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J. W. Berkery

REPORTED ON BY COMMITTEE.

16 SEP. 1916

PROPERTY LOSSES (IRELAND) COMMITTEE, 1916.

Inspector's Report.

Claim No. 1293.

Name of Claimant T W Berkery.

Occupation Private.

Situation of Property 5 Verhon. Street, South Circular Road Dublin.

Description	Claim	Insurance (if any)	Valuation of Buildings (Commissioner of Valuation)	Inspector's Valuation of full Damage	Loss Payable on basis of Insurance	Excess of Loss over and above amount payable under the Policies of Insurance
Contents.	£4:2:0	Nil	-----	£3:5:0 <i>P</i>	Nil	-----
TOTALS, £						

Interests in the buildings The clothes in this case were destroyed, but were according to Claimant statement practically new.

The Suit was purchased in Messrs Clery some eight months before the Rebellion at a cost of £4:4:0. I however consider £1:6:0 a fair amount to be deducted for depreciation in value, and I therefore recommend a payment of £3:5:0. The Claimant is now in London working at Munitions.

*Herbert White*  
Inspector.

Award of Committee: Contents \_\_\_\_\_

Do. Buildings \_\_\_\_\_

Deubigh House,  
Deubigh Street,  
London. W.

22. 8. 1916.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your  
letter and am obliged for same.

The clothes referred  
to were purchased in Clerys  
about eight months previous  
to the Rebellion and were  
only worn on Sundays. I'm  
sorry to say receipt is not  
available but if you

early settlement.

Yours truly,

J. W. Berkeley.

A. White Esq.

made enquiries in O'Leary's  
His Department they will  
be in a position to elucidate.

Although the clothes were  
practically new they had to  
be destroyed owing to the  
noxious odour emanating  
from them. They were absolutely  
saturated in blood and if  
you call to Portobello and  
ask for Lieut. J. C. Byrne of  
R. I. M. B. or Lieut. Gibben they  
will be able to corroborate  
my remarks as they attended  
me on the fatal night.

Trusting to have an

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# Property Losses (Ireland) Committee, 1916.

51 ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN, EAST, DUBLIN.

## Claim for Damages caused during the Disturbances on the 24th April, 1916, and following days.

*See Correspondence*

I J. W. Berkery now residing

We 5 Fernou Street in the City of Dublin  
County of Dublin

do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

1916, damage was done to the undermentioned Property, namely:—\*

\* State situation of property damaged.

1 Lounge, 2nd Floor, The ... Collar

and such damage was occasioned to the best of <sup>my</sup>our belief by\*\* through

\*\* Here state cause of damage.

malice by Col 40 of Armoured Cars

And <sup>I</sup>We further declare that the Property and Articles specified on the other side were so destroyed or damaged; that the Cost Price of same was as shown in each case; that at the time of the destruction or damage they were respectively of the Values specified under the head "Value of Property at time of Destruction or Damage"; and that, in consequence of such destruction or damage, claim is hereby made for the sums specified under the head "Amount Claimed"; that the Claim is made by <sup>me</sup>us

as† \_\_\_\_\_; and that no person is interested in

† Insert "Owner," "Lessee," or "Mortgagee," as the case may be.

the said property except‡ \_\_\_\_\_

‡ Insert "myself," or "ourselves," and the names of Mortgagees, Lessors, Lessees, or joint owners (if any).

and that it is not insured by <sup>me</sup>us or any other person, § except as follows, namely:—

Company	Policy No.	Amount £
.....	.....	£.....
.....	.....	£.....
.....	.....	£.....

§ Strike out the words following if the property is not insured.

And I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act, 1835.

Made and subscribed the 8<sup>th</sup> day of

July 1916, at Monkstown  
Co. Dublin in the said Dublin County,

before me, a Justice of the Peace for the said

Dublin County. Thomas Clarke J.P.

Signature of Claimant } J. W. Berkery

NOTE—This Claim should be accompanied by the Policies of Fire Insurance and the last receipt, in each case, or certified copies of same. When completed it is to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Committee, 51 St. Stephen's Green, East, Dublin.

# PARTICULARS OF THE CLAIM.

(TO BE GIVEN IN DETAIL.)

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY DESTROYED OR DAMAGED.	Cost Price.			Value of Property at time of Destruction or Damage.			Value of Salvage.			Amount Claimed		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1 Lounge Suit Brown, with purple stripes	4	4	0							3	15	0
1 Shirt Cambrie	4	6								4	6	
1 Tie Black corded silk	2	6								2	6	
										<u>£ 10</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>

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*3/7/16*

Carried forward.

CHIEF SECRETARY'S  
9775 -- 2 JUN 1916  
OFFICE

*Under Secretary.*

*Submitted for decision.*

*Esty.*

*CO-6-26.*

*Not Unable to admit any liability in the matter  
which forms the subject of your letter of the 9th inst.*

*W. G. 16  
16*

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Audit Office,  
Gt Northern Railway  
Lincns Street  
g. b. 1916.

Air,  
Enclosed please find  
Copy of letter I sent to  
Gen. Sir I. G. Maxwell,  
and his reply thereto  
repering the Claim to  
you.

This claim is only  
for damage done to  
wearing apparel, besides  
this I have a bad



scar over my right temple, which will probably remain there for lifetime.

