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John O'Neill

Not proceeded with (list 9 A)

1474 John O'Neill
Lucan
Cycle WKS



S.T.

Passed vide Captain Barton's report. I have seen the premises. The hole in the wall, is only through a plaster partition and could be repaired for a few shillings. There is no proof that the cash box was broken open by troops. It is not proposed to take disciplinary action.

Mully Capt

18/6/16.

Colonel,
"A"

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Headquarters,
Irish Command.



Forwarded.

P. H. H. H.

Belfast.

Major.

17-6-16.

for Commander, Belfast Garrison.

cc.

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Please obtain a report from Captain Barton.



Belfast
15/6/16

R. H. H. H.

James J. Jones

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Headquarters,

Belfast Garrison.

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Herewith report from Captain Barton as requested.

Arthur H. H. H.

Lieut. Colonel,

Garrickfergus,

Comdg. 4th R.I. Rifles.

16-6-16.

Garrison Commander,
Belfast.



This house was searched by Captain Barton Royal Irish Rifles attached 3rd. Bn. on May 2nd, 1916. Returned for report by this officer.

A report is also required from this officer re the alleged theft of a gold bracelet from 50, Longworth Avenue, on May, 2nd. This officer was in command of the searching party.

Enclosures to be returned.

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M. Brown

Headquarters.

Colonel, A.A.G.

13th. June, 1916. for Major General i/c Administration,
Irish Command.

From

Captain C. H. Burtin
4th Bn Rl Irish Rifles

To. The Adjutant

4th Bn Rl Irish Rifles

Sir

With reference to attached correspondence
I have the honor to report that:-

Acting under orders received from
O.C. Troop's Potobello Barracks.

I searched the Engineering works of
John O'Neill in Pleasant Street,
accompanied by Thomas Dempsey the
Caretaker of the works.

I absolutely deny the allegation of
John O'Neill that a cash box
was forcibly opened by men under
my command and that a leak

was bored through a wall. Thomas
Dumphy was present the whole time
the search was in progress.

In my opinion any damage that
was done was done by the rebels
the place around them was a hot-bed
of them.

As regards the alleged theft
of a gold bracelet from 50 Dunwoody
Avenue I know no such street.
I searched several houses in Dunwoody
Avenue but do not remember ~~the~~ if
No 50 was among them.

If you could inform me of the
name of the person living in No 50
I can state whether I entered the
house or not.

I handed a written report to the Intelligence
Officer Portobello Sts on my way home
I searched.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant

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16.6.16.

C. Estlin Barker Captain
41st Regt Irish R. - 66

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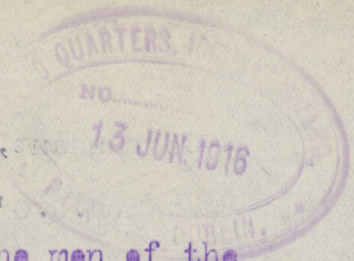
Major General i/c Administration,
Irish Command.

Reference Minute 11. I have interviewed the men of the
R.I.C. who are still at this School, but none of them know
what Officer was in Charge.

R. B. Hutchison Capt.,

Acting Commandant N.C.O.'s School.

Portobello Barracks,
Dublin.
12th. June, 1916.



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Commandant,

N.C.O.'s School of Instruction,

Portobello Barracks,

Dublin.

whose Officer was in charge.

Do any of the Constables, R.I.C., now with you know who
the Officer in charge was? They should not be interrogated on
the other points.

Please return all enclosures.

J. D. Poweroy Colly

H.Q. Dublin.

10/6/16.

Major, Staff Captain,

for Major General i/c Administration,
Irish Command.

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MEMORANDUM

From

O. C. 2

3RD (RESERVE) BN. ROYAL IRISH RIFLES

To

Garrison Commander,
Belfast.

From

To

Head Quarters

Irish Command.

ANSWER.

Belfast. 3. 6. 1916.

Report forwarded.

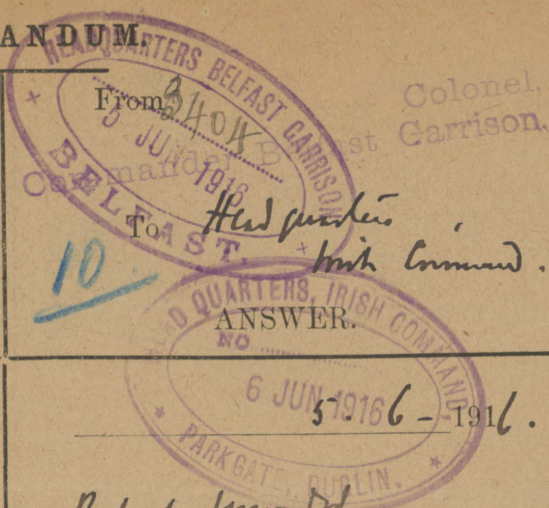
The District Officer - R.I.C.
will probably know more
about the case.

