This Lighthouse stands on a point of rough rocks at the western entrance of Portland Sound. The nearby head on which it is placed is 35 feet above the sea. The lighthouse is 45 feet to the lantern. With a N or NE wind, the ebb tide sets directly on to this head. Under those circumstances it is not prudent to anchor near the light-house point, as the water is deep and bad holding ground. Vessels are frequently endangered by standing in near this head in a north east wind.