'26 SEP 22 PM 4:14:05

REFERENCE SERVICE SLIP
Archival Research Room Record Request
National Archives at St. Louis

Date: 09/21/2026

REQUESTER INFORMATION

Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Burns, Andrew	4563213
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
afbfg4@umsl.edu	636-415-7353

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
Hissey, William		

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:

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (CT/NJ/NY/RI) 3rd District	From: 1916	To: 1917
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
(Agency & Location) H200	From:	To:

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

This Space Intentionally Left Blank

STAFF USE ONLY

Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

CMRS Service Request Number: C-00084 3631

Attendant Signature:

CMRS Search Request Number(s): Rqst sent 9/29/26

Remarks:

26 OCT 8 PM12:07

SCREENING NOTES

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

Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Requests:

Screened Items:

☐ Additional charge outs and signatures on reverse side

Time Out:

Final Return:

WILLIAM HISSEY

WILLIAM HISSEY

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
AUG 12 1916
HOUSES

JHG
aug 15 1916
Ltd 7 ships

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Commr.
Commr.

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

August 11, 1916

Commissioner:-

Referring to Form 73 forwarded to Bureau to-day through the Secretary 2nd Civil Service District, recommending the probationary appointment of William Hissey to the position of assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, R.I.

It is requested that this office be advised by telegraph of Mr. Hissey's appointment in order that he may be assigned to duty at the earliest date possible.

J. F. Yates

Form 73

JHC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT AUG 14 1916 HOUSES

Aug 15 1916 Ltr Inspr

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

SPECIAL

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.), August 11, 1916 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Through Sec'y, 2nd Civil Service Dist.)
Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, William Hissey

Legal residence, Connecticut

Position, Assistant Keeper

Salary, $516 per annum

Location, Whale Rock Light Station, R.I.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective August 16, 1916 { the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position,

Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 83.9, Other eligibles considered:
James Bachmann C. Fred V. Baker C.

Previous incumbent, George H. Tocker Services terminated, August 13, 1916

Reason, Promoted

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. No quarters for families of keepers at this station. Nos. 1 to 12 on eligible list will not accept appointment to stations where there are no family quarters provided.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. AUG 12 1916, 191

J C Cole
Secretary, SECOND Civil Service District.

J. T. YATES.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

AUG 14 1916

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

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

11—2314

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

LIGHT
AUG 16 1916
HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 15, 1916.

M. William Hissey,

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, Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen 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 Third Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

SIGNED/ CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice George H. Tooker.

Legal Residence: Connecticut.

(See reverse side.)

AUG 16 1916

JEL

Washington D C August 15 1916

Lighthouse Inspector Saint George New York

Hiesey appointed Whale Rock effective August sixteen or thereafter

CONWAY

Acting Commissioner

DC

Today's journal

Sent Sept. 11, 4 p.m. JAT

8/15/16.

KTB

X

LIGHT
SEP 11 1916
HOUSES

September 8, 1916.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated August 31, 1916, as assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, Rhode Island, at $516 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, to take effect at the close of August 30, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. William Hissey,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

R
O

SEP 15 1916

SEP 11 1916

Form 73

NOMINATION

JBG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT,

LIGHT HOUSES MAY 17 1917

Tompkinsville, N. Y. (City.) May 16,1917 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Reinstatement.

Name, William Hissey

Legal residence, Connecticut

Position, Assistant Keeper

Salary, $516.00 per annum

Location, Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta.,N.Y.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective June 1,1917 { ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Assistant Keeper

Former salary, $516. p.a.

Location, Whale Rock Light Station, R. I.

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

Previous incumbent, George W. Shaddock

Services terminated, May 31,1917

Reason, Resigned

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. Acceptance of position by Mr.Hissey is attached hereto. Resignation accepted by Department letter of Sept. 8,1916.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. , 191

J. T. YATES.

Secretary, *Civil Service District.*

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAY 18 1917

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

HBB

Acting Commissioner

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

11—2314

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
MAY 28 1917
HOUSES

May 22, 1917.

Mr. William Hissey,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen dollars per annum,

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

(By reinstatement, in accordance with authority contained in the Civil Service Commission's certificate No. 11068.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

L
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: George W. Shaddock.

Legal Residence: Connecticut.

11—3692

3 Insp.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUN 27 1917
HOUSES

JHG

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comsr.
Comsr.

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

June 26,1917

Dept disp only in LHS 25ds
Hissey was reinstated June 2, 1917, so can't handle like cases during probation. Must read dismissal or let him resign. Rec dismissal we have all papers necy.
JHG June 27
JHG July 2
JHG July 3

Commissioner:

The following correspondence re William Hissey, assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, is enclosed for the consideration of the Bureau:-

1. Letter dated June 12,1917 from keeper Epkens.
2. Copy of letter dated June 18,1917 to Asst.Keeper Hissey.
3. Letter dated June 20,1917 from Keeper Epkens.
4. Letter dated June 20,1917 from William Hissey.
5. Copy of letter of charges dated June 22,1917 addressed to Hissey.
6. Letter dated June 25,1917 from Hissey.

Mr.Hissey entered the service as Assistant Keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station on June 2nd,1917, and on June 5th,1917 was given permission by the keeper to go ashore and have his oath of office sworn to, and has since failed to return to his station or to submit the oath of office, personal question sheets,etc. While his explanation that he is sick with stomach trouble might justify his absence from duty, his failure to report the reason for this absence and probable length of absence to the keeper of the station and also to this office, is inexcusable, and indicates that he is not sufficiently reliable to be retained for employment in the Lighthouse Service, where reliability and attention to duty are very essential qualifications. The keepers at this station are not allowed to take more than 48 hours consecutive leave without furnishing a substitute when greater leave is desired. In addition to his failure to report the reason of his absence, he also failed to apply for leave and to furnish a substitute.

In view of the conduct of Mr.Hissey, as described above, it is recommended that he be dismissed from the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, effective at the close of June 5,1917, the date on which he left the station.

Mr.Hissey has not been granted leave in excess of the accrued amount.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
JUL 12 1917

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

J. T. YATES,

Commissioner.

LIGHT
JUL 17 1917
HOUSES

July 17, 1917.

Sir:

It having been charged that you absented yourself from duty without authority, as set forth in letter dated the 22nd ultimo from the Inspector of the Third Lighthouse District, and the charges having been established in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has dismissed you from the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, at $516 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, effective at the close of June 5, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

11/19

Mr. William Hissey,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

L
C

LGJ

June 8, 1923.

Miss Agnes Atwood,
c/o Mrs. Carlo Simeoli,
Apartment 3,
724 Congress Ave.,
New Haven, Conn.

Hissey?

Dear Madam:

1. Referring to your letter of May 31, 1923, with reference to the whereabouts of Mr. William Hessie, formerly an employee in this Service:

2. You are respectfully advised that Mr. Hessie was separated from the Lighthouse Service in 1917, and since then his whereabouts are unknown to this office.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 3rd Dept.

2 cys. 6/4/23
C C card Foreman
PD 6/4/23

LIGHTHOUSES
New Haven Conn.
JUN 7 AM 8 42
LIGHTHOUSES 22.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES

Hydro.
Engr. Combl
Mar. Engr.
Personnel.
Accounts.
Contracts.
Chf Clk.
Dep. Comr.
Comr.

1923 JUN 7 AM 8 42

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.
June 5, 1923.

WJL HP

6/8/23 Wrote miss Atwood. Advise was separated TQ

SUBJECT: William Hessie.

REFERENCE: Bureau's endorsement June 2, 1923 forwarding letter from Miss Agnes Atwood.

Returned to Commissioner.

Mr. Hissey was dismissed from the Lighthouse Service in 1917, and his present whereabouts is unknown. He was last employed as Asst. Keeper, Old Orchard Shoal Lt. Sta.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUN 2 - 1923

To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N.Y.

Furnish writer directly such information as practicable. Sym no information available, return communication to Bureau.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner.

TQ

Sc Off. 44/23
cc-Cash Lifesaving
PO 64/23

Dismissed in 1917
Pres. evaluations
returned

LIGHTHOUSES
New Haven Conn.
1923 JUN 7 AM 8 42
LIGHTHOUSES
1923 JUN 1 AM 8 38

SUPERINTENDENT LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 4
1923
2ND DISTRICT

Light House Inspecting Engineer
Washington
no record of this engineer being an appointed engineer
see to all to advise writer died such information if practicable.
Ref. by

Dear Sir,

Would you please give me some information as to what Light House, Mr. William Dissie is working at, and how a letter would reach him.

Kindly let me know as soon as

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUN 2 - 1923

To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N.Y.
Furnish writer directly such information as practicable. Also information
available, return communication to Bureau.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner.

LIGHTHOUSES

New Haven Conn.

1923 JUN 7 AM 8 42

LIGHTHOUSES

Mar 3, 1922.

1923 JUN 1 AM 8 38

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 4 1923
RECEIVED

Engr. Corps.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel.
Accounts.
Contracts.
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comr.
Comr.

Light House Inspecting Service.

Washington.

Dear Sir,

no record of this gentleman being an appointed employee. See to 3rd to advising writer direct such information is practicable.

Would you please

RY

give me some information as to what Light House, Mr. William Dissie is working at, and how a letter would reach him.

Kindly let me know as soon as

possible.

Thanking you I am,

Respectfully yours.

Miss Agnes Atwood

care Mrs. Carlo Sineoli

724 Congress ave

(apartment 3) New Haven Ct

William Hissey

LEGAL RESIDENCE.

Connecticut

INACTIVE

Wm Hissey

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
Asst. Keeper, Whale Rock L.H.S.	$516	LIGHT-HOUSE	August 23, 1916.
Resigned clerk Aug 30. 1916.			
Asst. Kpr. (Reinstatement) Old Orchard Shoal L.S. N.Y.	$516,	L. H.	June 2, 1917.
Removed clerk June 5. 1917)			

INACTIVE

Form 73

JHG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SPECIAL

SECOND U.S. CIVIL SERVICE DISTRICT. RECD

LIGHT AUG 14 1916 HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK AUG 14 1916

APPOINTMENT AUG 14 1916

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT.

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) August 11, 1916 (Date.) 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Through Sec'y, 2nd Civil Service Dist.)
Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, William Hissey

Legal residence, Connecticut

Position, Assistant Keeper

Salary, $516 per annum

Location, Whale Rock Light Station, R.I.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective August 16, 1916

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

Former position,

Former salary,

Location,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION AUG 1916 DEPT OF COMMERCE

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 83.9 , Other eligibles considered:
James Bachmann C. Fred V. Baker C.

Previous incumbent, George H. Tocker Services terminated, August 13, 1916

Reason, Promoted EOD

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. No quarters for families of keepers at this station. Nos. 1 to 12 on eligible list will not accept appointment to stations where there are no family quarters provided.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. AUG 12 1916 , 191

8

D. C. Ahles

Secretary, SECOND Civil Service District.

J. T. Tracy

LRE 8/14/16

* Not prefer 8/21

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

AUG 14 1916

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Langley
Acting Commissioner

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

11—2314

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 15, 1916.

M. William Hissey,

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, Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen 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 Third Lighthouse District.

CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

RO

Appropriation Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice George H. Tooker.

Legal Residence: Connecticut.

(See reverse side.)

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED AUG 15 1916 ★ DEPT OF COMMERCE

SERVICE REPORTED SEP 1916

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES AUG 28 1916
APPOINTMENTS SEP 16 1916
CHIEF CLERK SEP 16 1916

I, William Hissey

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.

William Hissey
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 24 day of August, A. D. 1916

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Leo D'Lamater

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present Assistant Keeper	$516. p.a.	Whale Rock Light Station, R.I.
Former [5]		

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, Third District

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (Address) August 20/1916 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Aug 23/1916 (Date)

J. T. [illegible]
(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.

11—944

SEP 15 1916

Form 93

LETTER TRANSMITTING RESIGNATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

HMD

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y., September 6, 1916

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, William Hissey

Position, Assistant Keeper

Legal residence, Conn.

Station, Whale Rock Light Station, R.I.

Salary, $516.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of August 30, 1916

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

Remarks:

9-8-16

J. T. Yates

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

SEP - 7 1916

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

11—4623

S. Conway
Acting Commissioner

Lighthouse Inspector
Comptonville N.Y.

6 Clarkson Street
Ansonia Conn
Aug 31st 1916

Sir.

I desire most respectfully to tender my resignation as asst Keeper of Whale Rock Light Station to take effect immediately I am sorry not to be able to give proper and sufficient notice but circumstances over which I have no control have prevented me from doing so please send another man out there as soon as you can as the Keeper is there alone. It is not my wish to resign but I am doing it at the desire and wish of my wife and family I should personaly have liked to remain in the Service as I liked it very much I remain Sir

Your Very respectfully
William Kiesey.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3d DIST. SEP 1 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.
SEP 8 1916
CHIEF CLERK SEP 8 1916
LIGHT HOUSES SEP 7 1916

September 8, 1916.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated August 31, 1916, as assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, Rhode Island, at $516 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, to take effect at the close of August 30, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED SEP 8 - 1916 ON JOURNAL DEPT OF COMMERCE

Mr. William Hissey,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

R
C

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 32 DIST. AUG 1.25 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.
APPOINTMENT SEP 15 1916
LIGHT AUG 16 1916 HOUSES
CHIEF CLERK SEP 15 1916

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.

CARDED.

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.)
Mr. William Hussey.

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

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

City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.
Ansonia	Conn	New Haven	5

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

5. Where were you born? England.

6. When were you born? April 6th 1868
(Month. Day. Year.)

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

Mrs Ada Hussey 66 Clarkson St

Name. Number and street.

Ansonia Conn,

City or town. State or Territory.

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? No

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

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.

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.)

Light house Service July 10th 1916. Local Civil Ser. Ex.

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

Eyesight Corrected by glasses.

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.

11—1434

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.)

Night Watchman.

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.)

Grammer School.

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.")

Cabinet Maker.

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

July 10th 1916.

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.)

Yes.

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. Aug 23rd, 1916

Witness:

(Signature) William Hosey

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Ansonia
City or town.
6 Clarkson Street
Number and street.
Conn.
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 Aug 25, 1916

(Signature) J. T. Yates

(Official title)

11—1434

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:
L.H. Service Wadsworth S.D. R.I. 3d
Bureau or Service. Place (city, town, station, or vessel). District.

2. To what position has he been appointed? Asst Keeper

3. State the date of appointment. Aug 15/1916

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

5. State the date of the oath. Aug 24/16

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. Aug 23/1916

7. What is his salary? $1600 per a.

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries Keepers L.H.

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

10. If classified, state the date of classification. May 6/1916

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.)
Local Civ Ser. Exam July 10/1916

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.
/

14. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out.
Oct 15, 1904 - City Court of Augusta Me.
/

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) J. T. Yates

(Official title)

Date: ——, 191

11—16

Form 72.

NOMINATION

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES MAY 17 1917

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N. Y. (City.) May 16,1917 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Reinstatement.

Name, William Hissey — Legal residence, Connecticut

CHIEF CLERK MAY 19 1917

Position, Assistant Keeper — Salary, $516.00 per annum

Station, Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta., N.Y. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

DEPARTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN MAY 22 1917 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Effective June 1,1917 { the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Assistant Keeper — Former salary, $516. p.a.

Location, Whale Rock Light Station, R. I.

APPOINTMENTS MAY 19 1917

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

WROTE C. S. COMMISSION may 19, 1917.

Previous incumbent, George W. Shaddock — Services terminated, May 31,1917

Reason, Resigned

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position.
Acceptance of position by Mr.Hissey is attached hereto.
Resignation accepted by Department letter of Sept. 8,1916.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. , 191

J. A. Tees

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAY 18 1917

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner

1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

11—2314

LIGHT-HOUSE 32 DIST.
MAY 14 1917
RECEIVED
KINGSVILLE

Lighthouse Inspector,
Tompkinsville N.Y.

