUSES
1929 JAN 31 AM 9 15

Capt. C. E. Sherman, Supt.,
First U. S. Lighthouse District,
Portland, Maine.

Sir:

With reference to seizures made from Montell Gott of the Great Duck Island Light Station, I beg to advise you that Gott was taken before the U. S. Commissioner and bound over in bail of $500.00 for the June term of the U. S. Court at Bangor.

This term of Court opens the First Tuesday in June.

I trust that this is the information which you requested in order to have a replacement for Gott at the time he has to go to Court.

Respectfully,

(Sgd) F. M. Hume
F. M. HUME
Collector.

GFB.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1928.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Chief, Bureau of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Welch Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 1, 1928.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1380

To: $1440

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CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D#1

NAME Gott, Montell D. POSITION Keeper

BUREAU BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES STATION 1st Dist.

CIRCULAR #11----9/15/23

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances			As Classified for estimate purposes			Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates		
			Items	Value	Aggregate	Service	Grade	Pay	Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Subtracted
900	240	1140	XCR	404.25	1544.25	LHS	4	1320	Yes	120	

CIRCULAR #13----11/13/23

approv-$1320

GRADE RECOMMENDED 5

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1200 TO $1440

CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D#1

NAME Gott, Mortell D. POSITION Keeper

BUREAU BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES STATION 1st Dist.

CIRCULAR #11----9/15/23

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances			As Classified for estimate purposes			Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates		
			Items	Value	Aggregate	Service	Grade	Pay	Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Amt. per annum to be Subtracted
780	240	1020	XCR	404.25	1424.25	LHS	3	1200	Yes	120	

CIRCULAR #13----11/13/23

vacant approv-5/200

GRADE RECOMMENDED 5

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1140 TO $1380

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PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 1
(To be filled out in accordance with detailed instruction sheet, Form No. 2)

Sheet No. 35

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DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE			
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1. GOTT (Surname) MONTELL (Given name) D (Initial)
2. Department COMMERCE
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field Service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field Station First Lighthouse District
   (b) Subdivision Great Duck Island Light Station
   (c) City or town _____ State Maine
6. Pay-roll title Light Keeper
7. Customary office title Second Assistant Keeper

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day 16 (average); per week 112
   (b) If this is not a full-time position, state percentage of time employed per day _____; or per week _____
   (c) If night work, wholly or in part, state the hours: From sunset m. to sunrise, daily m.
9. If this is not an all-year-round position, state approximate number of days employed each year _____
   During what months _____
10. If the employee receives compensation from any other branch of the Federal Government, or from any city, county, or State government, state the position held and the compensation _____
11. Present rate of pay, exclusive of bonus $ 780.00 per annum; bonus, $ 240.00 per annum.
12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $ 780.00 per "; bonus, $ 240.00 per annum.
13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate _____
14. Title of appropriation or fund from which basic compensation is paid Salaries of Keepers Lighthouse Service
15. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box any of the following allowances received, in addition to salary or wages: ☒ Quarters; ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; ☒ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; ☒ Fuel; ☒ Light; ☐ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum $164.25 (45¢ per day commutation of rations). Note: Quarters incls. self & family.
16. Indicate what special equipment, if any, the employee is required by law or regulation to furnish at his own expense, and the approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee:
    Kind of equipment Uniform; annual cost, $ 20.00 (estimate)
17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
    (a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☒ 8
    (b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3
    (d) College: Name _____; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (e) Post graduate work: Kind _____; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
    (f) Correspondence courses: Kind _____; number of lessons _____; number completed _____
18. Description of work. (Describe the various tasks performed, making the description of each as detailed as space will permit. Use a paragraph for each task and number the paragraphs. In the column at the right state the estimated percentage of the total time—in the course of a day, month, or year—given to each task.)

Percentage of total time given to each task

1. Care and operation of a 4th order Incandescent Oil Vapor Light and lens revolving clock.
2. Care and operation of a steam fog signal plant.
3. Cleaning and minor repairs of above apparatus.
4. Cleaning, painting and making minor repairs to structures.
5. Care and attention of grounds of station.
6. Observing weather conditions and aids to navigation.

19. Does employee work under immediate supervision, or to a large extent upon his own responsibility? (Describe fully.)

Under immediate supervision of principal keeper with whom the routine duties of the station are jointly divided. In absence of the principal keeper and first assistant keeper must be capable of looking after station. Under extraordinary circumstances, such as the saving of life and property, he is called upon to act on his own responsibility, owing to isolation of station and its exposed locality.

