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CLEVELAND STARTS THE WORKS.
The Opening Ceremonies—The President's Speech—Review of the Works.

CHICAGO, May 1.—The day opened dark and gloomy in the World's Fair city, but this did not prevent the people from getting out for the festival day and at an early hour the streets were crowded. The first point of interest centered at the Auditorium hotel, where large numbers gathered for a glimpse of Columbus' descendant, the Duke de Veragua, who, with the members of his family and the committees and prominent officials, national, state and municipal, took carriages about 9 o'clock, and under military escorts drove to Lexington hotel, at Michigan avenue and Twentieth street, at which were President Cleveland and the members of his cabinet, and from which point the procession to the park was to start. The ducal party were arrayed in all the glories of the Spanish court costume, brilliant in color, rich with gold lace and bright with decorations, the orders of nobility, with swords, knee breeches, silk stockings and all the trappings of the Spanish court. The assembled multitude set up a shout as the party appeared, entered the carriages and drove rapidly to Lexington hotel.

Soon after 9 o'clock President Cleveland and his associates appeared at the entrance of the Lexington hotel and were conducted to carriages. When all was in readiness the procession moved down Michigan avenue, cheered by the thousands who lined the curb, clattered and rumbled the cavalcade; turned into the grand boulevard at Thirty-fifth street and into Washington Park at Fifty-first street; from the park into Midway Plaisance, now a medley of all nations, and from it into the great White city and to the administration building, where the ceremonies of the day were to take place. Passing through the building the notables came out upon the platform at the east side, looking out upon the grand plaza and the court of honor. The plaza was black with people, the whole scene forming one of the most remarkable and enchanting in history. All the officials and invited guests not in the procession were seated on the platform, and as the head of the nation walked down the main aisle to its outer edge a tumult of cheers shook the air.

THE OPENING CEREMONIES.
He and those accompanying him were soon seated, and shortly after ten o'clock the opening ceremonies began with Professor John K. Haine's Columbian march, followed by prayer by Blind Chaplain Milburn, of the United States senate.

Then Miss Jessie Couthou, dramatic reader recited the rhymed prophecy by W. A. Croft, of Washington.

GENERAL DAVIS' ADDRESS.
After an orchestral overture, Director-General Davis, as master of ceremonies, made the opening address as follows:
The dedication of these grounds and buildings for the purposes of an international exhibition took place October 21 last, at which time they were accepted for the objects of which they were destined by the action of congress. This is not the time nor place, neither will it be expected of me, to give a comprehensive resume of the strenuous efforts which were put forth to complete the work to which we invite your inspection today. I may be permitted, however, to say a work of praise of and in gratitude to the many co-officers and the official staff who form the great organization which has made this consummation possible. This exhibition is not the conception of any single mind; it is not the result of any single effort, but the grandest conception of all the minds and the best obtainable result of all the efforts put forth by all the people who in any manner contributed to its creation. The great commanding agencies through which the government authorized this work to proceed are: The national commission, consisting of 108 men and alternates selected from the several states and territories, presided over by Hon. Thomas Palmer, of Michigan; the corporation of the state of Illinois known as the World's Columbian Exposition, consisting of forty-five directors, presided over by Mrs. Potter Palmer, of Chicago. To these great agencies wisely selected by congress, and each performing its special function, the gratitude of the people of this country and the cordial recognition of all these friendly foreign representatives is due. To perfect from these agencies an efficient organization was our first duty. And it was successfully accomplished—at the outset through committees, subsequently by great executive departments, and through these departments systematic,

vigorous and effective work progressed. Through the department of administration, the department of finance, the department of works and the great exhibit department, the plan and scope of this grand international exposition was worked out. The department of finance, composed of members of the Illinois corporation, has, with disinterestedness remarkable, with courage undaunted, successfully financed the exposition and provided for the great work upward of \$20,000,000.

The department of works and its many bureaus of artists, architects, engineers and builders have transformed these grounds, which is twenty-one months ago were an unsightly, uninviting and unoccupied stretch of landscape, into the beauty and splendor of today. They have conspicuously performed their functions, and these grand avenues, these Venetian waterways, finished landscapes, fountains and sculpture and colonnades, and these grand palaces stand out as monuments to their genius and skill, supplemented by the labor of that great army of skilled artisans and workmen, all citizens of this republic.

The chiefs of the great departments, who exploited this mighty enterprise and gathered here the exhibits forming the pictures set in this magnificent frame, have confirmed the wisdom of their selection. No state or territory of the Union escaped their voice; no land on the globe that has a language but what was visited, and the invitations of the president of the United States personally presented. Fortunately at the inception of this enterprise our government was, and still is, at peace with the whole world. Commissioners were sent to Europe, Asia, Australia, British, North America and the islands of the sea; so today the whole world knows and is familiar with the significance of the great peace festival we are about to inaugurate upon the campus, and all nations join in celebrating the event which it commemorates. This enclosure, containing nearly 700 acres, covered by more than 400 structures, from the small pavilion, occupying an ordinary building site, to the colossal structure of the manufacturer's and liberal art's building, covering over thirty acres, is filled and crowded with displays of the achievements and products of the hand and mind of man, such as has never before been presented to mortal vision. The habits, customs and life of the people of our own and foreign lands are shown in variegated plaisance. Those stately buildings on the north, filled with historical treasures and the natural products of our several states, the artistic, characteristic and beautiful edifices of the headquarters of the foreign commissions, surrounding the gallery of the fine arts, which in itself will be an agreeable surprise to the American beholder, constitute the grand central zone of social and friendly amenities among the different people of the earth. Surrounding this grand plaza where we stand, and reaching from the north pond to the extreme south, is the great mechanical, scientific, industrial and agricultural exhibition of the resources and products of the world. These have been secured from the four quarters of the globe, and placed in systematic order under the supervision of these great departments, and, while all the material upon the ground is not yet in place, I am gratified to be able to present to the president of the United States at this time the official catalogue containing the description and location of the exhibits of 40,000 participants in the exposition. The number of exhibitors will exceed 60,000 when everything is in place.

