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Wm Dawson & Sons

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5 OCT. 1916

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10th April, 1917.

No. 1852 - Wm. Dawson & Sons, Ltd.

Dear Sirs,

In reply to your letter of the 5th instant, with statement enclosed, on the subject of the award made in this case, I beg to say that nearly the whole of the difference between the amount claimed and that awarded is made up of items representing consequential losses, which the Property Losses Committee, in view of the terms of reference, had no option but to disallow. These are Book Debts, Loss of Profits, Rent and Expenses connected with opening of new premises. The Committee have dealt similarly with all such items included in claims submitted to them and they could not, therefore, agree to re-open this case for the purpose of discussing the admissibility of otherwise of same. Following the practice of Insurance Companies in the case of fire losses, the Committee also disallowed the items in respect of cash lost and expenses of preparing claim. The Post Office it is understood will not press for payment in respect of the Government Telephone fittings.

The remaining items in claim were very carefully in-

investigated and the assessment made (on which the Award was based) represents in the opinion of the Committee the full valuation of the loss as at the date of the destruction of the premises.

Yours faithfully,

Messrs. Bull & Bull,
3 Stone Buildings,
Lincoln's Inn,
London, W.C.

BULL & BULL,
SOLICITORS.
COMMISSIONERS.

Partners
Sir William Bull.
Gilbert L. West.
I. B. Castello.
Roland J.H. Bull.

And at 267 & 269, KING STREET,
HAMMERSMITH, W.

Telephone & Telegrams
HOLBORN 6548 (2 LINES)
HAMMERSMITH 21.

1852
3. Stone Buildings,
Lincolns Inn, W.C. 2
London. 5th April 19 17

Dear Sir,

With reference to the claim made by our clients, Messrs. Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd. to the Property Losses (Ireland) Committee in respect of losses sustained by them during the late rebellion we must emphatically and respectfully protest against the manner in which the Committee have dealt with our clients' claim, and we beg to ask for a rehearing.

The amount of our clients' claim as originally submitted to the Committee was £13,984. 12. 1. It appears that as a preliminary step the Committee deducted from this amount a sum of £2,640 for rebuilding of the premises and demolition of the ruins, thus reducing our clients' claim to £11,344. 12. 1. We do not complain of the deduction, as our clients were Lessees, and the claim for rebuilding &c. was settled with their Lessors.

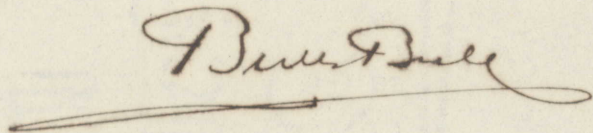
With regard to the claim as thus reduced to £11,344. 12. 1 we must emphatically complain of the suggestion of the Committee that it can be fairly or equitably met by the proposed payment to our clients of £3,466. 19. 11. We have examined the claim very carefully with the vouchers submitted by our clients, and we cannot see that the claim as a whole has been exaggerated.

We beg to send herewith for the further consideration of your Committee a summarised statement in support of our clients' claim, and we shall be obliged if you will have our letter and this statement submitted to the Committee at an early date. In the statement we have deducted as you will observe, certain items formerly charged, on the view we have advised our clients to take of the terms of reference.

We are further instructed to respectfully request that the Committee will be good enough to give if necessary a hearing for this claim at which our clients may be represented by Counsel and given an opportunity of submitting evidence and calling witnesses in support of their claim.

We are, *Sir* —

Yours obediently,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Ernest Boyle', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

The Secretary,
Property Losses (Ireland) Committee,
51, St. Stephens Green East,
Dublin.

BULL & BULL,
SOLICITORS.

Partners COMMISSIONERS.

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London.*

5th April 1917

*With
Mess^{rs} Bull & Bull's
Compliments.*

Omitted from our letter of today.

With apologies.

S T A T E M E N T i n S U P P O R T

of

CLAIM o f M E S S R S . D A W S O N & S O N S L I M I T E D

in respect of

LOSSES SUSTAINED BY THEM DURING THE LATE
REBELLION

I. G O O D S D E S T R O Y E D

Amount claimed £4,118. 10. 8.

This amount is made up from the Balance Sheets of
of our clients Dublin business sent herewith for 31st.
31st. December 1915, 23rd. April 1916 and 30th
June 1916. These show with accuracy the stock as
at the various dates. All the balance sheets are
duly audited and the originals are in possession of
the Committee. The Accountant who audited the books
books and balance sheets and one of the firm's
principals will attend to substantiate these
figures. These prove the actual stock on hand at
the date of the Rebellion of £3, 351. 0. 8.

