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This is the time of railroad building in Louisiana.

Will our country learn a lesson from Hannanism?

No man lives or dies to himself, whether he wills so or not.

Selfishness. What crimes is she not responsible for?

There is frequently much reality about a ghost story.

The Progress still advocates giving suffrage to our women.

Who loves God best can appreciate the beauties and music of Nature most.

It is said that no faro bank game exists in Shreveport. That speaks well, don't it?

No potentate is more autocratic and destructive to patriotism than Plutocracy.

Political policy, business policy! What social crimes are committed from their ambusades!

Compare America of 1898 with her in 1798. Dare you say she has not woefully retrograded?

Even the sunshine has no beauty for the person who will insist on looking at it through smoked glasses.

The advent of the Salvation Army in Shreveport should have a good effect on the immoral tone of the city.

The patriots of our State will redeem Louisiana, if the Constitutional Convention will present them the means of doing so.

We are waiting to see what kind of a fight John Brewster will make to hold the suffrage privilege for his illiterate dagoes.

The fireside is the place to teach politics as well as morals and religion, and the entire family should take part in the discussion.

Brother Everett, of Ruston Leader, was jubilating in grand style last week over the election. Don't be too hard on Brother Warren.

In our desire to separate church and State Government, are we not deposing the influence of the former in the home of the soul even?

We so often hear the expression, "She is a widow woman." Readers, did you ever see, hear or read of a widow man, or a man widow?

Just what the Democratic party in Louisiana will be in the future depends considerably—mainly on what the Constitutional Convention will do.

It seems that the Populists suffered a Waterloo in nearly, if not every, parish and stronghold in the State. Verily the Populist party of '98 is not near what it was in '92 and '93.

Our children. Who are their associates? What are their tastes, desires, intentions? Parents, would you not do well to do some thinking along this line?

If some people were half as loyal to principles as they are to party, public affairs would be in a much more healthy and stable condition, and the party would occupy a much higher ground.

Ex-Governor Hogg says he will not be a candidate for United States Senator from Texas, nor will he be Bryan's running mate in 1900. But Hogg is a politician.

Will Hon. Mr. William Jennings Bryan's friends not run all the wind out of him before the National campaign of 1900? It seems to us that he is being a little too much talked about for his own success.

It is said that the Legislature of Ohio will carefully investigate the charges of bribery made against the Hanna managers and his opponents in the recent Senatorial contest. We wish the matter could be thoroughly sifted and the truth fully revealed. And if guilt lies anywhere, punish it to the fullest extent.

Let's have no ill feeling in the election. The Democracy won and won fairly we hope and believe. Now all Louisianians should strive to aid the members of the Convention in passing the very best laws for the common good.

The Minna.

—For The Progress.

The launching of another boat in the Southern waters, planned and built by Mr. John N. Powers of Shreveport for the Austro-American Steam Company, and christened Minna.

As you glide from the wharf into the water
Christen you, Minna!
Another fair daughter,
A thing of beauty though you be;
Thou, my fair daughter!
Serve your master well while he
Commands you on the water
Prosperity may be yours
While guided by his hand;
And no sorrow may we know,
While under his command.
And now, fair Minna! you'll be decked
With your name complete,
For the lady we've not met,
But may some day meet.

Maggie G. Powers,
December 28th, 1897.

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ROUND-A-BOUNTS.

His many friends will be glad to shake hands with Mr. L. N. Goodwin this week. Luther is all right and would rather live in Shreveport than Meridian. We are glad to hear that the family is well.

Tramps seem to be getting a little scarce. Too much McKellar and Nelsonism.

Have you noticed how much longer the days have grown?

Mr. H. C. Sellers has been in the city several days on business and looking around.

The studied, earnest expression which hangs on the countenance of the man engaged in winding his waterbury, is an interesting sight.

The toad may be a good fly catcher but he finds it hard to get signed with a base ball team.

Governor Bob Taylor has at last yielded to the importunities of his friends and has entered the race for the United States Senatorship from Tennessee. Now let Turley and McMillen get a hump on themselves, because Bob Taylor is in the saddle.

The Pullman Car Company has been sued for \$25,000 by a Mr. Morgan of Dallas, for being bitten by a centipede while riding on a sleeper. He alleges that the Company guarantees clean and healthy beds which was not a fulfillment of the obligation when one contained a centipede. He alleges permanent injuries from the bite.

The fire department was busy Monday. No there was no conflagration, only there was too much water on a lot near the union depot.

Did you ever try to travel Lake Street from the Union Depot to McNeil street? Well try it once; if you can do so without doing some hard, cruel thinking, you are on the road to sanctification.

Mr. W. R. Shepperd of Greenwood, was in the city Monday and (Continued on fifth page.)

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