



The Station and Light from the Breakwater -- Sept. 1944

Provincetown Advocate, August 14, 1872:

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August 21, 1872:

"Applicants for the place of Light Keeper at Wood End Light will be examined by Light Inspector, Commander Welke, at 14 Pemberton Square, Boston. Candidates must be able to run a steam engine for the fog whistle."

March 20, 1872

A Washington telegram, in speaking of the Light House Appropriation Bill, says: "Among the items for which there does not seem to be a doubt, is that making an appropriation for a light at Wood End Bar, Provincetown."

February 1875

The humanity and hospitality of Mr. Thomas Low, keeper of Wood End light, has had an opportunity of being tested during the ice embargo. He has fed, housed and warmed several crews without a cent of remuneration, with a liberality and promptitude that should not go unrewarded. Our readers will remember that it is not the first time this gentleman's sympathy for his suffering fellow creatures has been displayed in a manner becoming a brave-hearted man, and it seems to us that he is deserving of some testimonial for his efficient services.

September 1875

Mr. Low, the Wood End Light keeper, picked up on the beach last week the stock of a pistol of antique shape. It had evidently been in the water a great while, the iron work being completely rusted off. Its history would probably be very interesting.

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July * 24,* 1902

About June 30, 1902, a 1,000 pound bell, to be struck by machinery during thick or foggy weather, a single blow every 15 seconds, was established at the light station on the beach at Wood End, near the entrance to Provincetown Harbor, northeastern part of Cape Cod Bay.



Wood End Light, Provincetown, Mass.

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WOOD END LIGHT

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Wood End Light is located along the sandy shore which encloses Provincetown Harbor. It is the only lighthouse on the Cape which flashes an all-red beam. It is an harbor entrance beacon.

This light was erected in 1872, a solid white brick square tower. Its red flashing light has a 15-second, consisting of a one-second flash with a 14-second eclipse. It throws a light of 11,000 candlepower.

Wood End also has a bell for fog which sounds one stroke every 15 seconds.