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Arthur. H. Norway

REPORTED ON BY COMMITTEE.

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Assessors Report. 12th July 1916

Claim No. 1 5 7 0 Name of Claimant Arthur H. Norway,

Situation of Property General Post Office, Dublin.

Description	Claim	Insurance (if any)	Commissioners Valuation of Buildings	Assessors Valuation of full Damage	Loss Payable on basis of Insurance	Excess of Loss over and above amount payable under the Policies
Household Goods, Jewellery, &c.	634:II:0	Nil	445
TOTALS, £	634:II:0	Nil	445

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~~Interests in the buildings~~

The total of the details originally furnished is actually £604 : II : 0, but it will be observed that in completing the Claim Form the claim was increased to £634 : II : 0.

Walter James & Co

Award of Committee: Contents

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Property Losses (Ireland)
Committee, 1916,
51 St. Stephen's Green, E.
Dublin.

23rd June, 1916.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 21st instant forwarding particulars of claim in respect of personal property lost during the disturbances in Dublin. A copy of the form of claim, prescribed by the Committee, will be sent to you in a few days.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

Arthur H. Norway, Esq.,
Secretary,
General Post Office.

21 June 1916

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for the consideration of the Committee on Property Losses in Dublin a claim in respect of personal property belonging to myself which was burnt or looted in the destruction of the General Post Office.

The amount of my claim is £594. 11. -.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

James J. Healy Esq.

Arthur H. Norway Secretary

Claim of
Arthur H. Norway
Secretary of Post Office
Ireland

My claim for compensation in respect of losses suffered in the destruction and looting of the General Post Office, Dublin, is based on the following considerations:-

1. With the exception of my uniform, which it was often convenient to have in town, none of my private property was at my office so long as I had a house.

2. I was told when I came to Ireland not to take a house for more than three years. Even that term was in excess of my original appointment, which was for two years only, so that liability for one year's rent might have fallen on the State, had not my appointment been extended for a second period of two years, i.e. until September 1916.

3. I gave up my house on the conclusion of my lease on 15th December 1915, and as ^{the authority for} my appointment ran out in September 1916 I clearly could not take another, but went to an hotel, storing part of my furniture and possessions.

4. Those things which I valued most I placed in my room at the Post Office for greater safety, thinking that while a furniture store might possibly be burnt, it was inconceivable that the Post Office should be burnt. Moreover there was a capacious fireproof safe built into the wall of my room, which was little used, and afforded what seemed ample security. The keys of this safe were locked in my desk. My desk was forced, the keys found, and the safe rifled. Of the articles not in the safe, some were looted and some burnt.

5. My view that my room in the Post Office was safer than the furniture store was quite just in itself and would have proved correct but for the failure of the Authorities responsible for the public safety. No

accidental

accidental fire could have consumed the Post Office; and the circumstances under which it was destroyed partly by incendiaries and partly by Military operations, during which the Police and the Fire Brigade were impotent, remove the case entirely from the category of ordinary risks.

I annex a list of the property lost. My Fire Insurance Policy lapsed when I gave up my house in December last.

The estimated value of the table silver is stated by Messrs. West upon information as to the age of it supplied by me. Almost the whole of it was earlier than 1800; some much earlier. Upon difficult cases among the books I have been advised by the Assistant Librarian of Trinity College. The valuations of the jewelry are my own. I think they are carefully set low.

The Dublin Metropolitan Police have no hope of recovering any of my property.

The debris in the Post Office has been examined with great care, & some of the molten metal analysed. But nothing of value has been discovered.

*The total amount of my claim is
£594. 11. -*

*Arthur H. Norway
Secretary of the Post Office
Ireland.*

21 June 1916

SCHEDULE OF LOSS.

	£
A. Table silver. List annexed	167
(The valuation is based upon the age of the articles as supplied by me to Messrs. West)	
B. Jewelry. List annexed	195
C. Books. List annexed	58 - 16
D. Articles of Military equipment. List annexed	23 - 15
E. Canteen of Plate	12
F. Miscellaneous articles. List annexed	93
G. Uniform	55
(Comprising Uniform coat and trousers, cocked hat, rapier, white kerseymere breeches for evening wear, white silk stockings, sword, belts &c.)	

Total of claim £ 594. 11. -

Should be £604-11-0

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Telephone 528.

Est^d 1720.

Telegrams "DIAMONDS, DUBLIN"

WEST & SON, DIAMOND MERCHANTS.

Manufacturing Jewellers, Silversmiths & Watchmakers.

GRAFTON HOUSE,
102 & 103, GRAFTON ST.,

DUBLIN 7th June, 19 16.