44 Holbrook Street
Avonia Pa
May 11th 1917

LIGHT
MAY 17 1917
HOUSES

Sir,

In reply to yon letter of May 9th ask me if I would like to be conedered for Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, Yes I would go there, and I would go when requied but would like a few days notice if possble, I was out of Town and only got back this evening or I should have answerd sooner,

I remain
Sir,
Your Respectfully
Wm Kisser.

I am writing this second letter because I think perhaps the other letter may not be satisfactory if it is not please Consider this one if it is not too late

Form 381.
May, 1910.

REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
[Department, Commission, or Office.]

Washington, D. C., May 19, 191 7.

To the U. S. Civil Service Commission:

Request is made for certificate under Rule IX for the reinstatement of William Hissey, a legal resident of the State (or Territory) of Connecticut, to the position assistant keeper, now vacant (or to become vacant on), at a salary of $ 516 p.a., in the Lighthouse Service, for which a certification of
[Bureau or Office.]
eligibles has not been requested.* Mr. Hissey was, without delinquency or misconduct on his part, separated by resignation on August 30, 1916, from the position of
[Removal or resignation.]
assistant keeper at a salary of $ 516 p.a., in the Lighthouse Service.
[Bureau or Office.]

MEMBERS OF FAMILY IN THE SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES:

None.
[State degree of relationship and where employed.]

MILITARY OR NAVAL RECORD.

Regiment Company

Vessel Date of honorable discharge

By direction of the Secretary: (SIGNED) E. W. LIBBEY
Signature:

Official title: Acting Chief Clerk.

L
C

*If a certification has been requested, the date should be given. When a requisition has been made under section 1 of Rule VII for a certification of eligibles, and the Commission, at the request of the Department, has made public announcement of an examination to secure such eligibles, the vacancy shall not thereafter be filled by transfer, promotion, or reinstatement, without the consent of the Commission.

6—2530

Form 1788 (~~Carbon~~).
Jan. 1913.

NO. 11068

Certificate Authorizing Reinstatement.

CHIEF CLERK MAY 22 1917 5

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN MAY 22 1917 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

A.L. Washington, D. C. May 21, 1917.

APPOINTMENTS MAY 22 1917

To

Secretary of Commerce.

Sir:

Certification is hereby made that the following reinstatement is authorized by the Commission under Civil Service Rule IX:

.....William..Hissey,.....of .....

STATUS AUTHORIZED.	FORMER STATUS.
.....Commerce,..... (Department.)	.....Same,..... (Department.)
.....Lighthouse Service,..... (Bureau or office.)	.....Same,..... (Bureau or office.)
.....Assistant Keeper, $516 p.a,..... (Position and salary.)	.....Same,..... (Position and salary.)
.....Field Service,..... (City in which to be employed.)	.....Same,..... (City in which formerly employed.)
.....May 19,1917..... (Date of request.)	...August 30,1916, resignation. (Date and manner of separation.)

.....

.....

.....

.....

Very respectfully,

John T. Doyle

.....
Secretary.

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

May 22, 1917.

Mr. William Hissey,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen dollars per annum,

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

(By reinstatement, in accordance with authority contained in the Civil Service Commission's certificate No. 11068.)

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAY 22 1917 ON JOURNAL DEP'T OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

L
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: George W. Shaddock.

Legal Residence: Connecticut.

11—3692

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES AUG 8 1917

CHIEF CLERK AUG 8 1917

APPOINTMENTS AUG 8 191

I, William Hissey

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.

William Hissey.
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 3rd day of August, A. D. 1917.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) M. Crossman

(Official title) Notary Public.

My commission expires February 1918.

OFFICIAL TITLE	RATE OF PAY	NAME OF STATION, VESSEL, OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT
Present Assistant Keeper	$516. p.a.	Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta., N.Y.
Former [5]		

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

CARDED.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT

Tompkinsville, N.Y., Aug 7/17
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on June 2,1917 (Date)

IN THE ABSENCE AND DIRECTION OF INSPECT

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 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.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES
JUN 27 1917

JHG

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

CHIEF CLERK
JUL 13 1917

June 26,1917

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY
ACTION TAKEN
JUL 16 1917
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS
JUL 13 19

Commissioner:

The following correspondence re William Hissey, assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, is enclosed for the consideration of the Bureau:-

APPOINTMENTS
JUL 13 1917

1. Letter dated June 12,1917 from keeper Epkens.
2. Copy of letter dated June 18,1917 to Asst.Keeper Hissey.
3. Letter dated June 20,1917 from Keeper Epkens.
4. Letter dated June 20,1917 from William Hissey.
5. Copy of letter of charges dated June 22,1917 addressed to Hissey.
6. Letter dated June 25,1917 from Hissey.

Mr.Hissey entered the service as Assistant Keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station on June 2nd,1917, and on June 5th,1917 was given permission by the keeper to go ashore and have his oath of office sworn to, and has since failed to return to his station or to submit the oath of office, personal question sheets,etc. While his explanation that he is sick with stomach trouble might justify his absence from duty, his failure to report the reason for this absence and probable length of absence to the keeper of the station and also to this office, is inexcusable, and indicates that he is not sufficiently reliable to be retained for employment in the Lighthouse Service, where reliability and attention to duty are very essential qualifications. The keepers at this station are not allowed to take more than 48 hours consecutive leave without furnishing a substitute when greater leave is desired. In addition to his failure to report the reason of his absence, he also failed to apply for leave and to furnish a substitute.

In view of the conduct of Mr.Hissey, as described above, it is recommended that he be dismissed from the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, effective at the close of June 5,1917, the date on which he left the station.

Mr.Hissey has not been granted leave in excess of the accrued amount.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
JUL 12 1917

J. O. Yates

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.
July 14, 1917.
Approved:
E. F. Sweet
Assistant Secretary.

H. G. Putnam
Commissioner.

LIGHT-HOUSE SERVICE
RECEIVED
JUN 27 1917
COPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

LIGHT
JUN 27 1917
HOUSES

Old Orchard Shoal Light Sta.

June 12th 1917

Inspector

Regret to report that my newly appointed Assistant William Hussey of Ansonia Conn. has left this Station on the 5th of June and has not shown up since. He went ashore with my permission & went to a Notary public in Stapleton & here some papers filled out. On the 11th he sent a Telegram (per 17 William Street Pawtucket) from Derby Conn. saying that he was sick. As no doubt he has notified the District Office also and in more detail, I respectfully beg for information in the matter, as I need an Assistant here badly in this kind of weather, when I have to run the Fog signal Day and night, and getting no rest getting near to a breakdown, as I have for the last three months been obliged to do all the work and watching.

Hoping to have better luck with or the future with my assistants, as regards their ability and qualities I regret to be compelled to send this kind of a report.

William J. Stevens.

Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

2

LIGHT
JUN 27 1917
HOUSES

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

COPY-EJC.

JHG.

June 18th, 1917.

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

The keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station has advised this office that on June 5th he gave you permission to go ashore to have your oath sworn to before a Notary Public, with the understand that you were to return to the station promptly. He also states that on June 11th you sent him a telegram stating you were sick.

You are directed to submit to this office by return mail a full and detailed report of the reason of your absence from your station without permission, and also why you neglected to advise this office of the reason of your absence. You are also directed to state whether or not you intend to return to your duties, and if so, when.

J. T. YATES
Inspector.

Copy
Charges against Keeney

LIGHT HOUSE INSPECTOR
32 DIST.
JUN 21 1917
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

Old Orchard Shoal Light Stn.
June 20th 1917

LIGHT
JUN 27 1917
HOUSES

Inspector

In a Letter dated 12th June I had to report, that my newly appointed assistant William Kinsey of 44 Holbrook Ste Ansonia, Conn: had left this Station on the 5th inst. with my permission, & get some Papers filled out, before a Notary Public.

On the 11th he send a Telegram that he was sick having heard since nothing of him, and thinking that he had advised the Dist Office more detailed I expected a new man being send down from the Office every day. This day (20th) I got a Letter from him, wanting to know if it were all right for him to come back, informing at the same time that the Papers, which he wanted to get filled out, and for which purpose especially I gave him permission, he had either lost or left at the Station.

Being a man entirely unsuited for the position as Light House Keeper, taking all the essentials qualities required it will be apparent out of his actions, that a man so flagrantly neglecting his duty on the very outset of his new career, cannot possibly have any hope.

for

improvement in the future.

J. for my own part don't want him sōme back but certainly have to abide by Orders

I have had a hard time here lately, but rather will try & manage alone than to have that dutiful forgotten awkward fellow here again.

The last two men I have been blessed with were certainly the Limit, but they became "cold feet" as soon as they got out here and I hope I am for the sake of the Service well rid of them.

William J. Hopkins
Keeper

P.S. Pleased to announce that John Von Tobertein der just arrived 9.20 am

W.E.

I beg respectfully for information as to the matter of William Tierney but rather wish that the Office deal with him.

Lighthouse Inspector 44 Holbrook Sheet-
Tompkinsville N.Y. Ansonia Conn,
June 20th 1917

Sir,

In reply to your letter asking for explanation regarding my absence from duty, I would like respectfully to say that I came ashore to get my papers signed and sworn to and have been quite sick with stomach trouble probably due to change of food or change of air at the Light. I did notify the Keeper and if I had expected to be away so long I should have written to you also and explained, but I have been expecting to return every day that is the reason I did not write to you

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. JUN 22 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.
LIGHT JUN 27 1917 HOUSES

and I knew that the Kettle was well stocked with provisions so I thought he would be alright till I got back

I hope to be able to return to duty on Monday 25th.

Hoping this explanation will be satisfactory,

I remain

Sir

Yours Respectfully

William Kreesey.

Cast Per Old Orchard Shoal

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

JHG

REGISTERED MAIL
RECEIPT REQUESTED

LIGHT
JUN27 1917
HOUSES

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

William Hissey,

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

June 22,1917

You are hereby charged with being absent from duty as assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, without leave, you having been granted permission by the keeper on June 5th to go ashore for the purpose of having your oath of office sworn to, and having failed to return to your station up to June 20th,1917, the last date on which this office heard from the keeper, and with having failed to inform this office of the reason of your absence.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make, through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

If you desire to make no statement you will so state in writing.

J. T. YATES.
Inspector

Light House Inspector 2d 44 Hulbert Shel-
Comptonville
N.Y.

Ancona Conn
June 25th 1917.

Sir,

I received your letter dated June 18th in which you ask for a report of the reason I was absent from duties at Old Orchard Shoal Light Station Sir, I answered that letter on the 21st I mailed the letter before eight oclock in the morning, at the Post Office, it should have been delivered at your Office the same day, in that letter I explained that I had been sick, but that I expected to be able to return to duty on the 25th that is today.

On June 23rd I received a second letter from your Office, charging me with being absent from duty and asking for a statement.

Sir, I am afraid that any statement I can make will appear very lame, I have been sick but I am better now but I do not think I will be able to return to duty.

My Wife and myself do not see how we could get along if I have to maintain a home on shore for my family, and for me to live at the Light, we are afraid that we could not afford to do that.

Of course I know that I should have

very little chance of it doing me any good it is this,
I am pretty well aquainted with the Keeper at the Bridgeport Harbor Light and he has told me that he is anxious to get a transfer to a shore Station I am betraying no confidence in telling you this as I have no doubt that he has an application in for a transfer,
Now what I would like to say is this if it would be possible for you to Keep my name on file at your Office untill you make a change, and if you would then consider me for that Light if you could do this, both my Wife and myself would be very pleased to go there, as we could get along nicely and I am sure you would be well pleased with the way we would care for the Light, I understand the Light and the Fog Signal at the Bridgeport Harbor Light, and the Light on the Breakwater, I would attend to that, I am right at home there, if we could get that Light my Wife and boy could live there with me and we could get along fine, I could do all repairs, and I understand the

painting made and out, my boy who is sixteen years of age would be a great help to me.
We would wait for that Light untill there was a change made, and we would be ready to go there at any time when notified.
Sir, I do not know if this is the last letter I shall ever write to you, I hope not, but if it is I would like to take this opportunity, to apologize to you for any unnecessary trouble or inconvenience I may have caused you, I can assure you it was quite unintentional, and I would like to thank you for what you have done for me and for your uniform courtesy throughout.

I beg to remain
Sir,
Yours very Respectfully
William Stacey.

The Bridgeport Harbor Light is quite close to my home where I have lived for nearly thirty years it would be fine if we could go there

thought of that before, but I was so very desirous of getting in the Service that I in a manner closed my eyes to that part of it,

Sir, I am afraid that perhaps from the way I have acted you may think that I have been trifling with you and with your department I assure you that such is not the case,

When I asked for reinstatment I was quite sincere and when you were kind enough to give me another chance I cannot tell you how glad I was,

And to night as I write this letter to you I am full of regret as I should like it above all things if I could see my way to continue in the Service,

You say in your letter to me that any statement that I make must be couched in temperate language, I hope I have never given you any cause to think that I would write to you in any other way,

Sir, I can assure you that I have never had the least idea of treating you or your department in any way but with the greatest of respect.

Sir, there is one thing I would like to say altho I am afraid there is

Lighthouse, Bridgeport, Conn.



POST CARD

QUALITY ORIGINALITY SERVICE

TRADE MARK

For Correspondence

For Address only

POSTAGE
DOMESTIC
1 CENT
FOREIGN
2 CENTS

LIGHT
JUN 27 1917
HOUSES

Where my Wife and Boy and myself would like to be Stationed if it were possible

William Stacey.
44 Holbrook Street
Ansonia
Conn.

Mr Ya
Lighthouse
Inspector
Tompkinsville
N.Y.

Pub. by Danziger & Berman, New Haven, Conn.

New Process - Chrom

July 17, 1917.

Sir:

It having been charged that you absented yourself from duty without authority, as set forth in letter dated the 22nd ultimo from the Inspector of the Third Lighthouse District, and the charges having been established in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has dismissed you from the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, at $516 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, effective at the close of June 5, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 17 1917 ON JOURNAL DEPT. OF COMMERCE

Mr. William Hissey,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

JUL 17 1917

L
C

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

INSPECTOR 32 DIST. AUG 25 1913 RECEIVED POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y.

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.

1913

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.)
Mr William Hissey.

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

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

City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.
Ansonia	Conn	New Haven	5

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

5. Where were you born? England

6. When were you born? April (Month.) 6th (Day.) 1868 (Year.)

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

Mrs Ada Hussey (Name.) 6 Clarkson St (Number and street.)

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

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? No

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

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.

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.)

Light Service July 10th 1916. Local Civil Service Exam

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

Eyesight Corrected by Glasses

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.

11—1434

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.



William Hissey
(Name.)

Assistant Keeper
(Position.)

Whale Rock Lt. St.
(Bureau, Office, or Service.)

Date, Aug 23rd 1916.

11—3914

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

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

July 10th 1916.

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.)

Yes.

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. Aug 23d, 1916

Witness:

(Signature) William Hissey.

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Aurora
City or town.

66 Carlton Street
Number and street.

Conn.
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 Aug 25, 1916

(Signature) J. T. YATES.

11—1434

(Official title)

...shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of service indicated in answer to questions 11, 12, 13, and 14.)

Night Watchman

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.)

Grammer School

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.")

Cabinet Maker

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

July 10th 1916.

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.)

Yes.

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. Aug 23d, 1916

Witness:

(Signature) William Hussey

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Ansonia
City or town.
6 6 Carlton Street
Number and street.
Conn.
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 Aug 25, 1916

(Signature) J. T. YATES.

11—1434

(Official title)

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:

Life Service | Whale Rock R.R.S. | 3rd
Bureau or Service. | Place (city, town, station, or vessel). | District.

2. To what position has he been appointed? Asst Keeper

3. State the date of appointment. Aug 10/1916

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

Date Ent. D.

5. State the date of the oath. Aug 24/1916

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. Aug 23/1916

7. What is his salary? $76 per mo.

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries Keepers L.H.

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

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

Local Civ Ser Exam July 10/1916

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.

/

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

Oct 17, 1904 City Court of Aurora, Ohio

/

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) J. T. YATES.

(Official title) .....