20. Do the duties involve direction or supervision of the work of other employees? No.
If so, describe the nature of the direction or supervision and give the number and classes of employees directed or supervised.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Since November 19, 1920.

22. I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers to the foregoing questions are correct.

MAY 31 1923 (Date), 1923. C R Sherman (Signature of Preparing Officer) Supt. of Lighthouses. (Title)

23. I have read the foregoing and I agree to it except as follows:

(Signature of Employee)

THE FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE HEAD OF THE FIELD OFFICE OR STATION

24. Indicate by an "X" in the proper spaces below the qualifications and personal traits considered important for the satisfactory performance of the duties of this position:

	High Degree	Average	Not Essential
Judgment		X	
Accuracy		X	
Initiative (originality and resourcefulness)	X		
Trustworthiness (dependability)	X		
Speed (quickness)		X	
Physical Qualities (strength and endurance)	X		

EDUCATIONAL TRAINING		
	Essential	Desirable But Not Essential
College		
High School		
Common School		X

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent Boatman, and operation of an IOV light, revolving clock, and steam fog signal plant.

25. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete. In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ 900. to $ 1140., exclusive of allowances mentioned in Question 15.

MAY 31 1923 (Date), 1923. C R Sherman (Signature of head of field office or station) Supt. of Lighthouses (Title)

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PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 4.
To be filled out in accordance with detailed instructions in P. C. B. Form No. 2, and Circular No. 7).

To Accompany Report of { ☐ New Appointments / ☒ Changes in Duties for SEPTEMBER, 1923.

1. GOTT (Surname.) MONTELL (Given name.) D. (Initial.)

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(a) Previous incumbent Frank Faulkingham
2. Department COMMERCE
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field Service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field Station First Lighthouse District
(b) Subdivision Great Duck Island Light Sta.
(c) City or town ____ State Maine
6. Pay-roll title Light Keeper
7. Customary office title First Assistant Keeper

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day 16 (average); per week 112
(b) If this is not a full-time position, state percentage of time employed per day ____; or per week ____
(c) If night work, wholly or in part, state the hours: From sunset m. to sunrise, daily m.
9. If this is not an all-year-round position, state approximate number of days employed each year ____
During what months ____
10. If the employee receives compensation from any other branch of the Federal Government, or from any city, county, or State government, state the position held and the compensation ____
11. Present rate of pay, exclusive of bonus $840.00 per annum; bonus, $240.00 per annum.
12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $780.00 per " ; bonus, $240.00 per annum.
13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate ____
14. Title of appropriation or fund from which basic compensation is paid Salaries of Keepers Lighthouse Service
15. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box any of the following allowances received, in addition to salary or wages: ☒ Quarters; ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; ☒ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; ☒ Fuel; ☒ Light; ☐ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum $164.25 (45¢ per day commutation of rations). Note: Quarters incls. self & family.
16. Indicate what special equipment, if any, the employee is required by law or regulation to furnish at his own expense, and the approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee: Kind of equipment Uniform; annual cost, $20.00 (estimate)
17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
(a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☒ 8
(b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
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(d) College: Name ____; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
(e) Post-graduate work: Kind ____; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
(f) Correspondence courses: Kind ____; number of lessons ____; number completed ____

18. Description of work. (Describe the various tasks performed, making the description of each as detailed as space will permit. Use a paragraph for each task and number the paragraphs. In the column at the right state the estimated percentage of the total time—in the course of a day, month, or year—given to each task.) 2—12965

Percentage of total time given to each task

1. Care and operation of a 4th order Incandescent Oil Vapor Lightand lens revolving clock.
2. Care and operation of a steam fog signal plant.
3. Cleaning and minor repairs of above apparatus.
4. Cleaning, painting and making minor repairs to structures.
5. Care and attention of grounds of station.
6. Observing weather conditions and aids to navigation.

19. Does employee work under immediate supervision, or to a large extent upon his own responsibility? (Describe fully.) Name the employee's *immediate* or closest superior. If not a civilian, give the superior's title and rank.

Under immediate supervision of principal keeper, Mr. Edward A. Howe, with whom the routine duties of the station are jointly divided. In absence of principal keeper, is in full charge of station. Under extraordinary circumstances, such as the saving of life and property, he is called upon to act on his own responsibility, owing to isolation and its exposed locality.

