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FORMERLY VICE-COMMODORE OF THE NEW YORK YACHT CLUB



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At a meeting of the New York Yacht Club, held at the Club House, May 15, 1902, ex-Vice-Commodore Anson Phelps Stokes made the following motion :

Resolved, that a committee be appointed, by the Commodore, to consider the question of a squadron cruise in the West Indies next winter, and to report at the October meeting.

Several members spoke in favor and none opposed, and the motion was carried unanimously.

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ADDRESS

AT THE NEW YORK YACHT CLUB REPORTING
THE CRUISE OF THE SCHOONER YACHT
SEA FOX TO THE WEST INDIES
AND ADVOCATING A
SQUADRON CRUISE
THERE

ADDRESS OF ANSON PHELPS STOKES

IN THE NEW YORK YACHT CLUB, MAY 15, 1902,
ON HIS MOTION FOR A COMMITTEE TO
CONSIDER THE QUESTION OF A
SQUADRON CRUISE TO THE
WEST INDIES NEXT
WINTER

Commodore:

I have lately returned from a West Indian cruise in my yacht, the *Sea Fox*.

The terrible disaster which has overwhelmed, within the last few days, the beautiful and fertile islands of Martinique and St. Vincent has startled the world. While rejoicing at the prompt and efficient efforts to relieve present distress there, let us remember, also, that for their permanent prosperity the lovely Carib Islands have the utmost need of greater intercourse with the United States. This more neighborly intercourse our club can promote to the benefit of all concerned.

The unequalled advantages for winter cruising afforded by the eastern part of the Caribbean Sea, from Porto Rico to Trinidad, have led me to sug-