Date: ....., 191

11—1934

Cert Aurora Ohio Dec 15 1904

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

(When forwarding this form, no letter of transmittal is required)

SUPT. HOUSE INSPECTION
3D DIST.
AUG
4
1917
RECEIVED
COMPTON, ILL.

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.)

1053

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.)
Mr William Heaney.

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

3. What is your present legal (voting) residence? (Give city or town, State or Territory, county, and Congressional district.)
Ansonia (City or town.) Conn (State or Territory.) New Haven (County.) Seventh (Congressional district.)

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

5. Where were you born? England

6. When were you born? April (Month.) 6th (Day.) 1868 (Year.)

11—1434

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

Ada Hisey. (Name.) 44 Holbrook Street (Number and street.)

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

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? No.

(If answer is "Yes," give 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.
		Position / Department or office		
		Position / Department or office		
		Position / Department or office		

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

Eyesight corrected by glasses

10. 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.
Lighthouse	Service	Asst. Keeper	$516	Aug 22nd 1916	Aug 30th 1916

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

No

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

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

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

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

14. 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.

11—1434

15. 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 10, 11, 12, and 13.)

Machine Operator, Carpenter, Night watchman.

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

Public School

17. 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.")

I have had considerable experience around Machinery and at Carpenter work

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

Lighthouse Service

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

Yes.

Date, August 3rd, 1917

Witness:

In case signature is by mark.

(Signature) William Hussey

P. O. Address: Ansonia
City or town.
44 Holbrook Street
Number and street.
Connecticut
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....., 191

(Signature) .....

(Official title) .....

11—1434

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

Bureau or Service. | Place (city, town, station, or vessel). | District.

2. Position to which appointed

3. Date of entrance on duty

4. Compensation

5. Appropriation from which paid

6. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination ———, 191—;" or "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

7. 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.

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

Oct 10, 1902, City Court of Aurora, Ill.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department ....., 191

(Signature) .....

(Official title) .....

11—1434

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. AUG 4 1917 RECEIVED ITHACA, N.Y.

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

(When forwarding this form, no letter of transmittal is required)

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.)

1053

---

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.)

Mr William Hissey.

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

William Hissey.

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

Ansonia	Conn.	New Haven	Seventh
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? England

6. When were you born? April 6th 1868

Month.	Day.	Year.

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

Ada Hussey (Name.) 44 Holbrook St (Number and street.)

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

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? No

(If answer is "Yes," give 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.
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		

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

Eyesight Corrected by Glasses

10. 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.
Light house	Service	asst Keeper	$576	Aug 22nd 1916	Aug 30th 1916

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

No

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

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

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

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

14. 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.

15. 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 10, 11, 12, and 13.)

Machine Operator, Carpenter,
Night Watchman.

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

Public School

17. 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.")

I have had considerable experience around
Machinery and at Carpenter Work

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

Lighthouse Service

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

Yes

Date, August 3rd, 1917

Witness:

(Signature) William Hussey

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Ansonia
City or town.
44 Holbrook St
Number and street.
Connecticut
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....., 191

(Signature) .....

(Official title) .....

11—1434

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

Bureau or Service. | Place (city, town, station, or vessel). | District.

2. Position to which appointed

3. Date of entrance on duty

4. Compensation

5. Appropriation from which paid

6. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination ———, 191—;" or "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

7. 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.

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

Oct 15, 1904, City Court of Anaconda, Conn

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department ———, 191

(Signature) ———

(Official title) ———

11—1434

18647

Form 93

LETTER TRANSMITTING RESIGNATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

HMD

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y., September 6, 1916

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, William Hissey

Position, Assistant Keeper

Legal residence, Conn.

Station, Whale Rock Light Station, R.I.

Salary, $516.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of August 30, 1916

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

Remarks:

ASPINWALL

BUTLER

J T Yates

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

11—4623

COPY

6 Clarkson Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

Lighthouse Inspector, Aug.31,1916

Tompkinsville, N.Y.

Sir:-

I desire most respectfully to tender my resignation as asst.keeper of Whale Rock Light Station to take effect immediately. I am sorry not to be able to give proper and sufficient notice but circumstances over which I have no control have prevented me from doing so. Please send another man out there as soon as you can as the Keeper is there alone.

It is not my wish to resign but I am doing it at the desire and wish of my wife and family. I should personally have liked to remain in the service as I liked it very much.

I remain, Sir:

Yours very respectfully,

William Hissey

HMD

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

September 6, 1916

Your letter dated August 31, 1916, resigning your position as assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, has been received and forwarded to Washington with recommendation that same be accepted, effective at the close of August 30, 1916.

Referring to your telegram of September 2, 1916, requesting withdrawal of the above resignation, you are advised that this request is too late as another man has already had his orders to report for duty at Whale Rock Light Station.

Form 1204

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

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT BELVIDERE BROOKS, VICE-PRESIDENT

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

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

RECEIVED AT ST. GEORGE, S. I., N. Y.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. SEP 15 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

7ONY 0 38 SEX

~~NYOUND~~ DEPOT CONN 225P SEP 2 1916

MILFORD
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR

TOMPKINSVILLE NY

SIR IF IT IS NOT TOO LATE I WOULD LIKE TO WITHDRAW MY RESIGNATION AND RETURN TO DUTY AT WHALEROCK OR ANY OTHER PLACE PLEASE NOTIFY ME MONDAY I WILL START RIGHT AWAY

WM HISSEY

6 CLARKSON ST ANSONIA CONN

258P

9/1/16
3rd Asst
RM

JHG

George H. Tooker, Keeper, September 1,1916

Whale Rock Light Station,

Narragansett Pier, R. I.

This office has to-day received a letter from William Hissey, assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station requesting that his resignation be accepted, to take effect immediately.

You are directed to advise this office by return mail of the date on which Hissey left Whale Rock Lt.Sta.

Give this matter your immediate attention.

J. T. YATES,

Inspector

Whale Rock Lt. Sta
Sept 1/16



For

Inspector

asst Keeper left station aug 30
7 am and will not return could not report
sooner acount of fog

Tooker
Keeper

LIGHT
SEP 11 1916
HOUSES

September 8, 1916.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated August 31, 1916, as assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, Rhode Island, at $516 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, to take effect at the close of August 30, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. William Hissey,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

R
C

(73)

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
AUG 14 5 PM 1918
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Lighthouse Inspector, 44 Talbot Street
Tompkinsville Ansonia Conn,
N.Y. Aug 13th 1918.

Sir,

I received your letter of Aug 7th in which you notify me that unless I report for duty on or before the 14th August that your letter to me of June 28th is to be considered Cancelled,

Sir,

I would like to say in reply that when I wrote to you on July 8th stating that I expected to be able to report for duty about July 20th I quite expected to do so, but I was prevented from keeping my agreement I am still prevented from Reporting, and I wish to ask you most respectfully if you will please release me from my agreement, at least for the present time untill I write to you again,

I am still desirous to Join the Service but cannot quite make

arrangements, not just at present.
If you could please let the matter stand over for a little while, I may be able to arrange to go to Stratford Shoals Middle Ground Light Station. I have no objections to going to that Station, as soon as I can see my way clear.

Inspector,
I would like to say that as I agreed to go to Stratford Shoals Light Station, that if you wish to hold me to that agreement, and if you say that you cannot release me, I will keep my word and report for duty.

Hoping that you will please excuse me for any trouble or inconvenience I may have caused you,

I beg to remain
Sir,
Yours very respectfully.
William Hickey.

FILE COPY

75

JHG

Mr. William Hissey, August 7,1918

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

SUBJECT: Position as Additional Keeper.

REFERENCE: Our letter June 28,1918.

In view of the fact that by letter of June 28,1918 you were directed to report at this Depot for duty as Additional Keeper in this District at the earliest possible date, and to the further fact that you have as yet failed to report although your letter of July 8th stated you would report by July 20th; you are informed that unless you report at this Depot, prepared to enter on duty, on or before August 14,1918, letter from this office dated June 28th is to be considered as cancelled.

J. T. YATES.

FILE COPY

75

JHC

William Hissey. July 13,1918

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

SUBJECT: Position as Asst.Keeper.

REFERENCE: Your letter July 8,1918

In reply to your inquiry as to the date on which you are to report for duty; you are informed that it is desired you report for duty at the earliest practicable date.

J. T. YATES.

FILE COPY

73

JHG

Mr. William Hissey, July 9,1918

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

SUBJECT: Position as Additional Keeper

REFERENCE: Our letter June 28,1918.

Advise this office by return mail whether or not you have received the above-mentioned letter directing you to report at this Depot at the earliest possible date for duty as Additional Keeper, and if so when it is your intention to report for duty.

J. T. YATES.

75

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR'S OFFICE
2d DIST.
JUL 9 10 11 1918
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Light House Inspector,
Tompkinsville
N.Y.

44 Holbrook Street
Ansonia Conn,
July 8th 1918.

Sir,

In regard to the position of Additional Keeper to be Stationed at Stratford Shoal Middle Ground Light Station, I wish to say that I have had more trouble in arranging my affairs than I expected to have,

I am writing this letter to you to ask if you will kindly allow me a little more time,

I think that I may be able to report at the Depot at Tompkinsville about the 20th of the month,

If I find that I am unable to report on that date I will notify you before then

Hoping you will please excuse me for any trouble this may cause you

I beg to remain

Sir,

Yours very respectfully,

William A Tracy

FILE COPY

(75)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

JHG

General Depot
Office of Superintendent, 3d Dist.
Tompkinsville, N. Y.

June 28, 1918

Mr. William Hissey,

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

SUBJECT: Position as Additional Keeper,

REFERENCE: Your letter June 26, 1918.

Sir:-

You are informed you have been selected for the position of Additional Keeper at Large in this District, and in accordance therewith are hereby directed to report at this Depot, prepared to enter on duty, as soon as possible after receipt of this letter. You will be taken from this Depot to Stratford Shoal Light Station by tender. Transportation will be at your own expense. Show this letter to the keeper of Stratford Shoal Light Station which will be his authority for assigning you to duty.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES.
Superintendent

Copy forwarded to Keeper of Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta., for his information. Report to this office promptly by mail the date of Hissey's arrival at Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta.

J. T. YATES.

Form 201 (15)

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.

William Hissey,
44 Holbrook Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

Tompkinsville, N.Y., June 21, 1918

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of Additional Keeper for assignment to duty at such stations in the 3rd Lighthouse District at which your services may be required, but for the present assignment to duty will be made to Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta., which station is off shore in Long Island Sound.
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Salary: $456.00 per annum (See MEMO attached) per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3RD DIST. RECEIVED JUN 24 1918 TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Fuel: 10 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J.T.YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? yes,

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service ... No ... If yes, state how

3-14

NOTICE TO ELIGIBLES

NOTE A - Keepers must provide their own furniture except stoves, bedding, kitchen utensils and dishes. No quarters are provided for families of keepers at this station, but family quarters can probably be rented at - - - - Bridgeport, Conn. - - - -

Form 201

(15)

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

It Is Important that this letter be answered promptly

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.

William Hissey,
44 Holbrook Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

Tompkinsville, N.Y., June 21, 1918

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of Additional Keeper for assignment to duty at such stations in the 3rd Lighthouse District at which your services may be required, but for the present assignment to duty will be made to Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta., which station is off shore in Long Island Sound.
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Salary: $456.00 per annum (See MEMO attached) per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3rd DIST. RECEIVED JUN 1918 TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Fuel: 10 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully, J.T.YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

willing to accept the next appointment offered?

restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

by marriage), in the service

state how

M E M O

In accordance with the provisions of a law approved June 12,1917, all salaries below $1200.00 per annum are subject to an increase of ten percent, and-

all salaries from $1200.00 per annum to $1800.00 per annum, inclusive, are subject to an increase of five percent-

during the period from July 1,1917 to June 30,1918. The salary stated for the positions referred to will therefore be subject to said increase during the period stated.

(Signature) William Hissey

(Post-office address) 44 Holbrook St Ansonia Ct

Date June 26th 1918

11—749

Form 201

(15)

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

William Hissey,
44 Holbrook Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.
Tompkinsville, N.Y., June 21, 1918

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of Additional Keeper for assignment to duty at such stations in the 3rd Lighthouse District at which your services may be required, but for the present assignment to duty will be made to Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta., which station is off shore in Long Island Sound.
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Salary: $456.00 per annum (See MEMO attached) per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

LIGHT-HOUSE DIST. JUN 1918 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Fuel: 10 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully, J.T.YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." No If yes, state how many ....; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position ... Department or office ...		
		Position ... Department or office ...		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows: ....

(Signature) William Hissey

(Post-office address) 44 Holbrook St Ansonia Ct

Date June 26th 1918

11—749

75 FILE COPY.

JHC

Mr. William Hissey, June 21, 1918

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

SUBJECT: Position, keeper or asst.keeper.

REFERENCE: Your letter June 17,1918.

If you would like to be considered for the position of Additional Keeper for assignment to Stratford Shoal Light Station, execute the enclosed Form 201, also the enclosed application blank, and return both forms to this office.

J. T. YATES.
Inspector

(75)

File

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
2d DIST.
JUN 17 8 10 1918
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE

Lighthouse Inspector, 4th Distrct
Fort Schuyler N.Y.

Ansonia Conn,
June 17th 1918.

Sir,

I take the liberty of writing this letter to you to ask if you will please consider my requdst to be reinstated in the Lighthouse Service, as Keeper or Asst Keeper,
I would like to say that I am very sorry that I was absent from duty without permission, thereby giving cause for dismissal.
I would also like to state that I left the Keeper at the Light and I knew that he would take care of it, Had I been left in charge of the Light, I would never have left the Station, as I quite realize how important it is that the Light must be cared for, and kept burning under all circumstances.
I wish to say that if you can overlook my past failure and give me another chance in the Service that I will try and

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
2d DIST.
JUN
17
1918
RECEIVED
CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

do better in the future
I beg to remain
Sir,
Yours very respectfully.
William Hissey.

P. S. Sir,

I have made all arrangements for my family, so if I can get another chance I will be alright.
I am willing to go to any Station
W. Hissey.

SMITH-HISSEY.

Bridgeport Man Took Ansonia Girl as Bride Here Yesterday.

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Hissey yesterday afternoon when their daughter, Miss Gertrude Hissey, became the bride of Clarence E. Smith of Bridgeport. The bride was given away by her father. She looked charming in a gown of champagne Georgette crepe richly embroidered with soutache braid. She carried a bouquet of white bride roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Elsie Hissey, sister of the bride, wore a gown of brown satin and carried pink roses. The best man was Russell Beardsley of Stratford.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. N. E. Honnold, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, beneath an arch of autumn leaves and cut flowers. Palms and autumn leaves were used very effectively in the decoration of the home which was very attractive.

The wedding party entered the room to the strains of the wedding march played by Miss Ada Hissey, sister of the bride. Only a few immediate relatives and friends of the bridal pair were present. The bride was the receipient of numerous and beautiful gifts of cut glass, china and silver, and an electric reading lamp from the A. B. & C. mill office where she was employed.

A dainty luncheon was served following the ceremony after which Mr. and Mrs. Smith motored to Bridgeport to take the train for New York on their honeymoon. On their return they will reside on Longview avenue, Stratford, where the groom has a home nicely furnished. They will be at home after November 1.

20554

Lighthouse Inspector, 44 Holbrook Street
Tompkinsville N.Y. Ansonia Conn.
Oct 22nd 1917.

Sir

In one of my last letters to you, written at the end of July or the beginning of August, I mentioned that my daughter was about to get married, and that when she did my wife would be able to make her home with her, and my Son in law, my daughter is now married and ~~Comfortably~~ settled, and my wife could go and live with her at any time, this would relieve me of any worry in regard to my wife, and I would be able to accept appointment to any station as Keeper or asst Keeper,

20554

Sir, I am writing this letter to you to confirm what I told you at that time, so that you will know that what I told you was right.

