The Gulf to Bermuda Hurricane of 1842 - Oct. 4-7 Editor's note: I do not know if this represents two storms, but a storm was reported near Cedar Key, FL on this date. Galveston A storm was reported as having brushed by Galveston on Oct. 5, causing flooding and the loss of the schooner "Dream" between Galveston and New Orleans. (Roth) Sandrik called this storm a slow moving system and stated that it moved E-NE across extreme Ho estimated the storm as making landfall north of NE Florida and curved out to sea toward Bermuda. Cedar Key as a 955 mb storm with a RMW of The diary of Kingsley Beatty Gibbs on Fort George 18 nmi. (Sandrik 1999) Island, near Jacksonville, noted rain and wind at the time of this storm. Damage appeared to be minor. The storm appears to have curved out to sea S of Mayport, FL Sandrik counted this storm as a A tropical cyclone was noted in NW FL on Oct. 5 hurricane for NE Florida and lower GA. (Sandrik 1999) by Dunn and Miller. The storm caused damage around Cedar Key. (Dunn and Miller 1964)

This storm originated at the end of September, 1842 near the Yucatan Peninsula. The storm moved NE across the Gulf of Mexico affecting only ships and birds, which were found deceased in abundance in the waters of the Gulf following the storm. Landfall was estimated by William Redfield to have occurred near St. Marks. The storm moved through north Florida, probably crossing over the Okefenokee Swamp and exiting off the Georgia coast north of the St. Mary's river. Higher wind speeds were evident in the northern sector of the hurricane. There were no land reports of damage north of Charleston.

