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This is an internal cost accounting record for activities of the Holladay-Klotz Land and Lumber Company in Wayne County, Missouri, for the year 1906. Included are figures for the closely-related Williamsville, Greenville and St. Louis Railway Company.

The Holladay-Klotz Land and Lumber Company was incorporated on 21 August 1895 with a capitalization of \$600,000 in 1200 shares. Major stockholders were H. M. Holladay (690 shares) of Williamsville, Missouri, and Eli Klotz (299 shares) of Piedmont, Missouri. Other investors were Richard Medley (150 shares), C. C. Rainwater (60 shares), and H. G. Anderson (1 share), all of St. Louis. The first meeting of shareholders was at 511 Washington Avenue in St. Louis, but the firm's activities were centered in Wayne County, Missouri, where it maintained lumber camps and stores. In 1907 the number of directors was expanded from 5 to 7, but by 1910 the circuit attorney for the city of St. Louis declared the firm out of business. Its charter was reinstated in 1911, but on 2 December 1914 the charter was declared forfeit by the Missouri Secretary of State for failure to file an annual registration.

Closely associated with the Holladay-Klotz company was the Williamsville, Greenville and St. Louis Railway Company, which was organized on 24 January 1894 to construct a standard-gauge railroad from Williamsville northeastward. Among the incorporators were H. M. Holladay and Eli Klotz, while C. C. Rainwater served as President. In 1895 the road's capital stock was increased from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000. On 2 December 1916 the firm's charter was declared forfeit by the Missouri Secretary of State for failure to file an annual registration.

This volume presents summary accounts for the company's various areas of activity for the year 1906. During the year the firm's "surplus" appears to have increased from about \$265,000 to \$287,000. There are accounts for such activities as "Greenville Plant," "Williamsville Plant," "Real Estate," Greenville Farm," Store #2," Iron Mining + Expense," "Lumber," "Profit and Loss," and the "Williamsville, Greenville & St. Louis Railway Company."

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