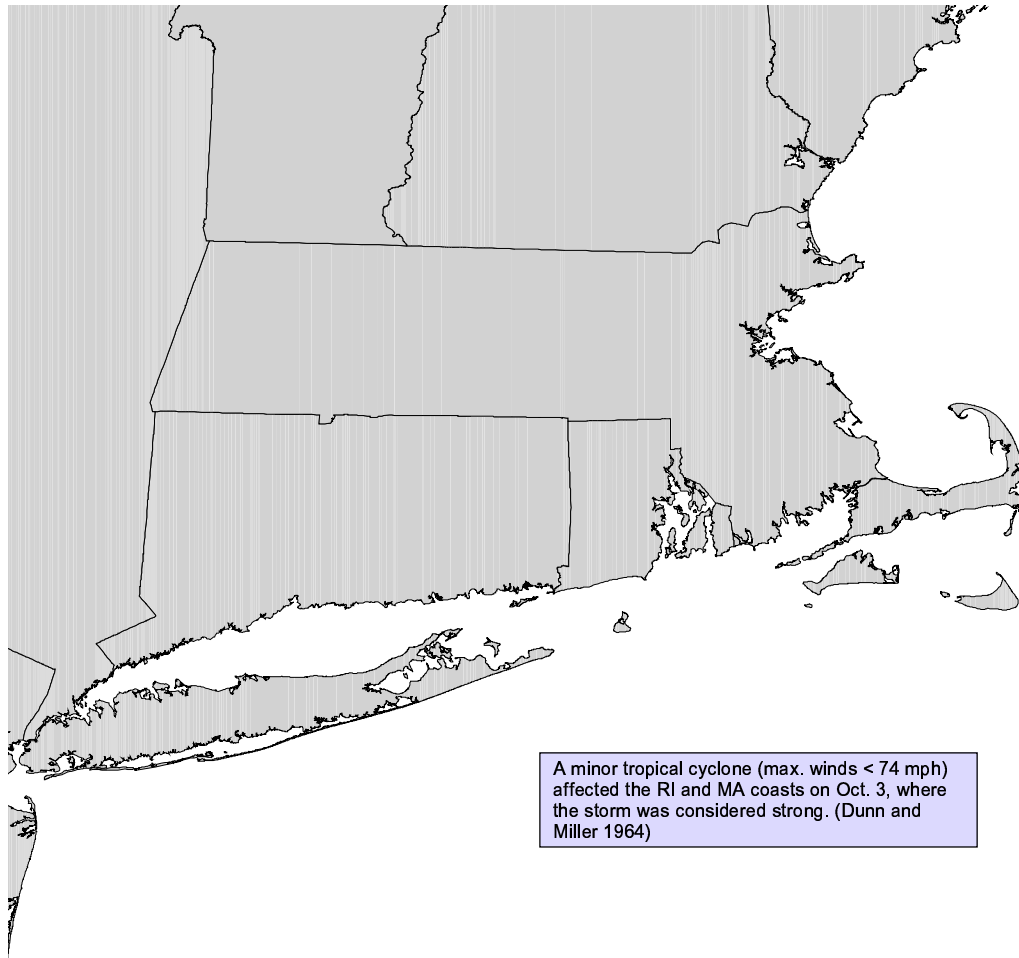


The Memorable October Gale of 1841 - Oct. 3-4 - Part 1



A minor tropical cyclone (max. winds < 74 mph) affected the RI and MA coasts on Oct. 3, where the storm was considered strong. (Dunn and Miller 1964)

This was one of the most intense hurricanes of the century in New England. It arrived unheralded after noon on Sunday, Oct. 3, and caught a large portion of the Cape Cod fishing fleet at sea. Nantucket was the closest land mass to the storm center. The center remained offshore throughout its advance along the Atlantic Coast. It caused some ships to be washed ashore on the Outer Banks of North Carolina as well as Cape Henry, VA on the 2nd. The storm track was parallel to, but many miles to the east of, the Great September Gale of 1815.

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