Chicago World's Fair (The Columbia Exposition), 1893 - Topics in . (May 1, 1893–October 30, 1893.) Map of Fairgrounds, 1893 The first world's fair, London's Crystal Palace Exhibition of 1851, had been tackled the equally monumental task of giving form to the millions of exhibits that would go on display. Take a Virtual Trip to the 1893 World's Fair, Site of Devil in the White . Together, these materials document the 1893 World's Fair from its planning stages in the . October 15, 1890; typed letter signed, with draft letter, 3 p. May 1, [1892]; Breakfast and a visit to the Fair grounds, hosted by Daniel H. Burnham,