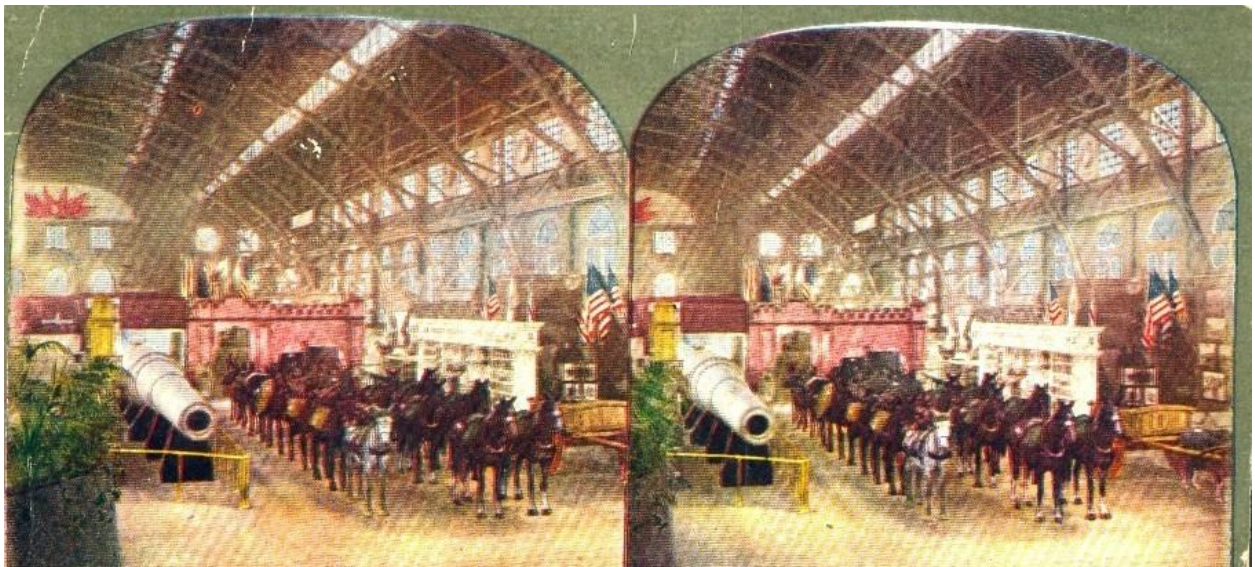


## Horse



This life size taxidermy horse was part of the War Department exhibit in the Government Building at the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, Missouri. Six horse models were used to display artillery equipment which was being manufactured by the U.S. Government. At the close of the exposition, the six horses were sent to Rock Island Arsenal and became part of the museum's original collection.



Stereoview of the six horse artillery team on display at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition or St. Louis World's Fair.

One remaining horse is presently on display in the Rock Island Arsenal Museum. The horse is a full size, chestnut mare. The horse skeleton is intact inside a wire and plaster framework upon which the hide is mounted. The other five horses were removed from the collection at different times because of disrepair. The remaining horse is enclosed in a Plexiglas case to further protect this important artifact.