20. Do the duties involve direction or supervision of the work of other employees? See below.
If so, describe the nature of the direction or supervision and give the number and classes of employees directed or supervised.

In absence of principal keeper is in full charge of station.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Since September 1, 1923.

22. I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the answers to the foregoing questions are correct.

October 1, 1923. C E Sherman Supt. of Lighthouses.
(Date) (Signature of Preparing Officer) (Title)

23. I have read the foregoing and I agree to it, except as follows:

(Signature of Employee)

THE FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE HEAD OF THE FIELD OFFICE OR STATION

24. Indicate by an "X" in the proper spaces below the qualifications and personal traits considered important for the satisfactory performance of the duties of this position:

	High Degree	Average	Not Essential
Judgment		X	
Accuracy		X	
Initiative (originality and resourcefulness)	X		
Trustworthiness (dependability)	X		
Speed (quickness)		X	
Physical Qualities (strength and endurance)	X		

EDUCATIONAL TRAINING		
	Essential	Desirable But Not Essential
College		
High School		
Common School		X

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent Boatman, and operation of an IOV light, revolving clock, and steam fog signal plant.

25. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete. In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $900.00 to $1140.00 exclusive of allowances mentioned in Question 15.

October 1, 1923. C E Sherman Supt. of Lighthouses.
(Date) (Signature of head of field office or station) (Title)

THE FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE HEAD OF THE BUREAU OR SIMILAR OFFICIAL

26. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete, except as follows: (If necessary, attach a sheet.)

In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ to $

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(Date) (Signature of chief of bureau) (Title)

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 2—12965

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Sir:

In connection with the readjustment of pay of positions in the Lighthouse Service the total compensation of the position occupied by you has been fixed as indicated below, effective February 1, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED FEB 4 1925 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Position: Keeper

Salary: $1320

Appropriations: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.

CARDED FEB 5 1925

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

Mr. Montell D. Cott, June 25, 1925.

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1320 per annum to $ 1380 per annum, effective July 1, 1925.

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,

EDW. J. GARDNER
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 7 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

(CROSS REFERENCE)

Scott Montell D In accordance with authority of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-adjusted to $ 1080., effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated JUL 1 3 1924 File No. 1095/21.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
PORTLAND, ME.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
IGHTHOUSES

1923 SEP 19 AM 8 55

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
CHIEF CLERK
PORTLAND, ME.

September 17, 1923

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1923 SEP 20 AM 9 52

Commissioner of Lighthouses:-

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
SEP 21 1923
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

1. Referring to Department letter (Form A-21, Notice of change in salary), dated August 15, 1923, whereby salary of Montell D. Gott, Keeper, this district, was changed from $780 to $840 per annum:-

2. The change covered by the above was effected September 1, 1923.

Hydro.
Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
Mar Engr
Accounts.
Contracts.
Clk.
Coms.

SEP 19 1923

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Seaman

Superintendent.

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Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information

U. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 15, 1923.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 780 per annum to $ 840 per annum, effective September 1, 1923, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION
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Form 73 LIGHTHOUSES

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

CHIEF CLERK
1923 AUG 13 PM 2 27

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1923 AUG 13 AM 8 31

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, First DISTRICT,

Portland, Maine (City.), August 11 (Date.), 1923.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, PROMOTION

Name, Montell D. Gott — Legal residence, Maine

Position, First Assistant Keeper — Salary, $840. per annum

Location, Great Duck Island L. S., Me. — Appropriation, Sals.,Kprs.,etc.

Effective September 1, 1923, {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Second Assistant Keeper — Former salary, $780. per annum

Location, Great Duck Island L. S., Me.

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

Previous incumbent, Frank Faulkingham — Services terminated, about August 31, 1923.

Reason, Recommended for transfer to Assistant Keeper, Moose Peak L. S., Me.

Members of family in Government Service,

Remarks:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AUG 13 1923
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NAVAL SERVICE
ADMIN. TAKEN
AUG 17 1923
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 19

(Directly.)

Secretary, Civil Service District.

C E Sherman
Superintendent.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

AUG 13 1923

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

H. B. BOWERMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
PORTLAND, ME.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1921 OCT 5 PM 3 49

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 1ST DISTRICT
PORTLAND, ME.

