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West Indies in winter! The weather over the Atlantic in February is similar to that of January, being stormy with westerly winds and severe gales in the northern part, but in the southern part and in the tropics easterly trade winds prevail, with an occasional northerly gale over the Gulf of Mexico and the Florida Straits. The West Indies region is free from hurricanes during the winter season. The dry season extends from December to April, punctuated with an occasional shower. The mean winter temperature is about 72 degrees and the highest is seldom over 94. The climate is tempered by the steady trade winds, daily sea breezes, and cool nights.