I have not forgotten that you told me, in your last letter to me, that I would have to wait for a year before I could be employed in the Service again, but I thought I would write this letter to you to let you know that I am all ready to go back in the Service, and that I would be contented to stay and that I would give you no further trouble, now that I know my wife would be alright with my daughter Sir, If there is any way in which I could get back in the Service without waiting for a year to

elapse I should be very glad to
hear from you at any time. but if
there is not I will wait patiently
untill a year as passed and then
I will write to you again,
Sir. I am enclosing in this letter a
cutting from my local paper which
gives an account of the wedding also
I am mailing to you by the same
mail a complete newspaper which
gives an account of my daughters
wedding on the fourth page, and
notice, on front page. I have marked
the paper so you will easly see it
I am doing this to show you that
every thing is alright and as I
told you sometime ago.
You do not need to return either
newspaper or announcement of

wedding as I do not need them again
If I should get back in the Service
as I hope I may, I intend to take
a portable row boat Motor with
me I have made inquiries about one
and I am enclosing letter which I
received, I think the "Neptune"
Motor would be alright. The 5-
Speed motor is a nice one but it
is more money and I think perhaps
the "Neptune" would do almost as
good.

Hoping that I am not troubling you
too much,

I beg to remain
Sir,

Yours very respectfully
William Hisey.

please see other side

Sir.

Where my daughter lives at Shatford, and where my Wife could make her home, is quite near Shatford Point Lighthouse, and quite near Bridgeport only five cent fare from Bridgeport,

Inspector, I feel that I cannot presume on your kindness by troubling you by writing again before the year has elapsed, unless I should hear from you first, but if you can do anything for me now, or at any time before the expiration of one year, I shall be very glad to hear from you at any time, and I will hold myself all ready to accept appointment at any Station any time that you might notify me and I would start on short notice,

Yours respectfully William Hissey.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hissey

announce the marriage of their daughter

Gertrude Alice

to

Mr. Clarence Edward Smith

on Tuesday, October the ninth

one thousand nine hundred and seventeen

Ansonia, Connecticut.

At Home

after October the fourteenth

twenty six Lack Street

Stratford, Connecticut.

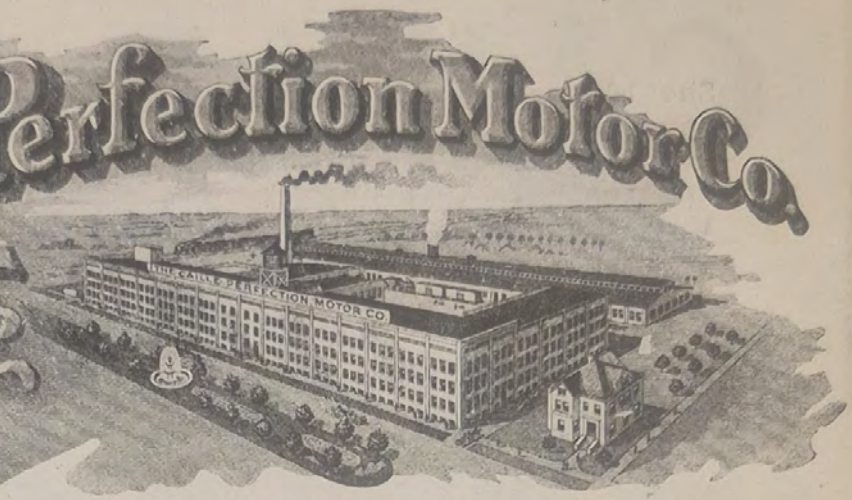
15

Mr Yates
Lighthouse Inspector
Tompkinsville
N.Y.

CAPITAL STOCK $300,000.

THE Caille Perfection Motor Co.

MARINE AND STATIONARY
PERFECTION ENGINES



CABLE ADDRESS
"PERMOTOR"

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO COMPANY, NOT INDIVIDUALS.

LARGEST TWO-CYCLE ENGINE PLANT IN THE WORLD

DETROIT, U. S. A. Oct. 11, 1917.

Mr. William Hissey,
Ansonia, Conn.

Dear sir:-

At your request we are sending under separate cover catalogue describing and illustrating CAILLE PORTABLE ROW BOAT MOTORS.

The CAILLE 5-Speed Motor is far ahead in design, construction and equipment of any other rowboat motor on the market. Exclusive CAILLE features consist of the 5-Speed device; controlled like an automobile with two speeds ahead, two reverse and a neutral; water cooled silencer and float-feed carburetor.

Our starting device does away with cranking - just a light pull on the strap and the motor starts. This is a tremendous advantage over the old cranking method - women and children start the motor easily. The device is worth many times the small additional cost.

The Neptune Model, described on pages 21 and 22, is equal to any other rowboat motor on the market with the sole exception of the CAILLE 5-Speed Motor and sell at a more moderate price.

Our experience has shown that one rowboat motor in use always results in more business; consequently we want to place one with you, so make you a special offer subject to your immediate acceptance.

If you will send us your order for a motor and agree to demonstrate it to your friends, or to anyone interested in such a motor, will allow you a special discount of 10%. You can also sell motors for us if you wish, and on every sale we will allow you a commission of 10%. As an inducement to possible purchasers you may offer them also a special discount of 10%.

To help you sell motors we will supply you with catalogues, hangers, weatherproof signs, circulars and order blanks.

814

Lighthouse Inspector
Tompkinsville N.Y.

44 Holbrook St
Arcenia Conn
August 20th 1917

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
3d DIST.
AUG
1917
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

Sir,

I am aware that you do not require an acknowledgement of the receipt of my pay check, but as I am writing to you on another subject, I thought it would be alright for me to mention that I received the check safely and that it was quite satisfactory,

The personal question sheets and the oath of office, I mailed them to your Office on the 3rd of this present month by special delivery, I assume that you received them alright,

Sir, What I wish to write to you about is as follows, I do not

know for certain whether or not the employes of the Lighthouse Service are subject to be drafted for Service in the Army, if such should be the case it might create a number of vacancies, and in that event if the rules of the Service would allow of your doing so, you might be inclined to temporarily suspend that rule of the Service, where it says that I will have to wait one year before I can try for the Service again,

Sir, If you can do this, and would be willing to suspend the rule in my case, I shall be more than glad if you would please let me know at any time,

Sir, I also would like to say that I would be willing to accept

temporary employment in the Service for the duration of the War, with the understanding that I should be removed, and that the regular man should have his position back when he returned,

Hoping that you will excuse me for troubling you and that you may give this your favorable consideration,

I remain

Sir

Yours respectfully.

William Hicey.

Wm Raymond Haskell. 444 Holbrook Ave
Superintendant. Arvonia Va
Lighthouse Inspectors. Office
Tompkinsville N.Y. July 18th 1917

LIGHT-HOUSE 39 JUL 19 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 16th in which you tell me you can give me no information at this time.

When the Inspector returns I would be glad if his attention could be called to my letters particularly to the one of July 14th in which I state that if necessary I can have my wife and boy make there home with my eldest daughter until such time as I can get to a Station where I could have them with me under this arrangement I could go to any Station and I should

be satisfied to remain there untill
could be transfered to a Station in the
regular way where my family could be
with me.

Thanking you for your courtesy in
replying to my letter

I remain

Sir

Yours respectfully
William Kidney.

P. S. Of course we would rather go to the
Bridgeport Light if it could be
arranged W. K.

Light House Inspector, A to C 4th Holbrook Street
Tompkinsville N.Y. Ansonia Conn

July 8th 1917

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. JUL 9 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Sir.

I take the liberty of again writing to you and I hope that you will be patient and read it through I admit that I was greatly at fault in being absent from duty but I told you the truth when I said I was sick I was also greatly worried about my family I would like to say that I hope you will not dismiss me from the Service altogether.

Sir. In my previous letter to you I asked if it would be possible for you to send me to the Bridgeport Harbor Light when you make a change there as it would be a very nice thing for

my Wife and Boy and myself if we could go to that Light, or there may be some other Light similar to the Bridgeport Light that you could send me to either up this way or somewhere else

If you cannot do anything for me such as I have mentioned why then I would like to say that I have made certain arrangements for my family so that I think they will be alright and I am willing to return to duty any place you think proper to send me, and I will try and get along until such time as you may transfer me to a Station where I could have my family with me

Sir, If it should be that you have already made a decision in my case and if you have decided to remove me from the Service I wish to ask

you most earnestly if you wont please reconsider your decision and let me return to duty in due time

I am willing to be suspended from duty or punished in any way that you think proper but please do not dismiss me from the Service

I think and hope that if you will let me return to duty that I will be able to go along alright and that I shall cause you no further trouble

Hoping that this will meet with your favorable consideration

I remain

Sir.

Your respectfully.

William Steely.

LIGHT
JUL 17 1917
HOUSES

J 1

July 17, 1917.

15

Sir:

It having been charged that you absented yourself from duty without authority, as set forth in letter dated the 22nd ultimo from the Inspector of the Third Lighthouse District, and the charges having been established in a degree sufficient to warrant such action, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has dismissed you from the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, at $516 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, effective at the close of June 5, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. William Hissey,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

L
C

FWO-WJL

Mr. William Hissey,
44 Holbrook Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

July 16, 1917.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 14th 1917 and also your letter of July 8th.

In reply you are advised that no information can be furnished you at this time in addition to that given in letter from this office dated June 28th.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector.

Respectfully,

Raymond Haskell

Superintendent

Lighthouse Inspector,
Tompkinsville N.Y.

44 Holbrook Spl Del
Aveonia



July 14th 1917

Sir,

I wrote a letter to you on July 8th in which I told you that I had made certain arrangements for my family so that I would be able to return to duty to any station you might think proper to send me.

Sir, I am writing this letter to further confirm my previous letter and also to tell you of the arrangement that I have in view.

My eldest daughter is to be married in a few weeks and we have made arrangements for my Wife and boy to make their home with my daughter and my boy is working

and getting pretty good pay so that I think they will be alright

This arrangement will relieve me of all worry concerning my family and I could return to duty at any Station and I should give you no further trouble

Of Course if you could have arranged for us to go to the Bridgeport Light or some similar Light we should have liked it very much but if you cannot do that I would be glad to return to duty at Old Orchard Shoals Light Station, or Whale Rock Light, or I would be glad to go anywhere, and I will stay untill I can get transfered in the regular way to a station where my Wife and boy can be with me.

Sir, As I said in one of my previous

letters. I have lived in this part of the Country for nearly thirty years, and am well aquainted with the water round about the Bridgeport Light, that is the reason I would like to go there if it could have been arranged I would have waited for that Light untill you made a change.

But if you cannot do that for me, why then I am prepared to go to any Light where you would send me, and as I have made arrangements for my family I shall be able to stay untill I can get transferd to another Station in due time;

Hoping you will excuse me for troubling you so much, I remain

Sir

Yours respectfully William Hussey.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

WJL

Office of Inspector, Third Dist.

Tompkinsville, N.Y., July 11, 1917.

LIGHT JUL 12 1917 HOUSES

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR 3RD DIST. JUL 16 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Washington, D. C.

No reply has been received from the Bureau to communication (letter) from this office dated June 26,1917 on the subject of William Hissey, assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, N.Y.

J.T. Yates.

HB Bureau of Lighthouses July 13, 1917.

Returned with statement that this case is before the Department for action.

Acting Commissioner

To be forwarded in duplicate. Indicate in blank space above inclosed in parentheses character of the communication, that is, whether letter, indorsement, Form 70, Form 80, Form 97, etc.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
2d DIST.
JUL
3
1917
RECEIVED

Lighthouse Inspector, 44 Gilbrook Street -
Comptonville N.Y. Ansonia Conn.
July 1st 1917

Sir,

I am glad to be able to inform you that I have been successful in making arrangements for my family so that they will be alright until I can get to a Station where I could have them with me,

If you will kindly allow me to return to duty now everything will be alright and I will give you no further trouble

I remain

Sir,

Yours respectfully
William Hiscock
(Lately on the Old Orchard Shoal
Has been recommended)

Lighthouse Inspector, 44 Holbrook Street
Tompkinsville N.Y. at Ansonia Conn,
June 30 1917

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST.
JUL 2
1917
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

Sir,

I received your letter dated June 28th in which you notify me not to return to duty at Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, and I thank you for saving me a useless journey as I had quite intended to return on Monday.

I shall anxiously await your final decision,

I hope that you will take as lenient a view of my case as the rules of the Service will allow

I would like to say that I am pritty well aquanted around Penfield

Reef Light Station and that I would be glad to go there.

In fact I have such a liking for the Lighthouse Service that rather than leave the Service I will return to duty anywhere you will send me and I will try and get along the best I can untill such time as you can fix me up for a Station such as the Bridgeport Light where I can have my Wife and Boy with me

I am writing to Mr Eptkins Keeper Old Orchard Light by the same mail and am enclosing full renumeration for my expences while at the Light.

I wish to express deep regret for the trouble I have caused you

and your department and I thank you for your patience and forbearance in this matter

I hope that you will allow me to return to duty somewhere in due time

I beg to remain
Sir
Your very respectfully
William Kiecy

Lighthouse Inspector,
Tompkinsville N.Y.

44 Holbrook Street
Arverne Boro,
June 28th 1917

Sir.

444 pm

Not having heard from you in regard to my last two letters I think it probable that you may not be able to do any thing for me such as I request,
I would like to say that I only asked for the sake of my family it would have been such a nice thing for us if you could have obliged us in this matter,
Personaly I had no fault to find with Old Orchard Light,
I wish to say that unless I receive orders to the contrary

that I expect to return to duty at Old Orchard Light Station Monday next, without fail,

Hoping that if you can do nothing for me regarding the Bridgeport Light or some other Light up this way that you will allow me to return to Old Orchard Light Station or some other Light as I do not desire to leave the Lighthouse Service if I can possibly help it,

I beg to remain

Sir

Yours respectfully.

William Hickey.

a d c

1



Received by phone at 8:50 A.M., June 27,1917

Telegram from Postal Telegraph Co.

Derby, Conn.

June 27,1917

Lighthouse Inspector

Tompkinsville, N.Y.

Please make no decision in my case yet. Wait for special delivery letter to-day. Answer prepaid.

HISSEY

BOND
HAWKEBWIFF

POSTAL TELEGRAPH – COMMERCIAL CABLES

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

TELEGRAM

RECEIVED AT 8.45 A.M.

DELIVERY No. 3NY

The Postal Telegraph-Cable Company (Incorporated) transmits and delivers this message subject to the terms and conditions printed on the back of this blank.

16-638 DESIGN PATENT No. 40529

7-6 71

QUARANTINE, N. Y
PHONE 71 Tompkinsville.

WO BG 16

June 27th .17

Derby Conn. 27

LightHouse Inspector,
Tompkinsville N.Y.

Please make no decision in my case yet wait for special delivery letter today answer prepaid.

Missey.

DUPLICATE OF TELEGRAM TELEPHONED
Received by
Time

FB Troup

Lighthouse Inspector
Tompkinsville N.Y.

144 Stolbrook Street
Aurora Conn.
June 27th 1917

A & C

Sir.

Refering to my last letter to you in which I ask if it would be possible for you to keep my name on file at your Office until such time as there might be a vacancy for Keeper at the Bridgeport Harbor Light.

I would like to say that I am still desirous to go there and it would be such a nice thing for my Wife and Boy.

If you could arrange this in any possible way you would be doing me more of a kindness then I could

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3d DIST. RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

till you, myself and Wife and Boy would be So Happy and comfortable there and I have lived in this part of the Country so long that I am quite familiar with the water round the Light and I could handle the Light and Station so nicely we would be willing to wait patiently untill a Vacancy occur.

But on the other hand if there is no possible chance and you can give me no encouragement regarding that Light why then I will be glad if you will allow me to return to Old Orchard Light or any where you think proper I am sorry to give you so much trouble I regret it very much, anxiety about my family has caused me to act as I have,

I am all ready to start for duty at Old Orchard Light Station,
I would be glad if you will send me word either by Telegraph at my expence or by letter if I can go back

I remain

Sir

Youre Respectfully
William Hickey.

