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Dwelling by the sea! No wonder so many people enjoy living on the seashore. The seas play a dominant part in climate control, effecting a moderation of temperatures. This means cooler weather in summer and milder in winter than is usually experienced in the same latitude inland. The annual range of temperature of the sea in the tropics is only 4 or 5 degrees. This range increases as one goes north or south to about the 40th parallel and then decreases toward either pole. The seasons are delayed in marine climates: this means a cool spring and a warm autumn.
