

Department of State,
Washington, June 6, 1890.

Elias Carr Esq.,
Alternate Commissioner
Old Sparta, N.C.

Sir:

With reference to Section 4 of the
Act of Congress approved April 25, 1890,
and entitled:

"An Act to provide for celebrating the
"four hundredth anniversary of the dis-
"covery of America by Christopher Columbus
"by holding an international exhibition
"of arts, industries, manufactures and the
"product of the soil, mine and sea, in the
"city of Chicago, in the State of Illinois,"

I have the honor to inform you

that the first meeting of the World's Columbian Commission is called to be held in the City of Chicago, at noon, at the Grand Pacific Hotel, on Thursday, the 26th day of June, — instant, for the purpose of organizing by the election of officers and the appointment of such Committees as may be deemed expedient.

Inviting your attention to Sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Act, copy of which is herewith enclosed and especially to that part of Section 3 relative to your own duties in a certain contingency,

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

James G. Blaine

Enclosure: Copy of the Act of Congress mentioned above.