October 4, 1921

1921 OCT 7 AM 7 49

Commissioner of Lighthouses:-

APPOINTMENT

1. Department's "Notice of Change in Salary", September 3, 1921, whereby salary of Montell D. Gott, Keeper, this district, was changed from $720 to $780 per annum:

1921 OCT 7 AM 10 31

2. Effective date of this transfer is September 27, 1921.

CARDED

Superintendent.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
OCT 6 1921

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Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner.

Hon. O. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS--LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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September 3, 1921.

r. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $720 per annum to $ 780 per annum, effective September 18, 1921 or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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) H. M. CROSS
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED
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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES PORTLAND, ME.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES 1921 AUG 30 PM 3

LIGHTHOUSES 1st DIST. PORTLAND, MAINE. MAY 31 1921

FIRST DISTRICT

Matinicus Rock
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May 28, 1921

Supt Light House Service
List of Lights I would accept
as First asst

Great Duck	Island	Lt	Sta
Monhegan	Island	Lt	Sta
Manana	Island		Sta
Rockland	Breakwater	Lt	Sta
Two Bush	Island	Lt	Sta
White	Head	Lt	Sta

as 2nd asst

Great Duck Island	Lt	Sta
White Head	Lt	Sta

Montell D. Gott
3rd asst
F. C. Hilt Keeper.

Form 73
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
1921 AUG 30 PM 3

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, First District.

Portland, Maine (City.), August 29 53, 1921 (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, TRANSFER AND PROMOTION.

CHIEF CLERK

Name,	Montell D. Gott	Legal residence,	Maine
Position,	(Second Assistant) Keeper	Salary,	$780. per annum
Location,	Great Duck Island L. S., Me.	Appropriation,	Sals., Kprs., etc.
Effective	September 18, 1921, {the actual date of entrance on duty; or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.		
Former position,	(Third Assistant) Keeper	Former salary,	$720. per annum
Location,	Matinicus Rock L. S., Me.		

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APPOINTMENTS

1921 SEP 3 AM 9 05

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

Previous incumbent, Ernest V. Talbot Services terminated, about Sept. 17, 1921.

Reason, To be transferred to The Cuckolds L. S., Me., as Asst. Keeper.

Members of family in Government Service, -----

Remarks: This transfer is made at the request of Mr. Gott, and his letter requesting same is inclosed.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
SEP 6 - 1921
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 19

(Direct).

9/3/21.

Secretary, *Civil Service District.*

Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Inclosure

AUG 31 1921

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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Form 73a

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REPORT OF TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE ~~INSPECTOR~~ Supt., FIRST DISTRICT

1920 NOV 0 AM 8 59

Portland, Maine, October 29th, 1920. ~~, 191~~

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

LIGHTHOUSES

1920 NOV 1 AM 9 13

The following-named employee will be transferred as indicated, and will enter upon duty at his new station on or about November 1st, 1920.

Name, Montell D. Gott

Position, Keeper at $720 per annum

From Additional Keeper

To (3rd Asst.) Keeper Matinicus Rock L.S., Me.

Previous incumbent, Arthur J. Beal

Services terminated, about October 31, 1920

Reason, To be promoted 2nd Asst.

APPOINTMENTS

1920 NOV 2 AM 10

G. R. Sherman

Superintendent.

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The above-referred-to transfer became effective beginning with

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION BUREAU OF NOV 1920 DEPT OF COMMERCE

REPORT DATA ENTERED

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

NOV 1 1920

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information.

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Acting Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

APPOINTMENT SEP 9
U.S. LIGHTHOUSES 1st DIST. PORTLAND, MAINE.
SEP 1 1920
U.S. LIGHTHOUSES 1st DIST. PORTLAND, MAINE.
SEP 4 1920 LIGHTHOUSES

This form shall be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty.

The information called for in Part I shall be filled in by the Bureau or Office to which the employee is assigned, after which the form shall be transmitted to the employee for answers to the questions in Part II. The completed form shall be indorsed by the proper Bureau officer and forwarded to the Department for file.

PART I.

1. Name of employee: Montell D. Gott

2. Position to which appointed: Keeper (For duty as Additional Keeper) 1920 SEP 9 AM 8 34

3. Bureau or Service: Lighthouse, District: First

4. Place of duty: General duty. (City, town, station, or vessel.)

5. Salary: $720 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses CHIEF CLERK

7. Manner of appointment. (Examples: "From stenographer and typewriter examination, ——, 19—;" "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known). 1920 SEP 9 PM 1 43

C. S. Examination Asst. Light Keeper (Form 1025) July 9th, 1920.

Duplicate

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

The statement should be signed by the employee, or, if unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.

