

Sir Understanding Congress has made provision for
building some Light Houses in their Appropriation for civil
and diplomatic Expenses of the Government, for the present year

I take the liberty to offer my services to you to superintend
any ~~such~~ work you may be pleased to put under my
charge ~~being now~~ having ~~now~~ at this time no engage-
ment so that what I could immediately enter upon ~~the~~
~~any~~ ^{such} ~~duty~~ ^{as} ~~duty~~ you might be pleased to assign me,

or to contract in connection with Mr G. Bryant for
any work you may be pleased to give us

The rebuilding the Lighthouse at Martinus rock in
the state of Maine would be a work we would be very
glad to be engaged ^{upon} ~~in~~, should it ~~fall~~ ~~upon~~ you for this work
I understand \$120,000 has been appropriated

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Copy of a Letter wrote

to the 5th Decr 1846

Aug 16th 1846