Valuation of Plate, &c., the property of ^{Mr} Mrs. Norway.

	£.	s.	d.
1 Silver Basket, Pierced, date 1748	30.	0.	0.
1 Sugar Nippers, Antique	3.	0.	0.
1 Salver, Indian	10.	0.	0.
4 Pepper Pots, Indian	5.	0.	0.
2 Soup Ladles, Antique	4.	0.	0.
4 Sauce Ladles, .	2.	0.	0.
12 Forks, Large, .	7.	10.	0.
16 Spoons, . . .	10.	0.	0.
12 Dessert .	6.	0.	0.
1 Pair Fish Servers, Silver	3.	0.	0.
1 Silver Tea Pot, Antique, 1796	15.	0.	0.
1 Modern	8.	0.	0.
2 Cream Jugs, Antique	10.	0.	0.
1 Jug, Modern	2.	0.	0.
2 Sugar Basins	7.	10.	0.
72 Tea Spoons	18.	0.	0.
3 Napkin Rings	2.	0.	0.
1 Wine Strainer, Antique	4.	0.	0.
1 Pair Candelabra, Old Sheffield Plate	20.	0.	0.
	<u>£ 167.</u>	0.	0.

The above figures are only approximate and arrived at from information supplied us - the articles themselves being destroyed.

JEWELRY.

	£
Diamond Pendant	100
(Known to have cost about £100 three generations ago).	
Gold Watch (Lady's), initials in blue enamel	10
do. do, older	5
Large man's Gold Watch by Penlington, Liverpool; fine time-keeper and in good condition. Cost £30.	15
Old Gold Watch, removeable case	5
Three Gold Chains	10
Gold and Pearl Bangle	6
Double Gold and twisted bangle	4
Pearl and Diamond Ring	10
Gold and Turquoise Bracelet	5
Various Rings, Locketts, Miniatures, Scarf Pins, &c. certainly not worth less than	25
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Approximate value	£195
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BOOKS.

Values in the more difficult or uncertain cases
discussed with the Assistant Librarian, Trinity College,
and in all cases set carefully within a probable price.

	£.	s.	d.
Finlay's History of Greece (7 Vols. half morocco)	2.	0.	0.
Creighton's History of the Papacy (6 Vols. cloth)	1.	10.	0.
William Morris			
(a) The Water of the Wondrous Isles	8.	6.	
(b) The Well at The World's End (2 Vols.)	1.	8.	0.
(c) The Roots of the Mountains	8.	6.	
(d) The Earthly Paradise (calf; prize copy)	1.	0.	0.
(e) The Odyssey of Homer	6.	0.	
Dickens. 1st Editions, with original illustrations.			
Old Curiosity Shop	1.	0.	0.
do. a second copy	1.	0.	0.
David Copperfield	10.	0.	
Bleek House	10.	0.	
Dante Divina Commedia (Lombardi, 3 Vols.)	1.	0.	0.
do. Vernon's Commentary on 'Paradise'	15.	0.	
Eikon Basilike (original 1648)	2.	0.	0.
Montaigne's Essays. 3 Vols. duo decimo 1620 (about)	10.	0.	
Mackiavelli Works. Florence. 1538 (about)	10.	0.	
Corio. History of Milan. (cost price)	15.	0.	
Bembo. Letters. 5 Vols. Old red morocco 1540. 5th Vol. Very rare	1.	10.	0.
Varchi. Storia Fiorentina. Fol.	10.	0.	
Bembo. Storia di Venezia. 1550	5.	0.	
Prince. 'Worthies of Devon' 1701. Fol.	2.	0.	0.
Hallam 'Middle Ages'. Prize copy; calf	1.	0.	0.

Carried forward £20 .16. 0.

	£.	s.	d.
Brought Forward	20.	16.	0.
Gibbon. 'Decline and Fall'. Prize copy; calf	1.	0.	0.
Arnold's Thucydides. Prize copy; calf	1.	0.	0.
Horace. Satires & Epistles. White morocco	1.	0.	0.
Homer. Odyssey in Greek. White morocco	1.	0.	0.
Muratori. 'Scriptores Rerum Itatliarium' (New Edition. 10 parts. 5/- each)	2.	10.	10.
Fyffe's History of Modern Europe (Library Edition. 3 Vols).	1.	10.	0.
About 300 volumes of miscellaneous	30.	0.	0.

literature, the more valued portions of a much larger number, selected for retention when I left my house, historical, classical, mediaeval literature, some probably irreplaceable, but very difficult to value - say £30.