1. What is your full name? (State whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs., and spell out names in full, including middle name or names. Example: "Mr. John Richard Roe." If name itself is merely a letter, so state.)

Mr. Montell Dow. Gott

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (This should agree with signature to your oath of office.)

Montell D. Gott

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

Maine (State or Territory.) Gotts Island (County.) HANCOCK Maine Tremont (City or town.) Third (Congressional district.)

4. If the legal residence given in answer to question 3 is not the same as that stated in the certificate of appointment, the difference should be explained.

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

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6. Where were you born? Gotts Island Maine

7. When were you born? July (Month.) 15 (Day.) 1881 (Year.)

8. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out

9. What is your marital condition? (Answer "single," "married," "widowed," or "divorced.") Married

10. Give name and address of person whom you would like to have notified in case of accident.

Berlin A. Gott (Name.) Gotts Island Maine (Number and street.)

(City or town.) (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") yes If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Berlin A Gott	Gotts Island Me	Position U S Mail Department or office	Brother	Married
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

12. Have you any physical disabilities? (Answer "yes" or "no.") no If so, describe fully. (If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

13. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (Answer "yes" or "no.") no If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.

14. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (Answer "yes" or "no.") no If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

15. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States other than during war time, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

16. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") yes If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
Light House	LIGHTHOUSE Service	2nd Assistant	Last 780	May 1st 1918	Nov 30th 1918

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17. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (Answer "yes" or "no.") no If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service.	Relationship to you.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

18. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States 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 indicated in answer to questions 13, 14, 15, and 16.)

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19. What education have you received? (State the grades of schools you have attended, and, if 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., 1910; Columbia University, LL. B., 1913.)

Common School

20. What special qualifications have you—educational, professional, technical, mechanical, etc.? (Examples: Qualified as "Lawyer," or "Civil engineer," or "Translator," or "Interpreter," or "Stenographer," or "Draftsman," or "Carpenter.")

Can paint and Carpenter some.

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

None

22. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.

Date, Aug 27, 1920

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) Montell D. Gott

(Present address) Wood Island Lt Sta
(Number and street.)

Biddeford Pool Maine
(City or town) (State or Territory.)

INDORSEMENT.

(If appointee is to be employed in the field, this form should be reviewed and approved by the proper field officer and need not be signed by an official of the Bureau. If appointee is to serve in the District of Columbia, the form should be reviewed and approved by the proper Bureau officer. When forwarding this form, no letter of transmittal is required.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded September 7th, 1920.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

(Signature) James C. Woolley

(Official title) Chief Clark, First Lighthouse District.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

APPOINTMENTS SEP 9 1920

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SEP 1 1920

LIGHTHOUSES 1st DIST. LIGHTHOUSE PORTLAND, MAINE.

CHIEF CLERK

1920 SEP 9 PM 1 43

I, Montell D. Gott

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.

Montell D. Gott

(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 31 day of August, A. D. 1920.

(Affix official seal here)

KELTON E. FOWLE NOTARY PUBLIC BIDDEFORD, MAINE

[4] (Name) Kelton E. Fowle

(Official title) Notary Public

S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

My commission expires Nov 13 - 1925

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$720 per annum	Additional Keeper for general duty.
Former [5] New appointee.		

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

GFL

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, First District

Portland, Maine (Address), September 7th, 1920 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on September 4th, 1920. (Date)

CARDED

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

James C. Bailey Chief Clerk.

(Signature, followed by title)

[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 on or after the effective 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, a chief clerk in the office of a superintendent of lighthouses or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has 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, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of superintendent of lighthouses and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.

[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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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 20, 1920.

FM Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No.) issued by the Secretary of the First Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary: Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION AUG. 1920 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

CARDED

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Nathaniel S. Alley.

Legal Residence: Maine.

1st district

(See reverse side.)

