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CORRESPONDENCE.

CITY OF BALTIMORE
DEPARTMENT
OF
PUBLIC PARKS AND SQUARES
GENERAL OFFICES, DRUID HILL PARK.

Baltimore, May 10th, 1910.

Mr. Edgar Allan Poe,
City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

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Mr. C. A. Kriechbaum and Mr. A. S. Weiss left the service of this Department shortly before the last regular pay-day on May 2nd. Both men were engineers and left the City to take positions with a railroad company. Before leaving, they each signed the pay-roll for salaries due them for the month of April, with the understanding that I would forward the money to them when obtained on May 2nd. The signing of the pay-roll in advance was done to avoid the necessity of sending the pay-roll to them out of town.

I am holding the money under orders from the General Superintendent of Parks to whom it was reported by the Park Engineer that these men did not turn in their diaries when they left the service. Demand has been made by letter that the diaries be returned, but the engineers, I believe, claim that the same are not park property. I feel that I have no right to retain the April salaries, particularly in view of the fact that they have signed the pay-rolls, and I will thank you to let me have an opinion by which I may be guided, assuming that the diaries are not returned.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. V. Kelly,
Secretary-Treasurer.