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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 STATE OF MAINE
 TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS
 Greeting

Know ye, that Joshua L. Chamberlain, our Governor, reposing special trust and confidence
 In the integrity, ability and discretion of

William W. Thomas, Jr.,

Of Portland, in the County of Cumberland, hath, by and with the advice and consent of the Board of
 Immigration, appointed the said

[Joshua L. Chamberlain]

William W. Thomas, Jr.,

COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION.

And by these presents we authorize and empower him to have and to hold the within named office,
 Together with all the powers and privileges thereto of right appertaining, if he shall so long behave
 Himself well in said Office, unless sooner removed by our Governor, until the duties incumbent upon him,
 Under and by virtue of this Commission, shall have been discharged, and a report of his doing therein
 Made and returned to the Executive of the State.

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and our
 Seal to be hereunto affixed.

Witness, Our Governor, at the Council Chamber, in Augusta, the
 Twenty Fifth day of March in the
 year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy and of the
 Independence of the United States the ninety=fourth.

BY THE GOVERNOR

Franklin M. Drew Secretary of State.

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