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, First DISTRICT,

Portland, Maine, August 12, 1920 8 50
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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AUG 13 1920
Office of Superintendent

Action recommended, PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Name, Montell D. Gott — Legal residence, Maine

Position, Keeper, L H S. (Additional Kpr) — Salary, $720. per annum

Location, First L H District at large — Appropriation, Sal Kprs, etc

Effective November 1, 1920. — ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

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Former position, New appointee — Former salary,

Location, ----

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
AUG 20 1920
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

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Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, AK Percentage, 90.20, Other eligibles considered:
Charles W. Gott, (C) William E. Gott (C)

Previous incumbent, Nathaniel S. Alley Services terminated, October 31, 1920

Reason, Assigned to Permanent Duty as 2nd Asst. Kpr, Petit Manan (Kpr L H Ser) not reported

Members of family in Government Service, One

Remarks: Mr. Gott stated he would accept this station and as he is No. 1 man on list of this kind recommendation is made. Other eligibles considered are the next two who will accept a station without quarters for families.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the
U. S. Civil Service Commission, Aug 13, 1920

8/18/20

B L Jackson
Secretary, 1st Civil Service District.

Sherman
Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

AUG 16 1920

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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E. C. Tillett
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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November 4, 1918.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the chief of bureau, to take effect at the close of business ~~November 30~~, 1918.

Bureau.....Lighthouse Service
Position.....Keeper
Salary.....~~$780~~ per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.
Chief of Appointment Division.

rM Montell D. Gott,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
PORTLAND, ME.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FIRST DISTRICT

Great Duck Island Lt Sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

Oct 19 1918

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LIGHT HOUSES

Mr Shurman. Supt Light House Service

Dear Sir

this is to notify you that I want to be done with the Light House Service on the date of nov 30. 1918 and want to leave on Dec 1st. if weather is so I can.

my wife will not stay here and I am not contented here. so will be done as I have said

Yours Very Truly
2nd. Assistant Keeper.
Montell D. Gott
Great Duck Island Lt Sta
via. McKinley
Maine

Form 93 CES*GFL

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, First DISTRICT.

LIGHT HOUSES NOV 1 1918

Portland, Maine, October 30th 1918.

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THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Montell D. Gott Position, Second Assistant Keeper.

Legal residence, Maine Station, Great Duck Island Lt. Sta.

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Salary, $456. per ~~per~~ annum.

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of November 30th, 1918.

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

Remarks:

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G. L. Sherman
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

NOV 1 1918

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY NOTICE FILED DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Acting Commissioner

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Supt. of LIGHTHOUSES 1st DIST. PORTLAND, MAINE.

I, Montell D. Gott, NOV 20 1918

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.

LIGHTHOUSES NOV 22 1918

NOV 22 1918 CLERK

Montell D. Gott.

(Appointee signs here)

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[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 18th day of November, A. D. 1918

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Lowell A. Burkett

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires December 19th 1919

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$780. per annum	Great Duck Island Light Sta., Me.
Former [5] Second Asst. Kpr.	$456. per annum	Same as above.

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, First District

Portland, Maine, (Address) November 20th, 1918. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on November 1st, 1918. (Date)

CARDED

E. E. Sherman Superintendent.

(Signature, followed by title)

[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, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has 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, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of lighthouse inspectors and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.

[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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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 4, 1918.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

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 Seven Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum, effective November 1, 1918.

By promotion from second assistant keeper at $456 per annum.

OR BASIS OF THIS ACTION LETTER DATED 10/7/18 IN FILE OF 1095/1

NOV 8 1918 DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: New position. (By increase in compensation.)

Legal Residence: Maine.

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PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

1st DIST. LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTION PORTSMOUTH, N.H. LIGHT MAY 10 1918 HOUSES
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MARCH 5, 1913.

To the CHIEFS OF BUREAUS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE:

For the purpose of enabling the Department to maintain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are requested to have every person hereafter appointed or employed in your Bureau, immediately upon his entrance on duty, answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. The information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved in accordance with instructions. The information in Part II should be supplied as indicated and the form forwarded to the Department.

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

PART I.

(Part I should be filled out 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 should 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? (State whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs. and spell out names in full, including middle name or names. Example: Mr. John Richard Roe. If name itself is merely a letter, it should be so stated.)

Montell Dow Gott

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? **(This should agree with signature to your oath of office.)**

Montree D. Gott

CARDED

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

Tremont	Maine	Hancock	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? Gott Island (Tremont) Maine

6. When were you born? July 15th Fifteenth 1881
Month. Day. Year.

7. Give name and address of person whom you would like to have notified in case of accident.

Berlin G. Gott (Name.) Gotts Island (Number and street.)