Approximate total ...	£58.	16.	0.-
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ARTICLES OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT.

The property of my son who fell in France last year.

	£.	s.	d.
Sword, good quality, blade of watered steel	5.	0.	0.
Prismatic field glasses (cost price)	6.	10.	0.
Prismatic Compass (cost price)	2.	10.	0.
Orilux Electric Lamp (Steward.Strand)	1.	5.	0.
Colt Automatic pistol	4.	10.	0.
Kit Bag	4.	0.	0.

Values known	£23.	15.	0.
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But all receipts and vouchers were burnt.

MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES.

	£.	s.	d.
1. Mezzotint after Reynolds 'Mrs. Abingdon as Comic Muse' Good copy of 2nd State. Valued by Christie at about £50, some years ago.	50.	0.	0.
2. Mezzotint after Reynolds 'Lady Broughton'. 3rd State. Christie estimated this as worth from £10 to £15.	15.	0.	0.
3. Diningroom clock. Oak case. Fine time-keeper.	10.	0.	0.
4. Small carriage clock	3.	0.	0.
5. Plated revolving breakfast dish	5.	0.	0.
6. Rosewood antique jewel case, cut glass bottles, plated tops	10.	0.	0.
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Approximate total	£93.	0.	0.

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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.

I ~~We~~ Arthur Hamilton Norway now residing

at Sackville Street Club in the City of Dublin County of Dublin

do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that on or about the 28th day of April 1916, damage was done to the undermentioned Property, namely:—* personal property

* State situation of property damaged.

in my room at the General Post Office Dublin

and such damage was occasioned to the best of my belief by** fire and

** Here state cause of damage.

looting.

And I ~~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 me

as† owner; and that no person is interested in

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

the said property except‡ myself

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

and that it is not insured by ~~me~~ or any other person, § ~~except as follows, namely:—~~

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

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

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 tenth day of

July 1916, at 60 Upper Sackville St. in the said City, County, of Dublin

before me, a Justice of the Peace for the said City, County, of Dublin Edward R. O'Connell

A COMMISSIONER TO ADMINISTER OATHS IN THE SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE

Signature of Claimant } Arthur Hamilton Norway and I know the Declarant

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. (continued).

(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.
<i>Brought forward.</i>												
^{red} Old gold watch. Removable case	Unknown			327	5	-	Nil			327	5	-
Three gold chains	"			10	-	-	"			10	-	-
Gold & pearl bangle	"			6	-	-	"			6	-	-
Double gold twisted bangle	"			4	-	-	"			4	-	-
Pearl & diamond ring	"			10	-	-	"			10	-	-
Gold & turquoise bracelet	"			5	-	-	"			5	-	-
Various rings, lockets, miniatures, scarfpins &c. certainly not worth less than £25 (Details given to Messrs Walter Hume).	"			25			"			25		
<u>Books</u>												
Finlay's History of Greece 7 vols. half morocco		2	-	-	2					2	-	-
Creighton's History of the Papacy 6 vols. cloth		1	10	-	1	10	-			1	10	-
<u>William Morris</u>												
a. The Water of the Wondrous Isles			8	6		8	6				8	6
b. The Well at the World's End (2 vols)		1	8	-	1	8	-			1	8	-
c. The Roots of the Mountains			8	6		8	6				8	6
(d) The Earthly Paradise (copy. price copy)		1	-	-	1	-	-			1	-	-
(e) The Odyssey of Homer			6	-		6	-				6	-
<u>Dickens, 14th edn. with illustrations</u>												
'Old Curiosity Shop'	Unknown		1	-	-					1	-	-
do. A second copy	Unknown		1	-	-					1	-	-
'David Copperfield'	Unknown			10							10	
'Bleak House'	Unknown			10							10	
Values taken from "Book prices Current"												
<i>Carried forward.</i>												
				402	1					402	1	

PARTICULARS OF THE CLAIM. (continued).

