

keeper. His conditions are as follows: 1st. He will sell the whole of the South Island on which the lighthouse is built for \$1,000, which he thinks contains 150 acres; or he will sell 10 acres where the lighthouse is built for \$250, or five acres or more or less as required, at the same rate, or will lease the whole Island for \$30 per annum with all its privileges, that is the right of cutting hay and wood for use, but claims \$150 for the past seven years rent. A right of way in all cases will be given through to the other or north east end of the Island for a landing place for winter. I am under the impression that as Alexander T. Paul, of Andrews, may have the fee simple it would be advisable to open a correspondence with him on this subject, which may lead to the Department being quieted in their possession of that portion of the Island they may require, either by an annual rent or purchase.

The following is copy of a letter received by Mr. Snell:—

“SHERIFF’S OFFICE, ST. ANDREWS, 4th July, 1878.

“SIR,—I am informed that you have been for several years using the Southern Wolf Island as if it belonged to you, by cutting the hay, and pasturing your cattle and sheep upon it. I never gave you any permission or authority so to do, and unless you make an arrangement without any delay, with my uncle Joshua Paul, who I have authorized to act for me in the matter, I shall take legal proceedings to recover from you damages as a trespasser upon my property, and that of my sister Mrs. Crosby, and shall also bring your conduct under the notice of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries. After arranging with my uncle for the time past, you will then have to take a lease of the part of the Island you may wish to occupy, on such terms as to the rent and payment of it, as you and he may agree upon.

“My uncle’s receipt for the amount which he and you may agree upon for the past, will be a sufficient release to you of all claim on my part, till the time you agree upon the amount.

“Trusting you will attend to this without delay.

“I remain,

“Your obedient servant,

“(Signed) ALEXANDER T. PAUX.

“Mr. EDWARD SNELL,  
Southern Wolf.”

HEAD HARBOUR (FIXED WHITE.)

Lat. 44° 57' 40" N.; Long. 66° 54' 10" W.

The lighthouse and lighting apparatus are all in good order, as well as the dwelling-house and other buildings. Mr. McLaughlin, the keeper, is a very careful and painstaking person, and keeps everything neat and orderly. The supplies were landed from the “Newfield” without much detention, owing to there being a landing way at this Station. The sea is making a breach on the north and south sides near the buildings, and a block is required at each place built up with timber, or logs filled in with stone to stop further washing away, or in a short time it will reach the foundation of both the dwelling-house and tower. The expense of repairs at present will not be over a hundred or two dollars, but if allowed to continue it will amount to very much more.