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Shaping of World's Fair Grounds Appears to Be the Work of Magic.

EXCITING SCENES WITNESSED

No Workmen Will Be in Sight Today, Everything by That Time Being in Readiness for Opening of Exposition.

St. Louis, April 29.—Scenes are being witnessed these days in the shaping up of the grounds at the world's fair that are little short of magic, with the opening of the great exposition but one day off, the enormous force of workmen, representing every craft, is working like beavers, but with steady and well directed purpose, to the end of making it present a completed appearance Saturday. A week ago the unknowing visitors would have viewed the seemingly chaos with dubious thoughts as to the ability of the exposition management to finish the physical part of the exposition time.

From day to day the transformation of the grounds is marvelous. Tons of debris, scores of unsightly shacks, temporary bridges and murky pools that disfigured the beautiful main picture disappeared in a night and in their place there is greensward, flowering beds or a bright colored booth. Interminable strings of unsightly box cars that but 12 hours before stood on the tracks in the center of the picture, perhaps loaded down with tons of exhibit material from the four quarters of the globe have disappeared their burden in the building. Carloads of cinders for walks and paths stand on the tracks one moment and when one looks for them an hour hence the cars are gone and the walks and paths have appeared. Buildings that one time were surrounded by scaffolding

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and a maze of rude planks and scantlings, giving them a most unfinished appearance, in a trice are stripped of these reminders of a period when they were in their constructive stage, and shine forth in all their glory of fresh paint and flying flags.

By Saturday morning not a workman will be in sight engaged in the task of clearing and shaping up. The work will have been done. The picture will be on exhibition for the admiring gaze of the world's visitors and, with walks clean and flowers blooming, the green of the lawns a perfect harmony, with the ivory of the palaces, the world will see the finished fair without ever knowing what remained to be done but a day before it was accomplished.

NEW DEPARTMENTS CREATED.

Business Arrangements of Santa Fe Being Improved.

Chicago, April 29.—The Santa Fe railway has created two new general departments—the tie and timber, of which E. O. Faulkner will be manager, and the statistics department, with James Peabody at the head. Besides taking charge of all tie and timber affairs of the Santa Fe, Mr. Faulkner will also have charge of plants for the preservative treatment of ties and timber. Mr. Faulkner has been the assistant general manager, at Topeka. The department of statistics will handle all the statistical work of the system. Thirty clerks employed in the Santa Fe office at Topeka, in the various departments, will be brought to Chicago to work under Chief Statistician Peabody. Up to this time the extensive statistical work has been done by special clerks.

FLOATING CHATAUQUA.

Unique Plan for Instructing Children on Chicago River.

Chicago, April 29.—Plans have been completed for a "floating chatauqua," to be established on the Chicago river for the instruction of school children in the geography and geology of the city and the methods of carrying on commerce. Two steamers will be hired by Principal William W. Watt of the Graham school, promoter of the project.

The boats will make three trips daily. The lectures will be given while the boats are anchored at Grant park.

ALL BECAUSE OF A MOUSE

Screams of Woman in Gallery Create Panic at Philadelphia Theater.

SOME ONE YELLS FIRE

Prompt Action of Actors in Starting Up Orchestra Calms People and the Show Is Resumed.

Philadelphia, April 29.—A miniature panic has occurred during a performance at the Standard theater. Only three or four children were hurt and not seriously. Several women fainted but recovered quickly.

The trouble occurred near the end of the performance and was caused by the screams of a woman in the gallery who had been frightened by a mouse. She jumped from her seat, and so alarmed those sitting nearby that one of them cried "fire." Instantly the crowd rose and began to rush for the exit, but the actors got the orchestra to strike up an air and called upon the frightened people to be seated. Many already had reached the doors and there was quite a rush, but it was over in a moment and the play was resumed.

ACCORDING TO QUANTITY.

Oil Cloth Men at Meeting Decide on Plan for Regulating Discounts.

New York, April 29.—Representatives of large linoleum and floor oil cloth manufacturers have decided, at a meeting here to restore, on May 1, the practice of regulating discounts according to quantity. While price lists will remain the same as heretofore, the change in discount establishes a general advance. The manufacturers declare their action to have been necessary because of highly unsatisfactory trade conditions.

Kaiser Buys Venice Home.

New York, April 29.—Emperor William has commissioned an agent to

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purchase for him a large old historic palace in Venice, says a Herald dispatch from that city. The building is filled with art treasures. It is stated that the emperor intends to pass some weeks in Venice each year. The Hohenzollern, which has been visited by many Venetians, will sail today. The emperor has sent decorations to the mayor, the prefect and the head of the police department.

A GREAT SENSATION.

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind., when W. H. Brown of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. He writes: "I endured insufferable agonies from Asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis and Grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Guaranteed by Charles Rogers, Druggist. Trial bottles free.

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12.00 - " -	6.45	8.50 - " -	3.74	3.00 - " -	1.45
18.00 - " -	9.85	15 & 18 " -	9.85	5 & 6 " -	2.39
20, 25 & 30 " -	12.85				

TO-DAY we are still selling goods at our Opening Prices, TO-DAY being the Last Day of our 10 Day Opening Cut Price Sale, MAKE TO-DAY the day to do your Shopping and SAVE 50 PER CENT.

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STORE WILL BE OPEN UNTIL 11 P. M. TO-NIGHT.

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