Sir, If you cannot possibly fit me up for the Bridgeport Light perhaps you could consider me for a similar Light around New Haven, I mean similar in this respect as one man Station where I could have my Wife and Boy with me I do not want a shore Station I would prefer to be off shore a little distance

over

as I like to be out on the water and
my Wife and Boy do also,
we would not care what kind of a
structure or what design so long
as we could be together
my Boy is a fine strapping boy
of 16 years and can handle a Boat
fine I feel sure that if you
could fit me and my Wife and Boy
for the Bridgeport Light or some
other one man Station that you
would never be sorry for doing me
this kindness,

I do not want to leave the Service
if I can possibly help it
please arrange so I wont-
have to leave you will be
doing me a great favor,

FWO-WJL

June 28,1917.

Mr.William Hissey,
44 Holbrook Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated June 27th 1917.
In reply you are advised that you are not to return to and resume duty as assistant keeper at Old Orchard Shoal Light Station. You will be advised later as to the disposition of your case.

Respectfully,

J T Yates

****

Office of Inspector,3rd Lighthouse District,
Tompkinsville,N.Y.June 28,1917.
Copy forwarded to William J.Epkens,Keeper,Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, c/o William Decker, 17 William Street, Tompkinsville, N.Y., for his information.

J T Yates

JHG

15

June 27,1917

William J. Epkens, Keeper,
Old Orchard Shoal Light Station,
C/O William Decker,
17 William Street,
Stapleton, N. Y.

You are directed to return to this office letter dated June 6,1917 addressed to William Hissey enclosing Form 206 re his physical examination by the Public Health Service.

J. T. YATES,
Inspector

Received July 5-1917

BOND

JHG

June 26,1917

Commissioner:

The following correspondence re William Hissey, assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, is enclosed for the consideration of the Bureau:-

1. Letter dated June 12,1917 from keeper Epkens.
2. Copy of letter dated June 18,1917 to Asst.Keeper Hissey.
3. Letter dated June 20,1917 from Keeper Epkens.
4. Letter dated June 20,1917 from William Hissey.
5. Copy of letter of charges dated June 22,1917 addressed to Hissey.
6. Letter dated June 25,1917 from Hissey.

Mr.Hissey entered the service as Assistant Keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station on June 2nd,1917, and on June 5th,1917 was given permission by the keeper to go ashore and have his oath of office sworn to, and has since failed to return to his station or to submit the oath of office, personal question sheets,etc. While his explanation that he is sick with stomach trouble might justify his absence from duty, his failure to report the reason for this absence and probable length of absence to the keeper of the station and also to this office, is inexcusable, and indicates that he is not sufficiently reliable to be retained for employment in the Lighthouse Service, where reliability and attention to duty are very essential qualifications. The keepers at this station are not allowed to take more than 48 hours consecutive leave without furnishing a substitute when greater leave is desired. In addition to his failure to report the reason of his absence, he also failed to apply for leave and to furnish a substitute.

In view of the conduct of Mr.Hissey, as described above, it is recommended that he be dismissed from the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, effective at the close of June 5,1917, the date on which he left the station.

Mr.Hissey has not been granted leave in excess of the accrued amount.

J. T. YATES.

COPY-EJC.

10-6

44 Holbrook St.,Ansonia,Conn.,June 25,1917

Lighthouse Inspector,
Tompkinsville,N.Y.

Sir:-

I received your letter dated June 18th in which you ask for a report of the reason I was absent from my duties at Old Orchard Shoal Light Station. Sir, I answered that letter on the 21st I mailed the letter before 8 o'clock in the morning at the Post Office it should have been delivered to your office the same day. In that letter I explained that I had been sick butmx that I expected to be able to return to duty on the 25th that is today.

On June 23rd I received a second letter from your office charging me with being absent and asking for a statement.

Sir I am afraid that any statement I can make will appear very lame. I have been sick but I am better now but I do not think I will be able to return to duty.

My wife and myself do not see how we could get along if I have to maintain a home on shore for my family, and for me to live at the Light, we are afraid that we could not afford to do that.Ofcourse I know that I should have thought of that before, but I was so very desirous of getting in the service that I in a manner closed my eyes to that part of it.

Sir, I am afraid that perhaps from the way I have acted you may think that I have been trifling with you and with your department. I assure you that such is not the case.

When I asked for reinstatement I was quite sincere and when you were kind enough to give me another chance I cannot tell you how glad I was.

And tonight as I write this letter to you I am full of regret as I should like it above all things if I could see my way clear to continue in the Service.

You say in your letter to me that any statement that I make must be couched in temperate language. I hope I have never given you any cause to think that I would write to you in any other way.

Sir, I can assure you that I have never had the least idea of treating you or your department in any way except with the greatest of respect.

Sir,there is one thing I would like to say altho I am afraid there is very little chance of it doing me any good. It is this.

I am pretty well acquainted with the Keeper at the Bridgeport Harbor Light and he has told me that he is anxious to get a transfer to a shore station. I am betraying no confidence in telling you this as I have no doubt that he has an application in for a transfer.

Now what I would like to say is this. If it would be possible for you to keep my name on file at your office until you make a change and if you would then consider me for that light if you could do this both my wife and myself would be very pleased to to there as

we could get along nicely and I am sure you would be well pleased with the way we would care for the light. I understand the light and the fog signal at the Bridgeport Harbor Light and the light on the Breakwater. I would attend to that. I am right at home there. If we could get that light my wife and boy could livexx there with me and we could get along fine. I could do all repairs and I understand the painting inside and out. My box who is sixteen years of age would be a great help to me.

We would wait for that light until there was a change made and we would be ready to go there at any time when notified.

Sir, I do not know if this is the last letter I shall ever write to you. I hope not but if it is I would like to take this opportunity to apologize to you for any unnecessary trouble or inconvenience I may have caused you. I can assure you it was quite unintentional, and I would like to thank you for what you have done for me and for your uniform courtesy throughout.

I beg to remain
Sir,
Yours very respectfully,
Sgd. William Hissey.

The Bridgeport Harbor Light is quite close to my home where I have lived for nearly thirty years. It would be fine if we could go there.

PICTURE

COPY OF POST CARD ATTACHED.

Where my wife and boy and myself would like to be stationed if it were possible.
Sgd. William Hissey,
44 Holbrook ~~AVE~~ St.,
Ansonia, CONN.

Mr. Yates
Lighthouse Inspector,
Tompkinsville, N.Y.

(PICTURE OF BRIDGEPORT HARBOR LIGHT ON REVERSE OF CARD.)

June 22, 1917

Aspinall

Hold up pay of Hisey
as per Keeper of Oakland
Shoal Light for June -
pending settlement of
charges - Don't draw check.

JHG

REGISTERED MAIL
RECEIPT REQUESTED

15 5

William Hissey,

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

June 22,1917

You are hereby charged with being absent from duty as assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York, without leave, you having been granted permission by the keeper on June 5th to go ashore for the purpose of having your oath of office sworn to, and having failed to return to your station up to June 20th,1917, the last date on which this office heard from the keeper, and with having failed to inform this office of the reason of your absence.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make, through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

If you desire to make no statement you will so state in writing.

J. T. YATES.
Inspector

4

COPY-EJC.

ANSONIA, CONN.,
June 20th, 1917.

Lighthouse Inspector,
Tompkinsville, N.Y.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter asking for explanation regarding my absence from duty, I would like respectfully to say that I came ashore to get my papers signed and sworn to ahd have been quite sick with stomach trouble probably due to change of food or change of air at the Light. I did notify the Keeper and if I had expected to be away so long I should have written to you also and explained but I have been expecting to return every day. That is the reason I did not write to you, and I knew that the Keeper was well stocked with provisions so I thought he would be alright till I got back.

I hope to be able to return to duty on Monday the 25th.

Hoping this explanation will be satisfactory,

I remain,

Sir,

Yours respectfully,

William Hissey,
Asst. Keeper for Old Orchard Shoal.

COPY-EJC.

3

OLD ORCHARD SHOAL LIGHT STATION,
June 20,1917xx

Inspector:-

In a letter dated June 12th I had to report that my newly appointed Asst.Wm.Hissey, of 44 Holbrook St.,Ansonia,Conn., had left this Station on the 5th with my permission to get some papers filled out before a Notary Public.

On the 11th he sent a telegram that he was sick having having heard since nothing of him and thinking that he had advised the Dist.Office, more details I expected a new man being sent down from the Office every day. This day(20th) I got a letter from him wanting to know if it were all right for him to come back inform - ing at the same time that the papers which he wanted to get filled out and for which papers especially I gave him permission he had either lost or left at the Station.

Being a man entirely unsuited for the position of Lighthouse Keeper laking all the essential qualities required, it will be apparent out of his actions that a man so flagrantly neglecting his duty on the very outset of nis new career cannot possibly leave any hope for improvement in the future.

I for my part dont want him come back but certainly have to abide by orders.

I have had a hard time here lately but rather will try to manage alone for a while than to have that duti forgotten awkward fellow here again.

The last two men I have been blessed with were certainly the limit, but they became "Cold Feet" as soon as they got out here and I hope I am for the sake of the Service well ridd of them.

Sgd.Wm.J.Epkens,Keeper,

P.S. Pleased to announce that John Van Iderstein has just arrived 9:20 a.m.

W.E.

I beg respectfully for information as to the matter of WillismHissey but rather wish that the Office deal with him.

COPY-EJC.

OLD ORCHARD SHOAL LIGHT STATION,
June 12,1917.

Inspector:-

Regret to report that my newly appointed Assistant William Hissey of Ansonia,Conn., has left this Station on the 5th of June and has not shown up since.

He went ashore with my permission to go to a Notary Public in Stapleton to have some papers filled out. On the 11th he sent a telegram(Per 17 William St.,Tompkinsville)from Derb ,Conn/.,saying that he was sick.

As no doubt he has notified the District office also and in more detail I respectfully beg for information in the matter as I need an Assistant here sorely in this kind of wheather when I have to run the fog signal dayand night and getting no rest getting near to a break down as I have for the last three months been obliged to do all the work and watching.

Hoping to have better luck in the future with my assistants as regards their ability and qualities I regret to be compelled to send this kind of a report .

Sgd.Wm.J.Epkens.

JES

2

William Hissey, June 18,1917

6 Clarkson Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

The keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station has advised this office that on June 5th he gave you permission to go ashore to have your oath sworn to before a Notary Public, with the understanding that you were to return to the station promptly. He also states that on June 11th you sent him a telegrem stating you were sick.

You are directed to submit to this office by retail mail a full and detailed report of the reason of your absence from your station without permission, and also why you neglected to advise this office of the reason of your absence. You are also directed to state whether or not you intend to return to your duties, and if so, when.

J. T. YATES,
Inspector

Laborer Van Ostentine sent to assist Kpr 6/20

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

JHG

Hussey

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR 2D DIST. JUN 6 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

June 4, 1917

William J. Epkens ..... Keeper
Old Orchard Shoal ..... Light Station,
Stapleton, N. Y. .....

Furnish the information called for below in regard to Assistant Keeper ... William W. Hissey ... and return this sheet to this office.

Be careful to see that the information given is accurate.

Height ... 5 ... feet ... 10 1/2 ... inches.

Weight ... 180 ... pounds

Color of Hair ... dark brown

Color of eyes ... blue

Distinguishing marks ... no

J. T. YATES
Inspector

Date ... June 5th ... 1917

Returned to Inspector, the information requested having been inserted above.

William J. Epkens ... Keeper

7-5-17
Dismissed from Service before taking examination
JHG

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. JUL 5 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

JHG

r-3-105

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMFKINSVILLE, N. Y.

June 6,1917

William Hissey, Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta.
Stapleton, N. Y.

Enclosed is Form 206 "Record of Physical Examination of Light Keeper or Assistant Light Keeper", addressed to the United States Public Health Service, requesting that you be given a physical examination, for the purpose of determining whether or not you are entitled to medical relief without charge at hospitals and other stations of the Public Health Service, pursuant to the Act of Congress, approved Auguse 28,1916. A copy of the provision contained in said Act is quoted in District Circular Letter No.187, dated May 21,1917.

Under the terms thereof it will be necessary for you to submit to said examination and be found physically qualified before you will be entitled to the benefits provided for by the Act of August 28,1916. As said benefits will be solely to your personal advantage it is to your interest to give this matter attention at the earliest opportunity.

After you have been given a physical examination by the medical officer designated on attached Form 206, said Form 206 will be returned to you by the medical officer. You will then send it to this office so that it may be recorded, after which it will be returned to you. The original copy of Form 206 will then be your property, and you are directed to preserve it and keep it in your possession for future reference.

J. T. YATES
Inspector

Keeper to sign Form 206, where marked B, and assistant keeper to sign where marked A.

J. T. Yates

Form 206 File No. 5

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF LIGHT KEEPER OR ASSISTANT LIGHT KEEPER

IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL RELIEF BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

JHC

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 3rd District,

Place, Tompkinsville, N. Y.

Date, June 6,1917, 191

To the Medical Officer in Charge,
U. S. Public Health Service,

Stapleton, N. Y.

Sir:

Please examine William Riesey, assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta.

nativity, England; age, 49; height, 5 feet 10½ inches;

weight, 180 pounds; color of hair, dark brown; color of eyes, blue

distinguishing marks, None

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.

A

(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.)

B

Witnessed by Keeper, Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta.

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

Place,

Date, , 191

To Lighthouse Inspector,

Sir: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of , 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.

Surgeon, U. S. Public Health Service.

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

11—5999

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

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

INSPECTOR 3RD DIST. JUL 5 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT,

PLACE, Tompkinsville, N. Y.

DATE, June 6,1917, 191

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

Stapleton, N. Y.

SIR:

Please examine William Hissey, assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta.

nativity, England; age, 49; height, 5 feet, 10½ inches;

weight, 180 pounds; color of hair, dark brown; color of eyes, blue

distinguishing marks, None

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,

J. F. Yates
Lighthouse Inspector.

A

(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.)

B

Witnessed by Keeper, Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta.

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE,

DATE, , 191

To LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR,

SIR: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of , 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.

Surgeon, U. S. Public Health Service.

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

11—5999

Form 201 JHG

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

William-Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR. 3rd DIST.,

Tompkinsville, N. Y., July 25, 1916

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3d DIST. JUL 27 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Assistant Keeper of Rockland Lake Lt.Sta.off shorein Hudson River

Salary: $480.00 per annum.

Quarters:
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Quarters are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)

Fuel: 6 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year for 2 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State rules concerning rations at this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J T YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes,

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

3-2

NOTICE TO ELIGIBLES

NOTE A - Keepers must provide their own furniture except stoves, bedding, kitchen utensils and dishes. No quarters are provided for families of Keepers at this station, but family quarters can probably be rented at Rockland Lake N.Y.

NOTE B - Ration allowance of 30 cents per day will be paid by check, and the employee must provide himself with all necessary provisions. Keepers are not required to board assistant keepers.

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty? Ans. 6 Days

In 6 Days or sooner if necessary

(Signature) William Hissey.

Date, July 26th 1916 (Post-office address) 6 Clarkson St Ansonia Conn.

11—749

Form 201 JHG

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.,

Tompkinsville, N. Y., July 25, 1916

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3rd DIST. JUL 27 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Assistant Keeper of Rockland Lake Lt.Sta.off shorein Hudson River

Salary: $480.00 per annum.

Quarters:
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Quarters are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)

Fuel: 6 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year for 2 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes,

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." No If yes, state how many ____; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows:

(Signature) William Hissey.

Date, July 26th 1916 (Post-office address) 6 Clarkson St. Ansonia Conn.

11—749

1C

7J

1

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3d DIST. JUL 27 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Light house Inspector
Tompkinsville N.Y

6 Clarkson Street
Aurora Cayuga Co. N.Y.
July 26th 1916.

Sir.

I am returning your letter duly filled out and Signed.
You will notice that I have said that I could report for duty in Six (6) days after being notified.
I would like to give 6 days notice if you can wait. but if you cannot wait so long I will come right away if necessary rather than loose the appointment

I remain
Sir
Your Respectfully.
William Kiesley

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

1190

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

16

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

William Hissey
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Ct.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.,

Tompkinsville, N.Y., Aug. 11, 1916. 191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of Additional Keeper for assignment to duty at such stations in the 3rd Lighthouse District at which your services may be required, but for the present assignment to duty will be made to Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta., which station is off shore in Long Island Sound

(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for Keepers. (See attached Note A)

(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 10 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year

(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)

(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions ow and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J T YATES

---

following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you?.....