Fremont (City or town.) Maine (State or Territory.)

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? Yes

(If answer is "Yes," give in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.)

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
Berlin G. Gott	Brother	Postal	U. S. Mail	Carrier

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

On Probation for a period not to Exceed Six months

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

no No

11. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (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.)

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
	No.				

12. Do your hold any State or municipal office? (If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.)

No

13. 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.)

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
	No.		

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

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
	No		

15. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No (If answer is "yes," give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Relationship (widow or orphan) .....

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service .....

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

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16. 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 indicated in answer to questions 11, 12, 13, and 14.)

Fisherman

17. 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.)

Commun Schools of my town

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

None

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

C. S. Exam. for Asst. Lt. Keeper Oct. 20, 1917.

20. 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.)

Lowell G. Bamber McKinley Maine.

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. April 15, 1918

Witness:

(Signature) Montell D. Gott.

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Gotts Island
City or town.

Number and street.

Maine
State or Territory.

(Where the appointee is to be employed outside of the District of Columbia the information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer in immediate charge before forwarding to the Bureau. Where he is to be employed in the District of Columbia, Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer who executes Part II.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded May 8th, 1918

(Signature) C. E. Simmons

(Official title) Inspector First Lt. H. District.

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PART II.

CHIEF CLERK

(Part II should be executed by the executive officer of the Bureau of the Department to which the employee is assigned or by some authorized official who can give the information desired. If unable to answer any question, indicate that fact.)

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

Lighthouse Service (Bureau or Service.) Great Duck Island Light Station (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) First (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? Second Assistant Keeper

3. State the date of appointment. April 6th, 1918.

4. State the date the appointment was effective. (If appointment was made to take effect on date of oath, so state.)

Entrance upon duty.

5. State the date of the oath. April 15th, 1918.

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. May 1st, 1918.

7. What is his salary? $456. per annum.

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.

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

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

11. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination;" or "without examination;" or "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Non-educational examination, Asst. Light keeper.

12. Is the employee required to give bond? No.

13. When the legal residence given in answer to question 3, Part I, differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

Same as given in certificate of appointment.

14. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out. -------

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) C. G. Sherman

(Official title) Inspector First Lighthouse District.

Date: May 8th, 1918., 191

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OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1st DIST. LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR PORTLAND, MAINE. LIGHT HOUSES MAY 10 1918
APR 17 1918
MAY 10 1918 8 58 AM

I, Montell D. Gott,

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.

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Montell D. Gott.
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 15th day of April, A. D. 1918.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Lowell A. Bunker

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present Sec. Asst. Keeper	$456. per annum	Great Duck Island Lt. Sta., Maine.
Former [5] New appointee.		

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

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, First DISTRICT

Portland, Maine (Address), May 8th, 1918. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 1st, 1918. (Date)

C. E. Saunders Inspector.
(Signature, followed by title)

[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.
[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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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 6, 1918.

Mr. Montell D. Gott,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. ---) issued by the local Civil Service Board for the First Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Myrick R. Morrison.

Legal Residence: Maine.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RECEIVED APR 2 1918 FIRST C. S. DIST. LIGHT HOUSES

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, First DISTRICT,

Portland, Maine (City.), April 1st (Date.), 191 8.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT.

Name, Montell D. Gott — Legal residence, Maine.

Position, Second Assistant Keeper — Salary, $456. per annum.

Location, Great Duck Island Light Station, Me. — Appropriation, Sals., Kprs., etc.

Effective May 1st, 1918, ~~if reported for duty previously~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, New appointee. — Former salary, -----

Location, ----------

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Asst. Keeper Percentage, 91.40, Other eligibles considered: Ralph J. Frye (D); Morris A. Alley (D); Thomas H. Morgan (C); Eben A. Elwell (C). Mr. Frye is now in the Naval Reserve Force so could not accept the position, according to statement of his mother sent back with Notice to Eligibles.

Previous incumbent, Myrick R. Morrison Services terminated, April 30th, 1918.

Reason, Promoted to First Assistant ~~in~~ Eod place of Mr. Austin L. Sinnett, resigned.

Members of family in Government Service, Married brother is letter carrier in home town.

Remarks:

Quarters are provided for families of keepers.

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Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, APR 4 - 1918, 191

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

B. L. Salmon
Secretary, 1st Civil Service District.

Luther
Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 6 1918

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner

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[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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