

CORPORATIONS AND THE CITY

Showing of Business Relations in Light of Tax Sui.

MONEY PAID IN AND MONEY TAKEN OUT

Five Years Record of Taxes Paid and Charges Collected by the Public Service Corporations.

In response to numerous requests for information as to the business of the public service corporations with the city of Omaha the following statement, taken from the books of the city treasurer and city controller, is given.

The statement shows the total amount of money received by the city from the five public service corporations for the ten years ending December 31, 1901, and shows the amount of money paid by the city to the four public service corporations which have contracts with the municipal corporations.

Because of the nature of the franchise of the Omaha Gas Company it is possible to give an exact statement of the total cash receipts of that company from the sale of gas to private consumers and the city. The company pays a royalty of 5 per cent on its cash sales of gas, exclusive of the amount received from the city. This exception is made because the city is furnished gas at the rate of per 1,000 feet. The statement is as follows:

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Peter Hofeldt, the 200-pound chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, accompanied by Commissioners "Dick" O'Keefe and H. C. Ostrom drove over the north half of Douglas county Wednesday afternoon with Dr. W. H. Hanchett's phaeton and pair. It was not due to the fact that the county is too poor to hire a team as a liverly stable, but rather to the fact that "Peter" Hofeldt made a mistake and appropriated the wrong team. The purpose of the junket was to inspect roads and bridges, and necessitated a long, hard drive. The seat was so narrow that one of the trio had to sit on the knees of the other two, and at this they took turns about. The springs, being bumping on the "ex" most of the time.

Meanwhile nearly everybody in any way connected with the incident was mystified or vexed, or both. The doctor thought his team was stolen, and was worried; the police worked all the afternoon on the same theory, and were baffled; the liverly stable manager of whom Hofeldt had engaged another team thought he had lost a customer, and was provoked; the telephone girls noticed their labors had increased, and were weary; Dr. Hanchett's patients thought he was never coming, and were nervous, while the team went without its dinner, and was hungry. As to the commissioners, they found the vehicle was too small, and were squeezed.

Asked if he were indignant because of Hofeldt's blunder, Dr. Hanchett said: "Well, I had to make my calls on horseback, and as I'm not used to riding horseback I'm naturally a little sore."

JAMES LEO IS FREE AGAIN. Complaining Witness Fails to Make Good for Prospective New Trial.

James Leo is again a free man after serving one of the thirteen years he was sentenced to in the penitentiary at Lincoln for robbery. Deputy County Attorney Abbott entered nolle prosequi in the case against him yesterday, because the complaining witness, Charles Duke, a saloon keeper at Eighteenth and Leavenworth streets, seems to have had change of heart for reasons not clear and is reported to have said that he is not sure Leo is the man who held up his place, with the assistance of four others, in November, 1900, as he originally testified. The police took Leo back to jail for the officers to have a last look at him in anticipation of future needs.

Detective Drummy said: "Leo belonged to a bad bunch and was the worst in it. His name was prosecuted here and the last time Judge Baker sent him over the road for thirteen years. Leo has friends and money somewhere behind him and engaged lawyers, who persuaded the supreme court that there was an error in the original proceedings. He was remanded for a new trial, but in the meantime some strange force had gotten to work on Duke and he couldn't be relied upon, so the county had to let Leo go."

"Of the four men who were with him in the job, Whitmore and Parker took on another pal named Edman and the three robbed St. Paul's people of about \$30,000, winding up by fatally shooting a policeman who caught them while they were at work."

ROURKE APPEALS BROWN CASE. Pitcher Will Play with Omaha in First Game at Kansas City.

A dispatch from Peoria says that Manager Rourke of the Omaha Baseball club has appealed from the decision of President Sexton in the Brown case to the Association of Union Base Ball Clubs. Brown claims that he did not sign a contract with Terre Haute last year and Rourke says the claim is based upon a three-year clause of a previous one. Brown will pitch Omaha's opening game at Kansas City.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. On account of the serious illness of his father at Decoria, Neb., Lieutenant LaVergne C. Gregg has been granted a leave of absence of one month.

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Special Rule No. 4.—No roll call can be demanded except on findings and final determination and judgment. If any difference arises as to the admission of evidence or any vital method of procedure, the members of the Board of Equalization shall retire to the committee room, and the chairman and the chairman of the board shall