Chapter XXIII: "Down the St. Johns" from Florida Trails

The author seems to rethink his opinion of alligators in this chapter, noting that, "Alligators are said to have a great fear of man and it is commonly reported that you may bathe in their swimming pools in the utmost safety, even at dinner time after a fast day. That may be. I know this big, old, black one looked as if he ate steamers for luncheon and came down the bank as if he were about to do it."

Is there something about which your opinion has changed? Why did your opinion change? Do you think it may change again?