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?.....

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?.....

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

.....

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." ..... If yes, state how many .....; and fill in the following blanks.

Similar letter to:-
~~William Hissey~~ not served
James Bachmann
Fred V. Baker
G. N. Thomas
P. A. Meehan
R. H. Ebbitts
W.F.Woodward

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position.....		
		Department or office.....		
		Position.....		
		Department or office.....		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

8-21-16 Cancelled

Man reinstated to fill position

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows: .....

.....

.....

.....

(Signature) .....

(Post-office address) .....

Date, ...

11—749

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

William Hissey
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonio, Ct.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR. 3rd Dist. 32 DIST. AUG 15 1916 TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Tompkinsville, N.Y., Aug. 11, 1916. 191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of Additional
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)
Keeper for assignment to duty at such stations in the 3rd Lighthouse District at which your services may be required, But for the present assignment to duty will be made to Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta., which station is off shore in Long Island Sound

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for Keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 10 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J T YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

3-2

NOTICE TO ELIGIBLES

NOTE A - Keepers must provide their own furniture except stoves, bedding, kitchen utensils and dishes. No quarters are provided for families of keepers at this station, but family quarters can probably be rented at Port Jefferson N.Y.

NOTE B - Ration allowance of 30 cents per day will be paid by check, and the employee must provide himself with all necessary provisions. Keepers are not required to board assistant keepers.

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty? When required

(Signature) William Hissey.

Date, Aug 12th 1916

(Post-office address) 6 Clarkson St Ansonia Conn

11—749

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

William Hissey
6 Clarkson St.,
Anconio, Ct.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd Dist.

Tompkinsville, N.Y., Aug. 11, 1916. 191

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. AUG 15 1916 COMMANDER N.Y.

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of Additional Keeper for assignment to duty at such stations in the 3rd Lighthouse District at which your services may be required, but for the present assignment to duty will be made to Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta., which station is off shore in Long Island Sound
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for Keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 10 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J T YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." No. If yes, state how any ....; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows: ....

(Signature) William Hissey.

Date, Aug 12th 1916 (Post-office address) 6 Clarkson St Anconia Conn

11—749

Form 56

TELEGRAM

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

IDENTIFICATION CARD NO. 15

RECEIVER'S No.	TIME FILED	CHECK
		PAID, GOVERNMENT RATE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Tompkinsville N Y
August 21 1916, 191
(Place and date)

SEND TO William Hisney

6 Clarkson Street

Ansonia Connecticut

Report for duty Whale Rock Light Station earliest possible date

HASKELL

CHARGE BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, WASHINGTON, D. C.

APPROPRIATION FOR "GENERAL EXPENSES, LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE."

In the absence & by direction of Inspector

ATTEST: Raymond Haskell, Asst

Supt., 3rd L.H. District

(Name)

Tompkinsville, N.Y.

(Title)

11—4649

Gav – JHG.
Aspne –

JHG

15

Mr. William Hissey,
6 Clarkson Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

August 21, 1916

Sir:-

Referring to your appointment to the position of assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station.

Confirming telegram sent you to-day, you are hereby directed to report for duty as assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station at the earliest possible date. Transportation will be at your own expense.

In the absence and by direction of Inspector.

Respectfully,

HASKELL

Superintendent

Copy forwarded to keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, for his information. Advise this office promptly by letter of the date on which Hissey enters on duty.
In the absence and by direction of Inspector.

HASKELL

Superintendent

E O D Aug. 23-1916

Justice
Gov.

8-19-16
We telegram
this date
Y

15



Light-house Inspector,
Tompkinsville
N.Y.

6 Clarkson Street
Ansonia Conn,
Aug 18th 1916,

Sir,

It is with very great regret that I write this letter to you as I have to tell you at the last moment that I will not be able to accept the appointment that you have so kindly offerd me.

It is very hard for me to write this as I know I have given you a lot of trouble and I am afraid you will think very badly of me as my conduct must seem inexcusable.

But I can assure you most earnestly that when I put in my application that I had every intention of accepting any appointment that might be offered to me. and I had up to the last. and if I consulted my own wishes in the matter I should not hesitate

a moment as it has been my great desire for a number of years to join the Lighthouse Service, as if it is a Job that would suit me fine. I should have joined the Service years ago only that I was waiting on account of my family I thought if I entered the Service it might work some hardship upon them so I waited untill I thought the oppotunity had come.
But at the last moment my family do not seem in favor of me taking the appointment and then again I have recently had an increase in my salary where I am employed
And so while it is a great disapointment to me to give up this appointment as I had set my heart on it very much I feel also that perhaps it would be selfish to accept as it might not be for the best interests of my family I dont think you ever had a man enter the Service that had such a great desire to be a Lighthouse Keeper than what I have and I think if I could have

seen my way clear to enter the service I think that I could have succeeded and have given satisfaction
So I am sorry to ask you to please cancel my appointment and to give the Station to another man
Of course I do not know what the future holds in store for me it might be possible at some future time for me to see my way more clear but I can hardly expect after the way I have treated you that I could ever have another chance
I wish to thank you most sincerely for you kindness and courtesy all through this matter and for giving me a chance I am only sorry I could not accept it
Hoping you will not think any worse of me than you can help as I assure you I never intended to treat you in this way

I beg to remain
Sir
Your very respectfully
William Mccoy.

Form 1204

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

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT BELVIDERE BROOKS, VICE-PRESIDENT

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

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

AUG 20 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

RECEIVED AT ST. GEORGE, S.I., N.Y.

7NY TI 22

ANSONIA CONN AUG 19 1916 749 AM

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR,

TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

PLEASE CANCEL LETTER I MAILED YOU YESTERDAY HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO GO TO WHALEROCK AM ALL READY AND WAITING FOR FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

WM HESSEY.

812AM

Recd
8 5c "
8-19-16
3

JHG

August 16,1916

Mr. William Hissey,

6 Clarkson Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

Sir:-

You are informed that you have been appointed to the position of assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, and in accordance therewith are hereby directed to enter on duty in that position as soon as definite orders are sent you. You will be notified by telegraph within a few days as to the definite date on which you are to report for duty. Transportation will be at your own expense. Show this letter to the keeper, which will be his authority for assigning you to duty. The keeper of Whale Rock has been directed to be on the lookout for you after you are given definite orders to go. The keeper's name and address are Geo. H. Tooker, Narragansett Pier, R. I.

Respectfully,

J T YATES

Inspector

Tompkinsville, N.Y.
August 16,1916

Copy forwarded to keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, for his information.
Report to this office promptly by mail of the date on which Hissey enters on duty as assistant keeper of Whale Rock.
Be on the lookout for Hissey for a day or two after Mr.Miller leaves the station, so as to land him at Whale Rock upon his arrival at Narragansett Pier.

J. T. YATES,

Inspector

Form 56 JSL

TELEGRAM

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

IDENTIFICATION CARD NO.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. N.Y. AUG 16 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

RECEIVER'S No.	TIME FILED	CHECK
		PAID, GOVERNMENT RATE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Washington D C August 15 1916 191
(Place and date)

SEND TO Lighthouse Inspector Saint George New York

Hissey appointed Whale Rock effective August sixteen or thereafter

CONWAY

CONFIRMATION

CHARGE BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, WASHINGTON, D. C.

APPROPRIATION FOR "GENERAL EXPENSES, LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE."

ATTEST:

(Name)
Acting Commissioner

(Title)

11—4649

Form 1204

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

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT BELVIDERE BROOKS, VICE-PRESIDENT

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

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

RECEIVED AT ST GEORGE, S I., N Y.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. AUG 15 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

24 NY TI 13 GOVT.

DC WASHINGTON D.C. AUG 15 1916 1147AM

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR

ST GEORGE N.Y.

HISSEY APPOINTED WHALEROCK EFFECTIVE AUGUST SIXTEEN OR THEREAFTER

CONWAY

1215PM.

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
AUG 16 1916
HOUSES

August 15, 1916.

Mr. William Hissey,

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, Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen 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 Third Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Light

Vice: George H. Tooker.

Legal Residence: Connecticut.

(S

William Hissey, Asst. Keeper,
Whale Rock Light Station,
Narragansett Pier, R.I.

William Hissey $516.a.
Asst. Kpr. Whale Rock,
Light Station.

Form 73

JHG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT.

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) August 11 1916 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Through Sec'y, 2nd Civil Service Dist.)

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, William Hissey

Position, Assistant Keeper

Location, Whale Rock Light Station, R.I.

Effective August 16, 1916

Legal residence, Connecticut

Salary, $519 per annum

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

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

Former position,

Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 82.9 , Other eligibles considered:

James Bachmann C. Fred V. Baker C.

Previous incumbent, George H. Tocker Services terminated, August 13, 1916

Reason, Promoted

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. No quarters for families of keepers at this station. Nos. 1 to 12 on eligible list will not accept appointment to stations where there are no family quarters provided.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the
U. S. Civil Service Commission. , 191

ASPINWALL

BUTLER

J. T. YATES.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

11—2314

JHG

Mr. William Hissey,

6 Clarkson Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

August 11,1916

Sir:-

Referring to your letter dated August 9,1916 stating you were willing to accept the position of assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, R. I. You are informed that you have to-day been nominated for appointment to this position, and in accordance therewith are hereby directed to hold yourself in readiness to enter on duty in that position as soon as definite orders are sent you. Should you be appointed to this position your services will probably be required about August 16,1916.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES.

Inspector

JHG

August 11,1916

Commissioner:-

Referring to Form 73 forwarded to Bureau to-day through the Secretary 2nd Civil Service District, recommending the probationary appointment of William Hissey to the position of assistant keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, R.I.

It is requested that this office be advised by telegraph of Mr. Hissey's appointment in order that he may be assigned to duty at the earliest date possible.

J. T. YATES.

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

It is important that ... letter be ...

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 32 DIST. AUG 11 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Lighthouse Inspector,
Tompkinsville
N.Y.

6 Clarkson Street
Ansonia Conn
Aug 10th 1916,

Sir,

I would respectfully like to say in regard to the three Light Stations that I have been notified I was being considerd for, that if I could have any choice I would prefer Whale Rock Light Station as the pay is a little better and of course being a married man I would like to go to the Station paying the best salary.
But of course I shall abide by your decision in the Matter

I Remain
Sir,
Yours respectfully
William Russell.

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHC

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.,

Tompkinsville, N. Y., August 8, 1916 .191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Assistant Keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, off shore in Narragansett Bay, R.I.

Salary: $16.00 per annum.

Quarters:
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)

Fuel: 6 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year for 2 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions

3-2

NOTICE TO ELIGIBLES

NOTE A - Keepers must provide their own furniture except stoves, bedding, kitchen utensils and dishes. No quarters are provided for families of keepers at this station, but family quarters can probably be rented at Narragansett Pier

NOTE B - Ration allowance of 30 cents per day will be paid by check, and the employee must provide himself with all necessary provisions. Keepers are not required to board assistant keepers.

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty?

Similar letter to:-	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
William Hissey — A				
Jas. Bachmann		Position		
Fred V. Baker		Department or office		
Geo. N. Thomas — D				
Patrick A. Meehan — A		Position		
W.E.Woodward		Department or office		
R. H. Ebbitts — A				

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows: .....

.....

.....

.....

(Signature) .....

(Post-office address) .....

Date, ...

11—749

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHC

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR. 3rd DIST..

Tompkinsville, N. Y., August 8, 1916 . 191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Assistant Keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, off shore in Narragansett Bay, R.I.

Salary: $16.00 per annum.

Quarters:
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)

Fuel: **6 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year for 2 keepers.**
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: **Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)**
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J T YATES

---

lowing questions should be filled in by applicant:

e you willing to accept this position if it is offered you?.....

you wish your name restored to the register at this time?.....

e you willing to accept the next appointment offered?.....

you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

.....

any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service nited States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." ..... If yes, state how .....; and fill in the following blanks.

Similar letter to:-	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
William Hissey — A				
Jas. Bachmann	.....	Position		
Fred V. Baker		Department or office.....		
Geo. N. Thomas — D				
Patrick A. Meehan — A	.....	Position		
W.E.Woodward		Department or office.....		
R. H. Ebbitts — A				

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows: .....

.....

.....

.....

(Signature) .....

(Post-office address) .....

Date, ...

11—749

Form 201

JHG

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. AUG 10 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.

Tompkinsville, N. Y., August 8, 1916

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Assistant Keeper of Whale Rock Light Station, off shore in Narragansett Bay, R.I.

Salary: 516.00 per annum.

Quarters:
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)

Fuel: 6 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year for ~~&~~ 2 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J T YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes,

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." No If yes, state how ny ; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows:

(Signature) William Hissey

(Post-office address) 6 Clarkson St Ansonia Conn.

Date, Aug 9th 1916

11—749

1182

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JBG

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.,

Tompkinsville, N. Y., Aug 8, 1916 , 191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

2nd Asst. Keeper of West Bank Light Station, off shore in New York Lower Bay

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 9 tons of coal and 1½ cords of wood per year for 3 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection [illegible]

3-2

NOTICE TO ELIGIBLES

NOTE A - Keepers must provide their own furniture except stoves, bedding, kitchen utensils and dishes. No quarters are provided for families of keepers at this station, but family quarters can probably be rented at ----- on Staten Island -----

NOTE B - Ration allowance of 30 cents per day will be paid by check, and the employee must provide himself with all necessary provisions. Keepers are not required to board assistant keepers.

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty? -----

Similar letter to:-

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Wm. Hissey — A				
Jas. Bachmann				
Fred V. Baker		Position		
G. N. Thomas — D		Department or office		
P. A. Meehan, — A				
W.E.Woodward		Position		
R. H. Ebbitts — A		Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

Applied
Cancelled
No vacancy

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows: .....

.....

.....

.....

(Signature) .....

(Post-office address) .....

Date, ...

11—749

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHG

1182

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.,

Tompkinsville, N. Y., Aug 8, 1916 .191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

2nd Asst. Keeper of West Bank Light Station, off shore in New York Lower Bay

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 9 tons of coal and 1½ cords of wood per year for 3 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions
d returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

---

wing questions should be filled in by applicant:

you willing to accept this position if it is offered you?.....

ou wish your name restored to the register at this time?.....

you willing to accept the next appointment offered?.....

you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

.....

any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service
United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." ..... If yes, state how
and fill in the following blanks.

ilar letter to:—

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Wm. Hissey — A				
Jas. Bachmann				
Fred V. Baker		Position		
G. N. Thomas — D		Department or office		
P. A. Meehan, — A				
W. E. Woodward		Position		
R. H. Ebbitts — A		Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows: .....

.....

.....

.....

Cancelled Apr 5/16 no vacancy

(Signature) .....

(Post-office address) .....

Date, ...

11—749

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

Geo. N. Thomas,
1181 E 91 St.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.,

Tompkinsville, N. Y., Aug. 8, 1916 191

INSPECTOR'S OFFICE 3RD DIST. AUG 10 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

2nd Asst. Keeper of West Bank Lt. Sta., off shore in New York Lower Bay

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters may be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 9 tons of coal and 1½ cords of wood per year for 3 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if any authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning ration for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? No.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time? Yes

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered? Yes.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

No

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." Yes If yes, state how many two; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
E. F. Thomas	1438 E 91st St. Bklyn	Position Clerk Department or office P. O.	Uncle	Single
J. Thomas	F.I. Light House Bayshore	Position Asst. Keeper Department or office Light House	Uncle	Married.

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows:

Would rather have a place on land. like Fire Island.

(Signature) Geo. N. Thomas.

Date, Aug. 9th 1916 (Post-office address) 1181 East 91st St. Brooklyn, N.Y.

