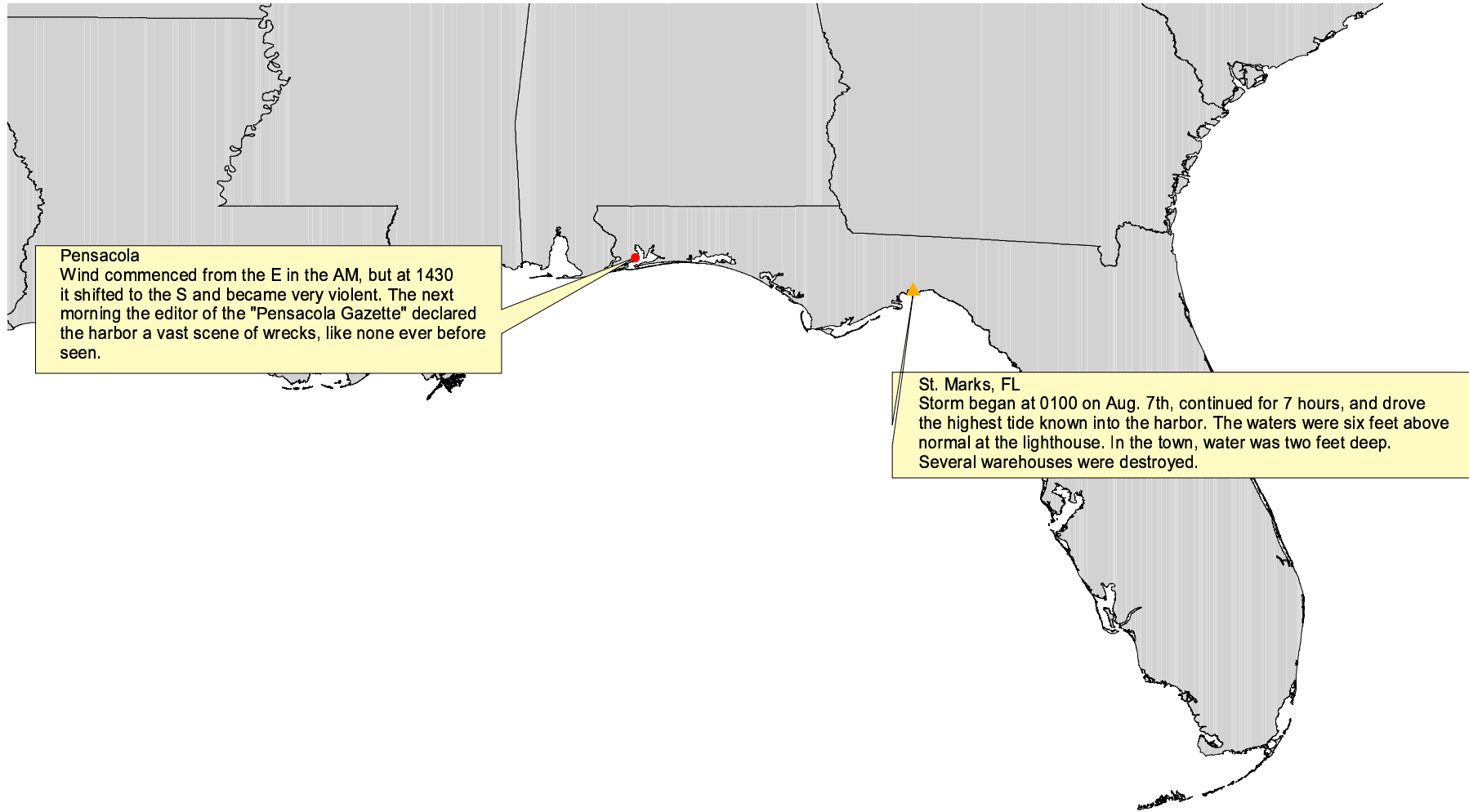


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Pensacola

Wind commenced from the E in the AM, but at 1430 it shifted to the S and became very violent. The next morning the editor of the "Pensacola Gazette" declared the harbor a vast scene of wrecks, like none ever before seen.

St. Marks, FL

Storm began at 0100 on Aug. 7th, continued for 7 hours, and drove the highest tide known into the harbor. The waters were six feet above normal at the lighthouse. In the town, water was two feet deep. Several warehouses were destroyed.

This mysterious storm was felt in the Gulf on Aug. 7. No reports from southern Georgia and Alabama are available. A marked storm center moved west of Pensacola and St. Marks, indicated by the wind flow of strongest gusts from the S at Pensacola and from the ESE at St. Marks.

