

Rail Road Bridge Erected 1931



Ponquogue Lighthouse (sometimes called the Shinnecock Lighthouse), 1858, Hampton Bays

Until the lighthouse went into service on January 1, 1858, Montauk Lighthouse, erected in 1796, was the only one on eastern Long Island. Several shipwrecks in the years immediately following its inauguration were thought to have resulted from confusion over the change. In the days before ocean telegraphy, there was no way of communicating navigational alterations to crews at sea.

Taken out of service in 1931, the 170-foot Ponquogue Lighthouse was demolished on December 23, 1949, despite efforts of

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