11-749

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHG

William Hissey,
6 Clarkson St.,
Ansonia, Conn.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. AUG 10 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd

Tompkinsville, N. Y., Aug 8, 1916

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

2nd Asst. Keeper of West Bank Light Station, off shore in New York Lower Bay

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached Note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 9 tons of coal and 1½ cords of wood per year for 3 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." No If yes, state how any ; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

My reasons for declining the position tendered me are as follows:

(Signature) William Hissey

(Post-office address) 6 Clarkson St Ansonia Conn

Date, Aug 9th 1916

11—749



Lighthouse Inspector
Tompkinsville
N.Y.

6 Clarkson Street
Arsenia Conn.
Aug 9th 1916

Sir,

I would be very phased to accept either of these Stations
I would like to give six (6) days notice if I could, but I would report for duty sooner if required

I Remain
Sir
Your respectfully
William Kiesel

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR · 3d DIST. · AUG 10 1916 · RECEIVED · TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

Patrick A. Meehan,
691 E 137 St., New York

Tompkinsville, N.Y., Aug. 8, 1916 .191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

2nd Asst. Keeper of West Bank Lt. Sta., off shore in New York Lower Bay

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 9 tons of coal and 1½ cords of wood per year for 3 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? yes.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time? yes

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered? yes

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

any time

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." No If yes, state how many ....; and fill in the following blanks.

NOTE B - Ration allowance of 30 cents per day will be paid by check, and the employee must provide himself with all necessary provisions. Keepers are not required to board assistant keepers.

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty? as soon as notified or at once

(Signature) Patrick A. Meehan

(Post-office address) 691 E. 137 St New York City

Date, Aug 9th 1916.

11—749

HOTEL MUSKEGON
MUSKEGON, MICH.
EUROPEAN PLAN
GEO. W. WOODCOCK

691 E. 137th St.
New York City

MUSKEGON, MICH. Aug 11" 1916

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 32 DIST. AUG 11 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Mr Yates
Lighthouse Service
Tompkinsville
Staten Island
N. Y.

Dear Sir I can procure a number of recomendations from Shipmates and Officers whom I have served with during the Spanish-American War; also from my employers since as to my good character, honesty and efficiency and as an all around handy man. Or if necessary I can procure a letter from Theodore Roosevelt or Admiral Richard Wainwright U.S.N. or Inspector O'Connor

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty? at once.

(Signature) Robert H. Elliott

Date, Aug. 10, 1916. (Post-office address) Southold N.Y.

11—749

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

...ECTOR. 3rd DIST.. ...19...

...1916
...e position of

Lower Bay

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 32 DIST. AUG 11 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

...n be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

...keepers.

...ay be selected, although

...eturning this letter.
...answering the questions
...e.

YATES

...time? If so, give date.

...stoves, bedding, kitch-
...d for families of keep-
...bably be rented

...d by check, and the
... provisions. Keepers

II ☐ N. Y. Police Dept or the pastor ☐ my Church as to my character if it would advance my chances if appointment as asst Keeper, without violating any rules regarding appointment, as I have been so often on the eligible list and always passed over

Thanking you ahead and assuring you I do not wish to violate any ☐ the rules regarding the appointment — by having anyone intercede in my behalf as I have the utmost respect for the fairness with which you make the selections.

Yours Very Respectfully
Patrick A. Meehan
691 E. 137th St
New York City

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

LIGHT-HOUSE DEPT. 2d DIST. AUG 11 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

ECTOR. 3rd DIST.. 19

.1916
he position of

Lower Bay

an be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

keepers.

may be selected, although

returning this letter.
y answering the questions
ble.

. YATES

es.
es
es

re time? If so, give date.

t stoves, bedding, kitch-
ded for families of keep-
probably be rented
ld

paid by check, and the
ary provisions. Keepers

you report

If selected for ... for duty? Oct 1 1916

(Signature) Robert H. Elliott
(Post-office address) Southold N.Y.

Date, Aug. 10, 1916.

11—749

Form 201

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

JHC

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

Robt. H. Ebbitts,
Southold, N. Y.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST., 191



Tompkinsville, N.Y., Aug. 8, 1916

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

2nd Asst. Keeper of West Bank Lt. Sta., off shore in New York Lower Bay

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: Not provided for keepers. (See attached note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the family of keepers at this station, and if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 9 tons of coal and 12 cords of wood per year for 3 keepers.
(State fuel allowed for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State quantity and character of rations.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? yes.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time? yes

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered? yes

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

3-2

NOTICE TO ELIGIBLES

NOTE A - Keepers must provide their own furniture except stoves, bedding, kitchen utensils and dishes. No quarters are provided for families of keepers at this station, but family quarters can probably be rented at on Staten Island.

NOTE B - Ration allowance of 30 cents per day will be paid by check, and the employee must provide himself with all necessary provisions. Keepers are not required to board assistant keepers.

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty? at once.

(Signature) Robert H. Ebbitts

Date, Aug. 10, 1916. (Post-office address) Southold N.Y.

11—749

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Wm. E. Woodward,

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DIST.,

Stapleton, N.Y. Tompkinsville, N.Y., Aug. 8, 1916 , 191

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

2nd Asst. Keeper of West Bank Lt. Sta., off shore in New York Lower Bay

Salary: $456.00 per annum.

Quarters: are provided for keepers. (See attached note A)
(State whether or not quarters are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Fuel: 9 tons of coal and 12 cords of wood per year for 3 keepers.
(State allowance of fuel for domestic purposes, if authorized.)

Rations: Allowance 30¢ daily. (See attached Note B)
(State facts concerning rations for this position.)

This position is also offered to other eligibles, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you?.....

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?.....

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?.....

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

.....

3-2

NOTICE TO ELIGIBLES

NOTE A - Keepers must provide their own furniture except stoves, bedding, kitchen utensils and dishes. No quarters are provided for families of keepers at this station, but family quarters can probably be rented at ------ on Staten Island ---------

NOTE B - Ration allowance of 30 cents per day will be paid by check, and the employee must provide himself with all necessary provisions. Keepers are not required to board assistant keepers.

If selected for this position, how soon could you report for duty?----------

.....

.....

(Signature) .....

(Post-office address) .....

Date, ...

11—749

Chief Clerk.
C. Lighthouse Inspector
Tompkinsville N.Y.

44 Holbrook Street
Arenia Apts,
March 26th 1918.

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. MAR 27 1918 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

53423
Supt
Supt ##no and
##

Sir. Wm Hirsly

I hope you will please excuse the liberty I take in writing this letter to you, but after my interview with you on Friday afternoon, when myself, Wife and Daughter, called at your Office, I have been thinking that perhaps I did not say all I had intended,

You told me that my offence in absenting myself from duty without permission was a serious one, I admit that it was a most serious offence, but I would like to say, that if I had been the only man at the Light, that I would never have thought of leaving it unattended, but there was another man there, so I knew the Light would be alright, that is no excuse for me I know, but I want you to believe me when I state most sincerely that I would never have left the Light unattended,

I would also like to say that the

reason I did not return to duty on time was through no personal fault of mine but it was family worries and circumstances connected with my family that prevented me from returning.

I expected every day to be able to make arrangements so I could return if I had known that I should not return I should have notified the Inspector in the first place,

I have made every arrangement now so that I would go along alright if I could get another chance.

I will wait patiently now until the year has elapsed and then I will put in another application.

You were kind enough to tell me that if I put in another application that it would receive every chance and consideration.

I felt a little bit discouraged when I left your office on Friday and I told my wife so, but she said she would not feel discouraged, she said the Chief Clerk told you that your application would receive every chance

and every Consideration and my Wife said That I could not expect you to say any more;

I would like to say That I am sorry I could not see Mr Gates The Inspector as we came all the way from Oneonia Ct; on purpose to see him;

Sir, I would like to take This opportunity to thank you for The Courtesy and Consideration shown to my self Wife and daughter when we called at Your Office and I assure you That I appreciate it;

I remain

Sir,

Yours respectfully

William Nidey

FWO-WJL

70

July 31,1917.

Mr.William Hissey,
44 Holbrook Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 29,1917.

In reply you are advised that by reason of your dismissal you are ineligible for consideration for employment or for examination for a period of one year.

In order that your record may be complete, it was necessary that you execute oath of office and also submit personal question sheets, blank forms of which are enclosed with the request that you fill out and return the forms to this office at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

J T Yates

Inspector

750-24

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR U.S.
3D DIST.
AUG
4
1917

Lighthouse Inspector
Tompkinsville N.Y.

44 Holbrook Street
Ansonia Conn
Aug 3rd 1917

Sir,

I herewith return personal question sheets and Oath of Office which I hope you will find correct, but if I have made any mistake in filling out please send them back to me and I will make any corrections that may be neccesay or I will fill out new sheets,

Sir, I note what you say about not being eligible for employment or for examination for the period of one Year I thank you for giving me this information as it will be a little encouragement to me while I am waiting I will wait patiently until the

expiration of one year from the time I left Old Orchard Shoal Light Station and then I will take the liberty of writing to you again.

Sir, I am wondering if my age will be any stumbling block in another year from now, I hope not, to tell you the truth I am just as good a man to day as far as I can see as I was at thirty years of age.

I wish to again express my deep regret for all the trouble I have caused you, and thanking you for your kindness and courtesy all through this matter,

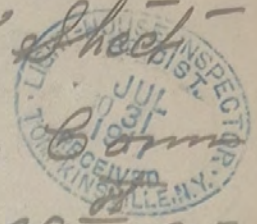
I beg to remain
Sir.
Your very respectfully
William Tracey.

please see other side

Sir, If any circumstances or Condition should arise so that I could have a chance to try for the Service before the expiration of one year. I should be very glad to hear from you at any time, William Hussey.

Light House Inspector
Tompkinsville N.Y.

44 Holbrook St.
Aneonia Co.
July 29th 1917.



Sir,

I received your letter dated July 17th in which You notify me that I have been dismissed from the position of assistant Keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station,

Sir, I do not find any fault with your decision in this matter.

I am only sorry that I should have acted so badly in this matter not wilfully but through force of circumstances. That you should have found it necessary to dismiss me I realize that you could not do anything else very well under the circumstances,

I would like to say that during the sixteen years I worked in my last position I was never absent from duty one minute without asking permission of my foreman.

I have a record of being on duty 1343 nights consecutively without a break. that does not look as though I was in the habit of being absent from duty without permission does it,

I know I made a very poor showing in the Service but some how I did not seem to get started right.

I told you in one of my previous letters that we had made arrangements for my family to live with my eldest daughter in that case it would have removed my great

stumbling block, and I still think that if it were possible for me to have another chance that I would go along alright and that I could still make a success as a Lighthouse Keeper and I think I could give satisfaction,

Sir, In regard to the letter from your Office dated July 23rd in reference to pay for services rendered I wish to say that I do not feel that I am entitled to any pay and I should not claim any,

I am only sorry that I have caused you and your Department so much trouble particularly if it is all to go for nothing,

Sir, The papers that you refer to I have not got them when I got ashore I found that I had left

them behind at the Lighthouse I remembered that I had left them on the bed in my room the Keeper could not help but see them when he went in the room they were in the official envelope just as you sent them to me

I wrote to Mr Epstein Keeper of the Light and asked him if he would kindly forward them to me I also sent money in bills in envelope to pay for my expenses Mr Epstein did not send me the papers neither did he acknowledge the receipt of money if he had sent the papers to me when he saw I had left them behind it might have made a big difference to me when I had been ashore a few days I sent a telegram and a letter

to Mr Eptons asking him if I could come back but I received no reply as I was afraid after staying over my leave I would not be allowed to go back if he had answered I should probably have gone back to duty and not been dismissed, I am not trying to place any blame on any one for what has happened I take all the blame myself but circumstances seemed to be all against me

Sir, To return to the papers if you would rather I should get them sworn to I shall be glad to attend to it if you will get the papers from Mr Eptons and send them to me or have him send them to me I will get them duly sworn to and I will return them to your Office promptly.

Now Inspector, before I close this letter I want to ask you a favor, is there any possible way in which I can redeem myself and get another chance I know several Keepers and assistant Keepers and they have at different times in the past spoken of getting leave of absence and letting me substitute for them of course I know this has got to be subject to your approval Now I was wondering if you would allow me to substitute for some man who wants to get leave for a week Month or three Months or any length of time and if I should give good satisfaction and get a good report would you then consider my request for another chance in the Service or could I go as spare man I would

be willing to do any thing that I possibly could to get another chance,
I should have written before only I have felt so bad about this matter that I really have not had the heart to write.

I would like to say that altho from my actions you may think I am careless and not to be depended upon, that had I been left in charge of a Light I would not have neglected it I would have stayed with the Light and taken care of it no matter what happened,

I would like to call your attention to what I say earlier in this letter in regard to being on duty for 1343 Consecutive nights without a single night off, If you would like to verify my statement I respectfully

refer you to Mr Geo. A. Hawley
Superintendant American Brass Co
or to Mr W. A. Cowles General Manager
American Brass Co Ansonia Conn.
either of which I am sure would testify
as to my general good character carefull-
-ness and attention to duty, I have
shown myself in a very poor light to
you but that I assure you is not my
true character

Hoping that I may hear from you and
that you may send me some little
encouragement

I beg to remain
Sir,

Yours respectfully
William Tracey.

Sir, If getting papers sworn to would in any way
hurt my chances I would rather not do it please do
the best you can for me

JHG

William Hissey,

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

July 23,1917

Referring to services rendered as assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, New York. Before you can be paid for same it will be necessary for you to properly execute and return to this office the oath of office, personal question sheet (in duplicate), etc. transmitted with Department letter of May 24,1917 appointing you to above-mentioned position.

In the absence and by direction of Inspector.

F. W. Ockenfels

Chief Clerk

June 22, 1917

Aptmt

Hold up pay J. Hisey
asst keeper old England
Shoal Light for June -
pending settlement of
charges - Don't draw check.

OK
pay 8/2/17

7

2,1917

ard Shoal

ted to

will be

ll be his

ress are,

If you

letter he

station

information.
will meet him
the date on

JHG

William Hissey, May 24,1917

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

Sir:-

Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated May 22,1917 appointing you to the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, and in accordance therewith you are hereby directed to report for duty at that station on June 1,1917. Transportation will be at your own expense. Show this letter to the keeper, which will be his authority for assigning you to duty. The keeper's name and address are, William J.Epkens, C/O Wm.Decker,17 William St.,Stapleton, N.Y. If you will communicate with Mr.Epkens promptly upon receipt of this letter he will advise you as to when and where he will meet you with the station boat to take you off to the light.

Respectfully,

J.T.YATES

Inspector

Tompkinsville, N.Y.,
May 24,1917

Copy forwarded to Keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta.,for his information. Give full information to Mr.Hissey, as to when and where you will meet him with the station boat. Report to this office promptly by mail the date on which he arrives at the station.

J. T. YATES.

Inspector

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
32 DIST.
JUN
4
1917
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Old Orchard Shoal Light Sta.
June 2nd 1917.

Inspector:

Respectfully report that George Haddock Asst. Keeper at this Station, has left Station and Service May. 31st 6 p m.

That William Kissey from Ausonia Conn. appointed in his place, has arrived at this Station June 2nd 10 a.m. and taken up his duties right off.

William J Ebbens
Keeper

E O D June 2-1917

MAY 18 1917 RECEIVED

Lighthouse Inspector, 44 Holbrook Street
Gompstonville N.Y. Ansonia Conn,
May 17th, 1917.

Jas-
no ans
***

Sir.