(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.
<i>Brought forward.</i>				402	1	-				402	1	-
Dante 'Divina Commedia' (Lombardi. 3 vols)	1	-	-	1	-	-	Nil			1	-	-
do. Readings on 'Paradiso' Vernon.	15	-	-	15	-	-	"			15	-	-
Eikon Basilike (original) 1648. <small>(Value from Book prices current)</small>	Unknown			2	-	-	"			2	-	-
Montaigne's Essays. 3 vols. 12mo. 1620 (abrid)	10	-	-	10	-	-	"			10	-	-
Machiavelli. Works. Florence. 1535 abrid	10	-	-	10	-	-	"			10	-	-
Corio. Hist of Milan	15	-	-	15	-	-	"			15	-	-
Bembo. Letters. 5 vols. old red morocco 1540. 5 th vol. very rare	1	10	-	1	10	-	"			1	10	-
Varelli. Storia Fiorentina. fol	10	-	-	10	-	-	"			10	-	-
Bembo. Storia di Venezia. 1550	5	-	-	5	-	-	"			5	-	-
Price. 'Worthies of Devon'. 1701. fol. <small>(Value from Book prices current)</small>	Unknown			2	-	-	"			2	-	-
Hallam. 'Middle Ages'. prize copy. calf. 3 vols	1	-	-	1	-	-	"			1	-	-
Gibbon. 'Decline & Fall'. calf. 3 vols.	Unknown			1	-	-	"			1	-	-
Arnold's Thucydides. calf	2	-	-	1	-	-	"			1	-	-
Horace. Satires & Epistles. white morocco	1	-	-	1	-	-	"			1	-	-
Homer. Odyssey in Greek. white morocco	1	-	-	1	-	-	"			1	-	-
Muratori 'Scriptores Rerum Italicarum' new ed. 10 parts 5/- each	2	10	-	2	10	-	"			2	10	-
Gyffe. History of Modern Europe Library ed. 3 vols.	1	10	-	1	10	-	"			1	10	-
About 300 vols of miscellaneous literature, the more valued portion of a much larger number, selected for retention when I left my house, historical, classical medieval, some irreplaceable, but difficult to value. say	Unknown			30	-	-	"			30	-	-
<i>Carried forward</i>				450	16	-				450	16	-

A. J. D.

Private Commr

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C. H. N.

Property Losses (Ireland) Committee, 1916.

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

*W. H. White
Comm.*

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



We William Hamilton Norway now residing

at _____ in the City of Dublin
County of _____

do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that on or about the 28th day of April
1916, damage was done to the undermentioned Property, namely:—*

* State situation of property damaged.

and such damage was occasioned to the best of ^{my}our belief by** fire and looting

** Here state cause of damage.

And ^IWe 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 ^{me}us as† _____; and that no person is interested in the said property except‡ _____

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

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

and that it is not insured by ^{me}us or any other person, § except as follows, namely:—

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

Company, Policy No.	Amount £
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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 _____ day of

_____ 1916, at _____

_____ in the said City, County,

before me, a Justice of the Peace for the said City County.

Signature }
of Claimant }

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.

C. H. N.

*W. H. White
Comm.*

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.
<i>Brought forward</i>				450	16	-				450	16	-
<u>Articles of Military Equipment</u>												
The property of my son who fell in France last year.												
Sword. good quality. blade of watered steel	5	-	-	5	-	-	nil			5	-	-
Prismatic Field glasses.	6	10		6	10	-	"			6	10	-
Prismatic Compass (Steward. Strand)	2	10		2	10	-	"			2	10	-
Orlux Electric lamp (Steward. Strand)	1	5		1	5	-	"			1	5	-
Colt Automatic pistol	4	10		4	10	-	"			4	10	-
Kit bag	4	-		4	-	-	"			4	-	-
Canteen of plated articles & Cutlery Mappin & Webb. London All cutlery recently renewed	12			12	-	-	"			12	-	-
<u>Miscellaneous Articles</u>												
<i>by Smith</i>												
1. Mezzotint after Reynolds. "Mrs Abington as Comic Opera". Good copy of 2 nd . State. Valued by Christy at about £30				50			Unknown			50		
2. Mezzotint by Smith after Reynolds "Lady Broughton" 3 rd . State. Valued by Christy at £10 to £15				15			Unknown			15		
3. Diningroom clock. Oak case. Fine timekeeper				10			Unknown			10		
<i>Carried forward,</i>				561	11	-				561	11	-
<i>A. H. D. All Date</i>												

PARTICULARS OF THE CLAIM. *(continued).*

(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.
<i>Brought forward.</i>				561	11	-				561	11	-
Small carriage clock				Unknown	3	-	Nil	-	-	3	-	-
Plated revolving breakfast dish				Unknown	5	-	"	-	-	5	-	-
Rosewood antique jewel case cut glass bottles, plated tops on copper				Unknown	10	-	-	-	-	10	-	-
#												
<i>Uniform</i>												
Uniform coat + trousers, coiled hat, rapier, white kerseywore breeches for evening wear, white silk stockings, sword belts, buckles etc.	55	-	-	55	-	-	-	-	-	55	-	-
<i>Total of claim</i>				634	11	-				634	11	-

Arthur Hamilton Norway

Geo R. Bate
Commsr