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Russia Day, August 3, 1893

at the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago

This day was chosen as being the "name day" of the Empress Marie. The imperial red, black, and yellow took their turn in combination with the "red, white, and blue," and the double-headed eagle had precedence for a while over the American bird.



Manufacturers and Liberal Arts Building, World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago.

The official celebration was in the form of a festival concert of Russian music at Festival Hall in the afternoon and an all-day reception at the Russian pavilion in Manufactures Building. The Exposition orchestra played at the concert, supporting a Chicago society of Russian singers directed by Mr. V. J. Hlavac. In the evening a banquet was given by the Russian Commissioner.