The citizens of our country are proud, and always will be proud, of the action of the congress of the United States of America in authorizing and directing this celebration to take place, and for appropriations of more than \$5,000,000 in its aid, and for the unswerving support and encouragement of the officers of the government. To the states of the Union we are largely indebted for active and substantial support. A sum in excess of \$6,000,000 has been raised and expended by the states and territories for official use in promoting their own interests conjointly with the general success of the exhibition. To the foreign nations who have a representation upon the grounds never before witnessed at any exposition, as is shown by the grand exhibits they have brought here, and the hundreds of official representatives of foreign governments who are present on this occasion, we bow in grateful thanks. More than \$6,000,000 has been officially appropriated for these commissions in the furtherance of their participation in the exposition. The great nations of Europe and their dependencies are all represented on these grounds. The governments of Asia and Africa and the republics of the Western hemisphere are, with few exceptions, here represented. To the citizens and the corporation of the city of Chicago, who furnished \$11,000,000 as a contribution, and in addition

tion loaned the management \$5,000,000 more, are due the grateful acknowledgment of our own people and the honored guests who share the advantages of this great international festival.

To the tens of thousands of exhibitors who contributed a larger amount than all others combined we are under the deepest obligations for their interest and their co-operation in our work.

To the women of Chicago and our great land, whose prompt, spontaneous and enthusiastic co-operation in our work turned the eyes of the world toward the exposition as toward a new star in the east, the inspiration of womanhood everywhere, we extend our cordial and unreserved recognition. It is our hope that this great exposition may inaugurate a new era of moral and material progress, and our fervent aspiration that the association of the nations here may secure not only larger and stronger friendship, but lasting peace throughout the world.

The grand concerted illustration of modern progress, which is here presented for the encouragement of art, science, industry and commerce, has necessitated the expenditure, including the outlay of our exhibitors, largely in excess of \$100,000,000. We have given it our constant thought. Our most devoted service, our best energy; and now in this central city of this great republic on the continent discovered by Columbus, whose distinguished descendants are present, the honored guests of our nation, it only remains for you, Mr. President, if in your opinion the exposition here presented is commensurate in dignity with what the world should expect of our great country, to direct it to be opened to the public, and when you touch this magic key the ponderous machinery will start in its revolutions and the activities of this exposition will begin.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S ADDRESS.

The director-general then presented Cleveland, who was kept waiting several minutes until the applause should subside, when, with bared head he spoke as follows.

I am here to join my fellow citizens in congratulations which befit the occasion. Surrounded by the stupendous results of American enterprise and activity, and in view of the magnificent evidence of American skill and intelligence, we need not fear that these congratulations will be exaggerated. We stand today in the presence of the oldest nations of the world and point to the great achievements we here exhibit, asking no allowance on the score of youth. The enthusiasm with which we contemplate our work has intensified the warmth of the greeting we extend to those who have come from foreign lands to illustrate with us the growth and progress of human endeavor in the direction of higher civilization. We who believe that popular education and a stimulation of the best impulses of our citizens lead the way to the realization of the proud national destiny which our faith promises, gladly welcome the opportunity here afforded us to see the results accomplished by efforts which have been exerted longer than ours in the field of man's improvements, while in appreciative return we exhibit the unparalleled advancement and wonderful accomplishment of our young nation, and present the triumph of vigorous self-reliance of an independent people. We have built these splendid edifices, but we have also built the magnificent fabric of a popular government whose grand portions are seen throughout the world. We have made and gathered together for object use the beauty and products of American skill and invention. We have also made men who rule themselves. It is an exalted mission in which we and our guests from other lands are engaged, and as we co-operate in the inauguration of an enterprise devoted to human enlightenment and in the undertaking we here enter upon, we exemplify in the noblest sense the brotherhood of nations. Let us hold fast to the meaning that underlies this ceremony, and let us not lose the impressiveness of this moment. As by a touch the machinery that gives life to this vast exposition is now set in motion, now at the same instant let our hopes and aspirations awaken the forces which in all times to come shall influence the welfare, dignity and freedom of mankind.

As he concluded, the vast throng saw him extend his hand to the button of the golden key, which released the pent-up steam in the great engines, set the chimes ringing, and unfurled a myriad of flags from the great building, and the stupendous enterprise commemorating the 400th anniversary of Columbus' great achievement was in full swing. The president and officials were then entertained at luncheon, and made the rounds of the buildings.

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