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The editorials in this paper are written in the singular number, the editorial "we" having been discarded.

Florida suffered more from the recent storm than South Carolina did from the great storm of 1893. Cedar Keys and the country in that section of the State, suffered awfully hundreds of people losing their lives and probably millions of dollars of property being destroyed.

Those who claim that lynching is justifiable for only one crime, every now and then are brought face to face with the dangerous tendency of such teaching. In Louisiana, the other day, a negro was lynched for slapping a white child and not for the usual crime.

It will be noticed, according to an account taken from a New York paper in another column, that Ben Tillman was driven off of the stump at Reading, Pa. by farmers with pitchforks.

Although the farmers have complained greatly this season of the shortness of the cotton crop, they should bear in mind that many people thought, when the crop was planted, that the price would not go above five cents.

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Baby's Age. She came with April blooms and showers; We count her little life by flowers.

As buds the rose upon her cheek, We choose a flower for every week. A week of hyscynth, we say, And one of heartsease, ushered May.

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The People of Cedar Keys Appeal for Help in their Terrible Affliction.

To the Public: The storm of September 9th left the fair city of Cedar Keys a scene of wreck and devastation. Her business destroyed, her people impoverished, more than a score of lives were lost and more than a hundred homes destroyed.

SHARKS IN THE HARBOR.

A Charleston Resident Talks Entertainingly About Them. Doubtless there are many caters among the shark family. Well authenticated stories reach us from the south seas of the fierce and voracious habits of the spotted, or tiger, shark, but he never or seldom visits this latitude.

The shark we know and see here is what is vulgarly called the sand shark, or shovel nose shark. He feeds on smaller fish and is said to affect the smell of watermelon. The writer has had opportunity for observing the habits of the animal and has for many years been interested in the question now under consideration.

I think it will be admitted by all boys who have grown up in our waters (most Charleston boys spend a large portion of their time in or on the water) that the shark is generally a timid fish. When seen among or near a party of bathers, shouting or clapping the hands, together with a splashing, will usually result in his gliding gracefully away.

Two summers since the writer observed a very large shark almost every day skirting the beach on Sullivan's island, at a particular place, at or about low tide. One morning he saw the shark slip up to an angler, who was waist deep in the water, and take off a string of sheephead which was tied to his waist.

On July 4, some seven or eight years ago, a friend and myself were bathing about midday. We went beyond the breakers for a swim, and when in water where we could barely touch bottom we were confronted by what at first appeared to be a sunken log. Gradually this log rose to the surface, until there appeared two great fins and the long, dark ridge of a shark's back. He seemed to contemplate us for a few seconds. It was impossible to wade in water of that depth, and we feared that should we turn and swim for the shore he would have an opportunity to take off a leg or two, as we extended them toward him.

On another occasion I have known a shark to follow a small boat through the surf and almost to the sand, much to the terror of a youngster whose duty it was to jump into the surf to land the boat, but there were fish in that boat, and doubtless his attention was attracted by scent of them. At any rate, he made no attempt to attack the young man in the surf.

These and like observations have led me to believe that the shark will not attack a living man.—Charleston News and Courier.

A QUEER MANIA.

Melton, Millionaire Who Busted Himself by Betting Abroad. The Sicilian Prince of Valguanera, at the beginning of this century, was a monomaniac of a rare description. He succeeded to one of the largest fortunes in Europe, his habits were studious and economical, he had no children, but in spite of these advantages for saving money he contrived to ruin himself.

Of such horrors there were 600 in the avenue and courtyard alone when Brydone saw the collection, and the prince maintained a regiment of sculptors who were rewarded proportionately to their success in designing new and unparalleled combinations. The effect upon a superstitious peasantry may be imagined. So serious was the agitation that the government of Sicily threatened to demolish the wonderful array several times, but a prince of Valguanera was not to be offended in those days without the gravest cause.

Clear writers, like clear fountains, do not seem so deep as they are. The turbid looks most profound.—Lender.

BUSINESSLIKE DINERS.

The German Table d'Hotel as Viewed by American Eyes. Anything more wearisome than this European institution, the table d'hotel dinner, cannot well be imagined. The food served in microscopic portions and eminently unsatisfying from the American standpoint is, however, not its worst feature.

London's Saloons. The county of London contains fewer public houses relatively to population than any other county in the kingdom. It appears that there is one fully licensed house in London to every 860 persons and one "off" license to every 685.

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DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. County of Darlington.

THE SPECIAL PARTNERSHIP existing between the undersigned attorneys at law in and for the county of Darlington, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

By the side of the chief approaches to a certain English race course one night, some years ago, when the races were on, see a small knot of folk gathered around a venerable looking gentleman who was with night and main denouncing the wickedness of the betting and pointing out the evils attaching to a "love of sport."

Robbie had longed long and earnestly for a baby brother and a pair of white rabbits. The answer to both wishes came on the same morning, but it was not quite satisfactory, for there were two baby brothers and only one rabbit. Robbie was greatly disgusted at the mistake.

The chronology of both the Chinese and the Hindoos is fairly reliable as far back as 2200 B. C., before which it becomes misty.

A life ticket to the Grand Opera was recently sold by a decayed librettist to a gentleman of Paris, the purchaser assuming that it would admit him behind the scenes. The authorities of the theater, however, kept him out, on the ground that admission to the Salon de la Danse was a personal privilege and could not be transferred. In the lawsuit that was brought the opera won, the price paid for the ticket, \$600, being held to indicate that the greenroom privileges could not have been in the mind of the seller, as a ticket admitting to that is worth \$3,000.—London Letter.

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Grady used to explain his ability to talk by saying, "My father was an Irishman, and my mother was a woman."—Augusta (Ga.) Herald.

A LETTER TO THE PEOPLE.

We extend an invitation to every man, woman and child in Darlington and surrounding counties to visit our store this fall.

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