

YESTERDAY.

"And all our yesterdays, have lig'ed fools
The way to dusty death."—Shakespeare.

Yesterday—with all its opportunities—is gone. Many a man—who but yesterday could have secured life assurance—is to-day shut off for ever from its benefits. Death may have "shut the door of opportunity." It doesn't need death to shut the door of opportunity to assure your life. A little cough—a trifling sickness—may do it. The door was open to you yesterday—is open to-day. It may be closed to-morrow.

Don't let another "to-day" become a "yesterday" without giving to your loved ones the protection that Life Assurance alone can give.

TO-DAY.

"Happy the man, and happy he alone,
He who can call to-day his own."—Dryden.

To-day is here—and "no day is yours but to-day." Assure to-day and to-morrow will have no fears for you. Less than one dollar a week will pay for an Endowment policy that will give one thousand dollars to your family to-morrow—if you die. Will give you one thousand dollars (and profits) at the end of twenty years—if you live—. An adequate Endowment policy in the Equitable will accomplish the two great aims of a man's life—protection for his family—provision for himself—guaranteed by the strongest life company in the world and backed by a Surplus of Over \$43,000,000.

TO-MORROW.

"Defer not till to-morrow to be wise,
To-morrow's sun to thee may never rise."
—Congreve.

To-morrow—for many men—will never come. It is POSSIBLE that to-morrow may never come to you. It is PROBABLE that you will see to-morrow—and next week—and next year—and the years after that—and may be, old age—and yet—long as you may live—you may never acquire a competency for your declining years—very few people do.

An Endowment policy taken during the years of your earning power will help provide for your own old age—will protect your family in case of your death—even if it should occur to-morrow.

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OUR BICYCLE CONTEST

WILL CLOSE NOW SOON.

Our bicycle contest will close with the last issue in this month. The wheel will therefore be an excellent New Year present. We are satisfied that friends of the aspirants are reserving their powers, but it might result seriously if they are held too long.

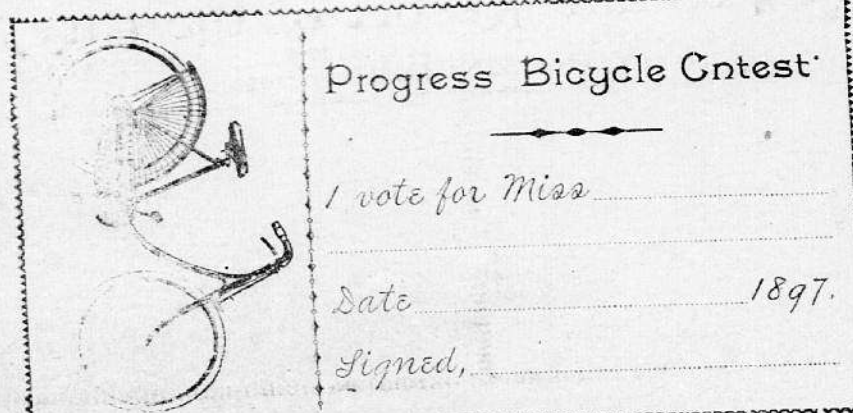
Come out now and do like the politicians. Work late, early and often for your favorite.

CUPONS FOR SALE.

You can get cupons by calling at the office. They are worth \$2.50 a hundred, \$20.00 per thousand.

Make up a purse and compliment your choice, your favorite, your choice among the many pretty girls of our city and parish.

Show your loyalty and chivalry, young men.



FOURTEENTH COUNT.

The fourteenth count was held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock and made the following showing:

Miss Martin Helpman	536	Helen Marcovitz	15
" Etta Arthur	407	" Amanda Howell	15
" Amelia Rigdon	255	" Lula Wilson	27
" Katie Liphart	101	" Guy L. Howard	10
" Minnie Woodley	53	" Clara Johnson	9
" Julia Pickett	48	" Louise Asher	6
" Annie Maddux	39	" Josie Carter	5
" Julia Florsheim	31	" Margaret Martin	4
" Sunshine Tullos	29	" Mattie Fink	3
" Allie Reel Carter	18	" Jimmie Martin	2
		" Bettie Phillips	2
		" Rosa Zwally	1
		" Jessie Ratliff	1
		" Esther Levy	1
		" Mammie Camilla	1
		" Eva Bacon	1
		" Cecelia Leonard	1
		" Clara McClure	1
		" Florence Feiser	1
		" Rosa Goetschel	1



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Corner Market and Texas Streets, Shreveport, La.

