



STATE OF MINNESOTA
STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE

ST. PAUL

March 17, 1908.

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Hon. Julius A. Schmahl,
Secretary of State.

Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of to-day enclosing copy of a letter from the Public Examiner, stating that an examination of the Oil Inspection Department, covering the period from January 1st, 1905, to October 31st, 1907, had been made, and that a discrepancy of \$6,199.95 was shown in the amount of fees collected.

You ask if the above amount has been paid to the State.

In reply, you are advised, that a careful examination has been made of the reports filed in this department, by the State Oil Inspector, showing the amount of fees collected each month, during the time in question, and I do not find any reference to any amount to apply on the discrepancy referred to in the Public Examiner's communication.

Very truly yours,

S. G. Iverson
State Auditor.

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March 17th, 1908

Hon. Julius A. Schmahl,
Secretary of State.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of today, enclosing copy of report made to you by the Public Examiner, showing a shortage in the accounts of John A. McDermott, Oil Inspector for the period extending from Jan'y 1st, 1905 to Oct. 31st, 1907, aggregating \$6,199.95. In your favor you state that a copy of the report is submitted for such advice as this office desires to give.

I beg to say that under the circumstances, as the custodian of the official bond of that department, you had better ascertain whether the shortage has been paid into the State Treasury, as stated by the Public Examiner, and if not, you should immediately notify the sureties on the official bond of the delinquent officer.

When the Public Examiner furnishes you with a complete report of his examination, showing how this shortage arose and when and under what circumstances the moneys were misappropriated, I would be glad if you would transmit to this office the original or a copy of such report, in order that such further proceedings may be taken as the law may require.

Yours truly,

E. T. Young
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Julius C. Hall
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