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Colonel,
Commander Belfast Garrison.

Reference attached, I beg to report that nothing is known of damage to this Cycle factory. There was a careful record kept of all houses which were searched and the premises in question do not appear on the list.

There were two Officers of Highland Regts. attached for Duty in Portobello Barracks during the disturbance, Lt. W. H. Heron 4th Cameronians and Lt. G. Ramsay 3/5 Highland Light Infantry. The latter Officer did not accompany any party which left Barracks for the purpose



of searching houses.

It is submitted
that the damage
complained of may have
been done by the rebels
who were in strong force
in this district during
the disturbance.



W. J. M. Bannister Lieut. Col
3rd Res. Bn. Royal Irish Rifles.

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O. G. R. R.

In action.

Belfast
20/5/16

P. H. H. M. M. J. J.
R. M. J. J.

A. P. H. to see
first. Seen
M. H. J. J.

DUBLIN CASTLE
METROPOLITAN POLICE
26 MAY 1916
No. 5595

Subject Alleged Damage
by Military in a Cycle
at Ammunition Factory

County of Dublin City

Royal Irish Constabulary Depot, Phoenix Park,

Dublin, 24th May, 1916

R.I. CONSTABULARY OFFICE
RECEIVED
25 MAY 1916
DUBLIN CASTLE

The Inspector General.

Submitted.

The O.C., N.C.O.'s School at Dordobello States that a careful record of all search parties was kept by R.I. Rifles, now in Belfast, and particulars could probably be obtained from the C.O., tho' it is possible that the names of the individual men may not be forthcoming.

It has been stated in the press that all complaints will be investigated by the military authorities, and if so, the R.I.C. men

Chief Commissioner.
Any R.I.C. that may have been present were not then acting as ^{apparently} constables, and the Inspector General agrees with the view put forward by the Commandant at A.

W. U. Davis
A.S.

26.5.16.

J. H. Probert Marshall

Transmitted -

W. J. Whiston

HEAD QUARTERS IRISH GUARD
27/5/16
28 MAY 1916

M.G. /c Adm. G.H.Q.

Forwarded.

M. J. [Signature]
Pur.

27/5/16

who belonged to this party,
if identified, may find
themselves accused.

I submit, therefore, that
they should not be in-
terrogated, as there ap-
pears to have been an
Officer in charge of the
party.

J. H. Pearson

A.I.G.

Commandant.

24 MAY 1911



DUBLIN METROPOLITAN POLICE.

Station Report,

Kilmainham Station, A Division.
19th May 1916

Alleged damage by Military in a
Cycle Works & Munitions Factory.

The D. Co

Please see A. Can you
mer throw any light
upon the circumstances of
the search?

W. L. L. L.
cc 20/5/16

(? 2nd May)

To Commandant

for inquiry

W. M. D. W. G.

A. P. H.

22.5.16

I beg to report
that Mr John O'Keill owner
of the Lucania Cycle Works,
and Munitions Factory, in
Pleasant Street reported to the
Police of Chancery Lane Station
that betw. 10 & 12 noon undist.
his Factory as above was entered
and searched by the Military,
who opened several drawers
and presses there, and in one
of the Workshops bored a hole
through a lathiced wall into
another Workshop, damaging
the wall to the amount of
about £1.0.0

He also alleged that a small
tin box containing about £5.10.0
consisting of two Ten Shilling
Treasury notes, a Five Shilling

The Superintendent
& Down

piece and remainder in
silver and copper, which was
subscribed by the workers there,
to an Hospital Fund, was
forced and contents stolen,
while the search was in
progress by the military.

His foreman Thos Dunphy
was arrested at the time
by the military and has been
since deported to Staffordshire.

This man, with William
Monks, 26 South King Street,
at present working there (the
latter being also detained for
a short time, but was sub-
sequently released) and Miss
O'Neill, the proprietors sister
could identify the military
who searched the place.

Monks informed me that
some of the party were R.I.C. A
men at present attached
to the R.I. Rifles at Portobello Bks,
and a Sgt. also belonged
to the R.I. Rifles, and Miss
O'Neill saw a Highland
Officer with them, when
searching in Mr O'Neill's
Factory in South King St,
a short time before they

went to Pleasant Street
and Mr. O'Neill states
this officer was also in
Pleasant Street, and he
subsequently saw him
in Portobello Barracks;
but beyond this in the
absence of Murphy (in
custody) he could not
supply any further evidence
as to their identity at
^{present.}

I visited the premises
on 19th inst and saw the
cash box and the damaged
wall etc; as pointed out by
Mr O'Neill

A. Lawler
Inspector.

Submitted.

L. W. Murphy Supt
20/5/16

The Chief Commr.
D. M. Police