COTTON.

Present quotations of Cotton are low, regarded by experts as being near cost of production; hence the preference of some, perhaps many, to hold rather than selling at present prices.

Being assured of this fact by correspondence reaching me daily, I take this method of giving notice to the public, and especially those who have addressed me, that I am prepared to advance Cash or Groceries, or both, on all Cotton that may be shipped me with request to hold; will take pleasure in liquidating maturing obligations of planters or merchants in the interior that may be payable at Shreveport, or by exchange on New York, St. Louis or New Orleans. Or cash may be drawn on drafts attached to bills of lading covering cotton.

My charges are reasonable, and storing facilities unsurpassed, and the lowest existing rate of insurance in Shreveport is secured.

Will be pleased to further correspond with shippers of Cotton, either for sale on arrival, or for storage for an indefinite length of time.

W. B. OGILVIE.

We are to stay, and are not thinking of leaving. If you have a leaky roof or one that needs painting, let us know. We guarantee our paint not to taste in the cistern.
Shreveport Roof Painting Co.,
501 Crockett street.

Ten Years in
One Place.

Frank Serwich, the caterer, is still at the old stand, feeding the hungry and making life a pleasure.

Call in
After the Show

And Frank will serve you with anything to eat your appetite may call for.

The Ladies Dining Parlor is open at all times.

Major W. D. Schofield, one of our most prominent citizens, died at his residence here on Wednesday morning last in the 60th year of his age. THE PROGRESS regrets that circumstances beyond our control prevent the extended notice it would like to give in honor of an old friend.

What about the new jail and the fountain for the court house yard?

By mutual consent all the banks in our city closed Thursday on account of the primary election. This showed the deep interest taken in it.

The residence of Mr. E. Phelps was in imminent danger from fire Tuesday. The floor was ignited by coals from the fire-place. An alarm was turned in, but the family extinguished the flames before a company could reach the scene.

Better register now. You can't vote in January unless you do. Everybody has to register to be entitled to vote.

Nathaniel Clinton, colored, had his leg broken Monday, by a bale of cotton rolling on it. He was taken to the Hospital.

Some lively amusement of its kind, was furnished those who were fortunate(?) enough to be at the corner of Market and Milam streets Monday. Two negroes, Joe Ziegler and Charles Vincent, locked horns, Joe combing Charley's head with a broom stick which caused the gore to flow. Officer Wainwright took part and so did His Honor, the mayor, next morning.

We have had several cold waves here recently; in fact the mercury has been in low regions most of the time here lately.

The remains of Dr. H. T. Dillard were received by friends at the depot Monday. The body was interred in the city cemetery.

Opened Up the Way.

The people every where rejoiced Monday and Tuesday, and as soon as they learned the news, that our Board of Health had removed all quarantine restrictions against passengers and traffic from all points.

This will throw new energy into every branch of business, will diffuse new life into all classes of associations.

Now let everybody act well their part, let the past be but a dream, look forward towards the future roseate with hope which will yield a rich fruition if all will do a citizen's part.

If our good people were more afraid of the evils in public affairs and less of politics, where alone they can be cured, we would have a healthier state of affairs.

When one will not read nor listen, he is almost past redemption.

Those are most excellent rails that the Center Line road is now having put down.

Some of the best and purest women in our state indorsed THE PROGRESS' attitude in the Brann-Baylor episode, and we can stand up under the fire of some men.

We hope to close our bicycle contest on Thursday, December 30th.

Nearly everybody now says THE PROGRESS is the paper for the people.

Shreveport is truly quite a railroad center. Get out in the suburbs and see if the puff, puff of the locomotive can not be heard almost all day long, while passing trains are heard almost at all hours.

THE PROGRESS wishes the Retail Dealers Association would turn its attention toward securing factories here. We need tin-bucket brigades, and we have strong faith in this organization.