Trusting you will give the matter your kind attention, and hoping to have an early reply.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Serv,

J.W. Berkery

The Under Secretary,  
Dublin Castle.

and completely destroyed my  
suit value £3. 15. 0; my shirt  
value 4/6, tie 2/6 and my  
Collar. I had to be  
detained in Portobello  
Military Hospital the  
whole night for fear of  
Hemorrhage. I was attended  
by the Military Doctor  
also Lieutenants F. Byrne  
and Drifben, and Messrs  
Kafter & Griffin of R.A.M.C.  
who will I am sure verify  
the correctness of my  
Statement. Hoping to  
have an early reply.

I am, Sir,  
Your Obedt. Servant  
(Signed) J. Wall Berkeley.

~~Copy~~

Great Northern Ry,  
Avenue Street,  
2nd June 1916.

Sir, I beg to submit the  
following Claim, which I  
trust will meet with your  
approval.

On Sunday 30th April  
I went to the Telephone Ex.  
where my Sister is an  
operator and got a pass  
from the Officer in Charge  
to North Cir Road. Return  
house I was held up at  
Harcourt Street, (which is  
two minutes from my house)  
at 6.50 p.m. and owing to

were several shots fired on  
the Car from an old Mill,  
and the Colonel ordered  
the Car to be driven  
nearer this building.  
Opposite it there is a  
narrow Lane and on  
learning this from me  
the Soldier who sat next  
me, asked me to change  
places. As soon as I moved  
the Colonel gave me a box  
in the eye and the mouth  
and finally a bang of the  
butt end of the rifle, which  
implicated a very severe  
gash in my forehead.

The blood flowed very  
profusely from the wound

the sniping which was then  
in progress I was kept there  
until 7.30 pm. Then the  
Sergeant informed me I  
would have to go round  
by the Canal & Harolds Cross  
Bridge. I started off  
accordingly and passed  
several sentries including  
Portobello Barracks, but  
was held up at Harolds  
Cross Bridge by the  
Colonel in Charge of the  
Boiler shaped Armoured  
Car. He would neither  
examine my pass or  
listen to my explanation,  
but told me to get into  
the Car and consider  
myself his prisoner. Just  
as I was seated there

Headquarters, Irish Command,  
Park Gate, Dublin.  
7th June 1916.

~~Copy~~

Sir,

In reply to your letter I am directed to express regret for the inconvenience you were put to and to say that such unfortunate occurrences were difficult to avoid under the circumstances.

I should you consider you have a legitimate claim for compensation for loss of Clothes this should be submitted in detail to the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle.

The Colonel you refer to has since died.

Yours faithfully

(Signed) G. H. Pomeroy Colley  
Major, Staff Captain,  
for Major General & Administration  
Irish Command.

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CHIEF SECRETARY'S  
9923 - 13 JUN 1916  
OFFICE

The Under Secretary,  
Dublin Castle.

In continuation of previous memos, I have the honour to forward herewith claims of the following:-

F.W.Berkery, G.N.Raily, Amiens Street, Dublin.  
Mrs J.W.Swayne, 49, Kenilworth Square, Rathgar, do.  
Mrs McCarthy, 58, John Willon Street, do.  
*x loss of husband* (Claim<sup>x</sup> made on her behalf by  
Mr J, McHugh, Solicitor, 43, Rutland Square) do.  
Cornelius Allen, 1, Coolgreany Road, Arklow.  
*xx loss of son +  
wounding of mother xx* A.D.Sainsbury, 54, Haroldville Tce, S.C.Road, Dublin.  
*xxx* Mrs F.Frith,  
*Loss of son.* (Claim preferred by Messrs Sheridan & Kenny,  
Solicitors, 24, Eustace Street, Dublin.  
Miss Bridget Cullen, 131, North King Street, do.  
(Claim made M.S.Bergin, Solicitor, do.  
*xxxx* George X.Thompson, 9, Stamer Street, S.C.Road, do.

*(Wounding)*

The claimants have been informed that the Military do not admit any responsibility in the matter, but I am referring their claims to you as the Civil Authority and propose to adopt a similar course with regard to future claims that come in, in view of the possibility of a Board of Assessment being assembled hereafter under your office.

*W.S. Taylor*

Colonel, A.D.S.T.,  
for Major-General i/c Administration,  
Irish Command.

Headquarters,  
Parkgate,  
Dublin.

12/6/16.

*Added to file  
C.C.F.  
13-6-16.*

Military Hospital, the whole  
night for fear of hemorrhage.  
I was attended by the  
Military Doctor there, also  
Lieuts J.C. Byrne & Gibben  
and Messrs Kaffer, Griffin  
of the R. A. M. C. who I am  
sure will be able to verify  
the correctness of my  
statement.

Hoping to have a favourable  
reply.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedt. Servant,

J.W. Berkeley

Great Northern Rly,  
Amiens Street,  
Dublin.

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is an operator, and got a pass  
to North Cir. Rd. from the  
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which is 2 minutes from my

from an Old Bill and the  
Colonel ordered the Car to  
be driven nearer this  
building Opposite it there  
is a narrow lane and on  
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Soldier whom I was sitting  
beside asked me to exchange  
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of his rifle, which inflicted  
a very severe gash. The blood  
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