I have been thinking the matter over since I wrote to you last Saturday. I mean the letter in which I say that I would rather wait for a Station, such as The Bridgeport Harbor Light, a one man Station, where I could have my Wife and Boy with me, and I think perhaps I was wrong in writing that letter, as I feel that it may be unreasonable on my part to expect to get a Station like that, at least not at first, it may be that a man has to be in the Service quite a

1111

Sir,

I am fairly well aquanted with Penfield Reef Light and with the waters round about and I would go there,

But if there is no chance up this way I would go to Old Orchard Light, or I will go back to Whale Rock Light Narragansett Bay, of the two I think I would prefer to go back to Whale Rock and I would stay there untill there was a chance to get transfered up this way. I know what Whale Rock is as I have been there,

I would stay at Whale Rock W. R. 5 years if neccesary and perhaps I would be made Keeper after a while I would like that

LIGHT-H. 3d. DIST. DIRECTOR.
MAY
18
1917
TO BE ANSWERED

while before he would get a Station like the Bridgeport Light, or a similar Station, so if that is the case I shall be glad if you will destroy that letter and think no more about it, I would like to say if the position is not filled and if it is not too late that I would be willing to go to Old Orchard Light and I would go when notified,

Of course if there was any chance for me to get the Bridgeport Light within a reasonable length of time I would like to get it but I am afraid that perhaps there is no chance,

I remain

Sir

Yours Respectfully Wm H Stacey

please see other side

o insp.

Sir,

I would like to say that both my Wife and my self would be more than glad if we could have any encouragement regarding the Bridgeport Harbor Light we would be glad to wait for it it is right near my Home and would be a very nice thing for us.

Sir, I would like to say right here that I think it was a very nice thing for you to consider my request for reinstatment, and I assure you I fully appreciate what you have done for me,

Wm Hussey

Continued on page 4

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
MAY 23 1917
HOUSES

May 22, 1917.

Mr. William Hissey,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen dollars per annum,

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

(By reinstatement, in accordance with authority contained in the Civil Service Commission's certificate No. 11068.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

L
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: George W. Shaddock.

Legal Residence: Connecticut.

11—3092

3 Insp.

Form 73

NOMINATION

1 JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N. Y. (City.) May 16,1917 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Reinstatement.

Name, William Hussey — Legal residence, Connecticut

Position, Assistant Keeper — Salary, $516.00 per annum

Location, Old Orchard Shoal Lt.Sta.,N.Y. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective June 1,1917 — [1] the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Assistant Keeper — Former salary, $516. p.a.

Location, Whale Rock Light Station, R. I.

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

Previous incumbent, George W. Shaddock — Services terminated, May 31,1917

Reason, Resigned

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. Acceptance of position by Mr.Hussey is attached hereto. Resignation accepted by Department letter of Sept. 8,1916.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. , 191

Aspinwall

Butler

J. T. YATES.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

11—2314

JHG

Mr. William Hissey, May 16,1917

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter dated May 12,1917 stating you were willing to accept the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station. You are informed that you have to-day been nominated for appointment to this position, and in accordance therewith are hereby directed to hold yourself in readiness to report for duty as soon as definite orders are sent you. Should you be appointed to this position your services will probably be required about June 1,1917.

J. T. YATES,

Inspector

Light House Inspector, 44 Holbrook Street
Compt Ouville N.Y. Aweonia Conn,
May 14th 1917.



Sir,

I am afraid that I did not make myself clearly understood in the letters that I mailed to you on Saturday as I am writing this to say, that if there is no prospect of me being considered for a Station near my Home such as I describe in my first letter, why then I shall be glad to be considered for Old Orchard Light and if selected for that position I would report for duty when notified I would like a few days notice if convenient but if not I would start right away, I remain

Sir, Yours respectfully Wm Hissey.

COPY

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

May 11,1917

Lighthouse Inspector,

Tompkinsville, N. Y.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of May 9th asking me if I would like to be considered for Old Orchard Shoal LT.Sta. Yes I would go there, and I would go when required but would like a few days notice if possible. I was out of town and only got back this evening or I should have answered sooner.

I remain

Sir

Yours respectfully,

Wm.Hissey

I am writing this second letter because I think perhaps the other letter may not be satisfactory, if it is not please consider this one if it is not too late.

LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT
MAY 14 1917
RECEIVED

Lighthouse Inspector, 44 Holbrook Street
Mt Gomptonville N.Y.

Ansonia Conn
May 11th 1917.

Sir,

I received your letter of may 9th in regard to Old Orchard Shoal Light Station and I thank you, When I applied for reinstatement I said that I would accept any Light I am aware of that, still at the same time I would prefer to wait a while longer and get a Station nearer my Home if it could be arranged I would not mind waiting six months or a year for a Station, The Bridgeport Light for instance, or any similar Light where my Wife and Boy could be with me My Wife thinks perhaps if I wrote and told you this

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
32 DIST.
MAY
14
1917
RECEIVED

that perhaps you would let me wait
until such a Light became vacant
I mean a one man Light where my
Wife and Boy could help me.
I do not want a Shore Station but
a Light Situated off Shore but
not too far,
I appreciate your kindness in giving
me a chance for The Old Orchard Light
but would prefer to wait for something
such as I have described above if it
is possible,
I should have answered your letter
before but I was out of Town and
only got back last evening,

I remain
Sir
Yours respectfully
William Tracy.

Of course rather than lose my chance at all - Rather I would go to Old Orchard Light under protest,

JHG

Mr. William J. Hissey, May 9,1917

44 Holbrook Street,

Ansonia, Conn.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of recent date requesting reinstatement in the Lighthouse Service. Advise this office by return mail whether or not you would like to be considered for the position of assistant keeper of Old Orchard Shoal Light Station, located off shore in New York Lower Bay. The salary is $516.00 per annum, with the usual ration allowance of 30 cents per day, and a fuel allowance of 7 tons of coal and 1 cord of wood per year for the two keepers at the station. No quarters are provided for families of keepers, but family quarters could probably be rented on Staten Island. The light is a 4th order, oil; and the fog signal is an air siren. State how soon you could report for duty if selected for this position.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES.
Inspector

Wm Hissey

6573

Mr O. Kenfelt — 44 Holbrook Street —
Chief Clerk U.S.L.H.S. 7J2 Anerville Conn
Tompkinsville N.Y. April 28th 1917



Dear Sir.

I know that I am trespassing on your kindness very much by writing this letter to you. but I hope that you will have patience and read it through as it is a matter of great importance to me.

I shall esteem it a great favor if you can give me a little advice in the following matter.

Sir, on July 9th I think it was of last year. I called at the Inspectors Office at Tompkinsville to see the Inspector, the Inspector was absent from the Office at the time so I could not see him, but I had been

told by a friend of mine who was a Light Keeper, that if I could not get to see Mr Yates the Inspector that I was to make my business known to you, and he thought you would help all you could.

I did so I told you that I had called to know what my chances were for getting apponted as Keeper or Asst Keeper before my period of eligibility expired, my period of eligibility expired that same Month "July" I had only a few days to go.

You told me that my chances were not very good to be apponted off that list, but you were kind enough to give me another application blank for the next examination which was I think on the 12th of the same

very nice and with great consideration to be sent to the Station that I had asked for, and I still think it was kind of the Inspector to fix me up that way.

But I am afraid the Inspector as formed a very poor opinion of me now I will tell you why.

I reported for duty at Whale Rock and got along fine, I liked the Station very much, I was quite interested in the work there painting and cleaning polishing up the Brass, taking care of the Lamps and the Light in the Light Room, and the Fog Signal in fact I was right at home there, and the Job suited me fine.

When I had been there a week I went home to visit my family that is where

I made a great mistake, I ought not to have gone not till later.

The Keeper gave me permission to go, I was to go on one day and come back the next day, I had a list of all kinds of things I was to bring back The Keeper gave me.

Well when I got home the Company that I had worked for before I joined the Lighthouse Service, they notified me that if I would return to work for them, they would considerably increase my pay but if I returned I must return right away.

I did not want to go back to my old job, I wanted to return to Whale Rock as it was just the life that I liked, and another thing I hated to think of leaving the

month July".

I filled out the application blank and returned it to your office.

In August I was notified that I was being considered for the following Stations Rockland Lake, Whale Rock, West Bank, and as additional Keeper at Stratford Shoals Middle Ground Light Station.

I wrote to the Inspector and told him that I would be glad to go to either of the Stations but if he could arrange it I would prefer to go to Whale Rock.

In a few days I was noticed that I was appointed Assistant Keeper to Whale Rock.

I thought at the time and I told my Wife so, that I had been treated

Lighthouse Service after getting appointed, and then again I knew it was a very unfair way for me to treat the Inspector, for me to leave the Service so soon and particular to leave without giving proper notice, I knew it was a very wrong thing for me to do,

But I was worried very much at the time wondering what to do for the best, I was not worring on my own account I knew the best thing for me was to return to Whale Rock and stay there, but I was worring on account of my family and I thought perhaps on account of the increased pay, it would be better for my family if I went back to my old job, So I wrote out a letter of

resignation to The Inspector and mailed it.

Now I want you to believe that I did not do that lightly. I did it with very deep regret, I was giving up The only job that I ever had in my life that I really liked, and then again I hated to serve The Inspector so mean and so unfair, but honestly I was in a position where I could not very well help myself.

I did it for The best, but I made a great mistake I realize that now, I ought never to have left The Lighthouse Service, I have been sorry ever since and it is my great wish to get back in The Service if I possibly can.

I would like to go back to

Whale Rock if I could, but I would go anywhere,
I will go to the most isolated or inaccessable Station there is, I will go to Stratford Shoals as additional Keeper, or I will do anything if I can only get another Chance,
There is a change in my circumstances now, I am giving up my position here, there have been several changes made which make my position less desirable than it was, and I have decided to leave in the near future, So as long as I am giving up my Job here, there is nothing in the way of me joining the Lightouse Service now with every prospect of remaining in the Service permanently,
It is my one great desire to get

back in the Service, and if I can only get another chance, I will do all in my power to make good and to give satisfaction.

I only spoke to you once, that was in your Office last July, but from the opinion I formed of you at that time, I am encouraged to hope that you will help me a little if you can, I have been told by a friend of mine who is in the Service, that there will be an examination in June, now if you could arrange it with the Inspector, so you could send me an application blank, so I could have it filled out and return it in time for that examination, I will be grateful to you as long as I live

I have no right to ask this, but if you would Kindly interest yourself a little in my case, I should certainly be very gratefull, and if I should be appointed again, I promise you most faithfully that I will never give you any cause to regret having helped me in this matter, I will try by a conceinciouse discharge of my duties to merit your confidence and to give satisfaction.

I wrote to the Inspector on March 19th asking him if he would consider my request to be reinstated in the Service but I have not yet received any reply, I omitted to put the date on the Inspectors letter, and he may not have answerd it on that account, he may think I am carcless, the reason I omitted the

date was, I did not know if I would be able to mail the letter on the day I wrote it, I left the date out intending to insert it later, but I forgot it, It may be that the Inspector is intending to send me an application blank for the next examination, if that is so everything will be alright,
But if the Inspector considers my conduct in leaving the Service as I did so bad that he does not care to give me another chance, why then if you will intercede with him in my behalf, you will be doing me a great kindness, and I will prove to you by my future conduct that I am grateful and that I fully appreciate what you have done for me,
Sir, in writing this letter to you

I mean no disrespect to Mr Yates
The Inspector, I never saw the
Inspector but I did see you for a few
minutes.
I would be glad to come and see
the Inspector personally and explain
my conduct,
Sir, I am enclosing in this letter
Thirty Dollars, I feel that it is an
unusual thing to do, but I feel
that you and the Inspector may
doubt my sincerity in this matter,
so I want to give you some evidence that
I mean what I say about remaining in
the Service.
If I should be appointed the money
is to purchase me a uniform, and
Cap, and Oil Skins, I wanted to
show you that I am sincere as I

would not want to buy a uniform, unless I intended to Remain in the Service permanently,
I hope I have said nothing in this letter that will give offence in any way, I certainly did not mean to do so, I know that I have given grave offence by leaving the Service as I did, my conduct was very bad, I know that I have forfeited your and the Inspectors good opinion, and you must think very badly of me,
But if you ever give a man a second chance in the Service, wont you please give me another chance, so that I can redeem myself, Sir, I know that I am presuming on your kindness greatly by taking up

your time with this long letter, but I wanted to explain to you as well as I could why I left the Service in the way I did, so I hope you will excuse me,

Sir, Hoping that I have not sinned past all forgivness and that I may get another chance to make good.

I beg to remain
Sir,
Yours very Respectfully
William Kissey.

P. S. Sir, It is my intention if I get another chance in the Service to provide my self with a Motorboat or a detachable Motor which would be very handy at an off Shore Light.

please see other side

I see by the papers that the Keeper of Duck Island Light is dead I would go to that Light if you would send me,

Or if you have any Station where it is hard to get a man to stay I would be glad to go there, I would go to any Station or I would accept appointment on board a Light Ship, I am fixed now so I could start for any Light Station, or any Light-Ship, on the same day that I was notified,

I made a mistake the first time but it wont happen again if I get another chance

Wm Hosey.

FWO-WJL

REGISTERED
RECEIPT REQUESTED

May 1,1917.

Mr.William Hissey,
44 Holbrook Street,
Ansonia, Conn.

Sir:

Your registered letter of April 28th 1917 addressed to the Chief Clerk of this office has been received.

In reply you are advised that your name is already on file in this office for consideration for reinstatement when a suitable vacancy occurs in a position which you are qualified to fill.

If you desire to take the Civil Service examination with a view of having your name placed on the eligible register the enclosed application form should be filled out and returned to this office.

The sum of $30 in cash received with your letter of April 28th which you state was forwarded for the purpose of purchasing a uniform, etc., in the event of your appointment is herewith returned. This office has nothing whatever to do with the matter of purchasing uniforms for lighthouse keepers, as each keeper is required to purchase his own uniform.

Respectfully,

J T Yates

Inspector

6642

Lighthouse Inspector,
2nd Dist
Governors Island N.Y.

44 Holbrook St
Ansonia Conn,
May 5th 1917

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated May 1st and I thank you for the information which you kindly sent me.

I also wish to acknowledge the return of the Thirty Dollars in cash. that I had sent To your Office for the purchase of a uniform etc.

I note what you say that your Office as nothing to do with supplying uniforms.

I remain,

Sir

Yours Respectfully, Wm Kiecey

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2D DIST. MAY 7 1917 RECEIVED

4

can handle a boat good for a boy and he might get appointed in the Service when he gets old enough
If it should be necessary for me to put in another application to get back in the Service will you please send me an application blank at your earliest convenience. that is if you will give me another chance.
I would like to take this opportunity of to say that I am sorry for any trouble or inconvenience I may have caused you by leaving the Service when I did but I could not very well help myself at the time
Hoping that you will give this letter your favorable consideration
I remain
Sir
Yours Respectfully
William Hiscey

This man while on the eligible list was continually writing for information as to his standing on the register and other information. He also wrote to a Congressman to have him use his influence with the Commissioner to get him appointed. He was selected for assistant keeper of Whale Rock, and after being appointed and ordered to report for duty he wrote a letter to the office saying he could not accept. He followed this up the next day with a telegram saying he would accept and was awaiting orders. He entered on duty Aug.23,1916 and on Aug.30,1916 submitted his resignation to take effect immediately, as he had left the station. On Sept.2nd he sent a telegram asking that his resignation be withdrawn, and stating he was willing to go right back to station. He was informed it was too late, that another man had been selected.

6162

Lighthouse Inspector
Tompkinsville N.Y.

See last page.
JHG

H H Holbrook Asst
Ansonia Conn
March 3rd 1917

LIGHT HOUSE INSPECTOR
3RD DIST.
MAR 20 1917
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Sir,

I am writing this letter to you to ask if you will consider my request to be reinstated in the Light-house Service, as Keeper or assistant Keeper I am sorry I left the Service in the way I did but family matters and illness compelled me to do so at the time.
I am in a position now to go back in the Service with every prospect of continuing in the Service permanently if you will give me another chance
I was only at Whale Rock a short time but I learned how to take care of the Light and Fog Signal and I think that I could go to any station where a similar Light and Fog Signal is used and take charge if necessary
I have been over the Bridgeport Harbor Light Station and I think I could handle that Light alright or any similar Station but I would go to any Station. I would go back to Whale Rock Light or any where you would send me.
If I was appointed to a Light like the Bridgeport Harbor Light a "one man Station" my boy who is eleven years of age could help me with my duties he