

In running into the anchorage at Prouts Neck, you may pass on either side of those islands. They lie between the south & SSE from the western end of the Neck, at the distance of one & a half miles. Bluff Island is nearest the Neck one fourth of a mile in length, & full of trees, off the west point at no great distance lie some scattering rocks.

Straten Island is to the southeast of Bluff Island one fourth of a mile distance, no passage between them except for boats. This island is low, a half mile in length, [with] no trees or inhabitants on either of [them].

From about the middle of Straten Island, on the SE side a reef of rocks runs off SE by S, nearly a half mile, and in rough weather the breakers extend to that distance. Both the east & west end of this island is rocky at the distance of an eighth of a mile.

Between Prouts Neck & Bluff Island is a good passage, with 10 to 15 fathom. From the outer part of Prouts Neck to the outer part of Richmonds Island the course is due east & distance 4 ½ miles and free from every danger.