

cacy. Viscera will soon rot, their high ammonia and acid content being potent aids to fertilization of plants. Teeth, and even eye pupils, are used for making a crude type of jewelry and advertising novelties. The hide, made into leather, far outclasses cowhide in durability, toughness, and beauty.

Natives of coastal lands know full well that sharks, provided with serrated, scimitar-sharp teeth, are to be assiduously

avoided if there is blood in the water, or at dusk when most actual shark attacks seem to occur. Widespread accounts of death by shark bite are encountered throughout Polynesia, the Philippines, and South Seas.

Caution is the better part of valor if an ugly green fin is spied slicing along the surface; thus advise the shark hunters who have spent years tracking down the tigers of the sea in all climes and oceans.—*Horace S. Mazet, condensed from Travel.*

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## *Nothing to Say?*

EVEN the best talkers are sometimes at a loss for an appropriate remark at a social gathering. With this in mind, Christopher Billopp, of the *Baltimore Evening Sun*, compiled a list of things to say. Because it fills a long-felt want, it is published here. By memorizing this list, no one need be tongue-tied. Billopp now speaking:

You're growing fat. You're growing bald. Where did you get that hair-cut? Is that a fever blister? Who hit you in the eye? What happened to your nose? You're getting a double chin.

You're looking better than you did. Is that a gray hair? You forgot to shave this morning. Oh, are you bow-legged? What's that on your face? Hold your shoulders back. Your underskirt's showing.

You've lost your color. You're getting quite a bay window, aren't you? You're getting large around the hips. Haven't you lost a good deal of weight? Have you lost a tooth? Green makes you look sallow.

The tie doesn't go very well with the shirt. What makes your waistcoat wrinkle that way? Aren't you feeling well? Stop frowning. Are those crows' feet? Your hair isn't naturally curly, is it? You've got a cold, haven't you? What makes your nose so red on the end? When did you last have that suit pressed? You are not as young as you were. There are lines under your eyes. What's that? You don't like to be told? Goodness, but you are sensitive!—*The William Feather Magazine.*