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# **City Electric Railway Company records**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Arkansas State Archives
<b>Title</b>	City Electric Railway Company records
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1887-1893
<b>Extent</b>	0.1 Cubic feet 2 folders
<b>Language</b>	English
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## **Biographical/Historical Note**

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The City Electric Street Railway Company of Little Rock was incorporated in 1887 by Howard Adams, M.W. Benjamin, and John B. Jones. The first track operated from Second and Louisiana Street to the Southeast part of Little Rock. They began using horse-drawn streetcars but eventually changed to steam-operated streetcars. Officers of the company included Howard Adams, President; M.W. Benjamin, Secretary; John B. Jones, Treasurer; and C.H. Blakeslee, Superintendent. Directors included John B. Jones, W.B. Worthen, Harry E. Kelley, Howard Adams, and M.W. Benjamin. The company closed due to bankruptcy in 1895.

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## **Scope and Contents**

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This collection contains articles of incorporation and correspondence pertaining to the early operation of the City Electric Railway Company of Little Rock and the hardships it faced due to lack of funds.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Unknown, 1937.

Correspondence

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## Collection Inventory

Articles of Incorporation

1887 December 21

### Correspondence

1887 November 22: M.W. Benjamin, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1887 December 18: M.W. Benjamin, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 February 7: John O'Connell, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, to M.W. Benjamin, Little Rock, Arkansas

1888 February 16: M.W. Benjamin, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 February 26: M.W. Benjamin, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 March 2: J.B. Polley, Fort Smith, Arkansas, to Lane, Kent, and Kelley

1888 March 3: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Lane, Kent, and Kelley

1888 March 8: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Lane, Kent, and Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 March 13: M.W. Benjamin Law Office, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

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1888 March 24: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Lane, Kent, and Kelley

1888 March 24: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Lane, Kent, and Kelley

1888 March 29: Telegram, Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Lane, Kent, and Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 April 16: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 May 21: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 May 25: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 June 10: Postcard, E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 June 11: Telegram, Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 July 9: Postcard, E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 July 12: Postcard, E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 July 13: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 July 14: Postcard, E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 July 14: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley



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1888 July 14: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 July 15: Postcard, E.L. Lane, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 July 16: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 July 16: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 July 18: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 July 19: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry M. Kelley

1888 July 20: Postcard, E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 July 20: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 July 21: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 July 26: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 July 30: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 July 31: Postcard, E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 August 1: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 2: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

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1888 August 5: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 6: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 8: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 11: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 12: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 13: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 13: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 20: C.H. Blakeslee, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 August 21: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 August 27: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 September 1: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 September 10: C.H. Blakeslee, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 September 10: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 September 11: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

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1888 September 13: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 September 18: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 September 22: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 September 23: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 September 28: M.W. Benjamin, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 September: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 October 1: Telegram, Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 October 1: Telegram, Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 October 8: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 October 8: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 October 8: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 October 11: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 October 15: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

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1888 October 16: M.W. Benjamin, Little Rock, Arkansas, to H. E. Kelley

1888 October 18: Telegram: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 October 20: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 October 22: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 October 23: Telegram, Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 October 26: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 October 28: Telegram, Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 November 10: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 November 13: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry [E. Kelley]

1888 November 22: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 November 22: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 November 24: C.H. Blakeslee, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 December 21: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to H.E. Kelley

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1888 December 22: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1888 December 25: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1888 December 28: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 January 3: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 January 3: Telegram, Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas, to Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas

1889 January 3: M.W. Benjamin, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 January 4: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 January 4: Check, City Electric Street Railway Company, by Howard Adams, to W.B. Worthen and Company

1889 January 10: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 January 16: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to H.E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 January 16: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 January 17: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 January 21: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

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1889 February 16: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 February 21: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 February 23: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 February 27: R.T. Race, Chicago, Illinois, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 February 27: R.T. Race, Irving Park, Illinois, to Lane and Kent

1889 February 27: John B. Jones, Hot Springs, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 March 4: Telegram, John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 March 5: Telegram, John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 March 5: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 March 6: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 March 8: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 March 13: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 March 27: Telegram, John B. Jones, New York, New York, to Harry E. Kelley

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1889 March 29: Q.A. Stephenson, New York, New York, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 April 3: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 April 5: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 April 11: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 April 14: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 April 23: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 April 26: Howard Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 April 29: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to O. Kent, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 May 1: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Lane, Kent, and Kelley

1889 May 7: Telegram, John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 May 7: Elmer L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 May 15: E.L. Lane, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 May 23: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1889 May 28: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

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1889 May 29: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

188[9] June 4: C.T. Walker, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 July 13: John B. Jones, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1889 September 13: E.H. Hillman and Company, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 January 7: William C. Van Antwerp, Little Rock, Arkansas, to H.E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 March 5: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1890 March 21: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 April 12: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 April 21: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 April 24: H.G. Allis, Saint Louis, Missouri, to H.E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 April 29: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 May 5: E.H. Hillman, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 June 7: E.H. Hillman and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Frank E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas



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1890 June 10: E.H. Hillman and Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Washington, District of Columbia

1890 June 30: T.S. May, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 November 28: Auten and Moss, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 December 4: Auten and Moss, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas

1890 December 9: H.F. Auten, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1890 December 13: H.F. Auten, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Harry E. Kelley

1893 March 23: Walker Brothers and Company, New York, New York, to Lane, Kent, and Kelley, Fort Smith, Arkansas