Under this heading the other items included cost of
replacing stock at 5% increase £167. 10. 0. This
estimate of a 5% increase our clients find on re-
consideration, is considerably less than the differ-
ence between the cost of the goods destroyed and the
cost of replacing them. Scarcity of paper and the
general advance in the price of goods consequent
upon the state of war have caused the prices to
advance by more than 15% for book stock and 200%
for stationery. We presume that these facts are well
within the knowledge of the Committee.

The item of £167. 10. 0 as the cost of
of carriage is one we trust will be acknowledged.

In our clients' claim as originally sent to
the Committee there was comprised an item of £250,
as calculated additional profit on a special
purchase of goods early in 1916. We have advised
our clients to abandon the claim under this head,
as the loss of such profit may be properly regard-
ed as consequential.

We trust there will be no dispute in reference
to the remaining items, viz.,

For returns	149.	10.	0.
Customers' Volumes	5.	10.	0.
Cases	18.	0.	0.
Cash	10.	0.	0.
Leaving out of the account the item of £250 the			
total claim under this head amounts to	£3,868.	10.	8.

II. FITTINGS AND FIXTURES.

The amount claimed under this head is
£318. 3. 0. and there are six items comprised in
above all of which can be vouched. If the
Committee entertain any doubt in regard to any of
those items our clients are quite prepared to
produce all vouchers and information in their poss-
ession and the Managing Director of our clients
firm is willing to appear before the Committee
and give evidence in detail on the items above ref-
erred to £ 318. 3. 0.

III. BOOK DEBTS

Our clients claim under this head is for a sum of £5,264. 16. 0.
On this head it is quite clear that such debts as
arise between wholesale stationers and newsagents
and local vendors of newspapers in Ireland cannot

be recovered if the claims are unvouched and incapable of proof by production of the usual evidence admitted in Courts. Our clients are deprived of ~~the books during the rebellion. We respectfully invite the consideration of the Committee to the general result of the destruction of~~ all this evidence by the destruction of books and the consequent irrecoverability of books debts in Ireland since the Rebellion. To our clients the result is direct and in no sense consequential. Our clients have evidence to show the amount of debts owing to them from balance sheets and general accounts and comparison of returns etc., but no evidence of the individual amounts owing by their very numerous customers all over Ireland whose debts amount to very small individual sums although in the aggregate those sums amount to the total claimed. As ~~to~~ the records of all such debts were destroyed ~~claim and prove~~ and it is impossible for them to/recover those debts. Accordingly we ask for recognition of our clients' claim under this head, agreeing ~~as~~ we frankly do, to the Committee's right to full inspection of all vouchers and statements in our clients' possession.

N.B. As an example of what our clients mean - we may mention that during the last twelve months a collector has been going round the whole of Ireland in a motor car and out of the £5,264.16. 5. owing he has only succeeded in getting admittances of debt(not payments) to the extent of £474. 4. 6 $\frac{3}{4}$. B& B.

IV. GROSS PROFITS

Our clients have claimed under this head the sum of £462. 0. 0. We have advised our clients to abandon this claim, and they agree to forego this loss although we are convinced from the evidence available to the Committee as it is to ourselves that the sum mentioned is less rather than in excess of the loss our clients have

sustained. But recognising the limitation in the reference from His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant to the Committee we do not press the claim under this head.

V. HOUSE IN MIDDLE ABBEY STREET.

Owing to the demolition of our clients premises they were obliged to rent other premises to carry on their business and for a period of seventeen months they had to pay double rent, namely £140 per annum to their former Lessor and £180 per annum in respect of their present premises.

The direct loss under this head is therefore £255. 0. 0.

VI. EXPENSES INCURRED IN RE-
BUSINESS

Expenses incurred in re-opening new premises our clients state at £ 341. 2. 0.
Details of this sum have been supplied.

VII. LEGAL EXPENSES.

Legal Expenses. £30. 0. 0.

PROPERTY LOSSES (IRELAND)
) COMMITTEE.

re WILLIAM DAWSON & SONS LTD.

Draft.

SUMMARISED STATEMENT

in support of claim

BULL & BULL
3 Stone Buildings,
Lincolns Inn. W.C.

Encl. Report to Govt 3/10/16 ~~1333~~ 1852

A.D. KENNEL & FIGGIS,
SOLICITORS.

Commissioners for Oaths.

Notary Public.

TELEPHONE 1231.

4/1/17. 63, Dawson Street.

as before
Done 226. 4/1/17.
Dublin 3rd Jan'y 1917.

Dear Sir,

re 97, Middle Abbey Street.

Our clients, Messrs Wm Dawson & Sons, are anxious to have the balance of their claim in respect of the above premises, settled as soon as possible, and they have requested us to write you on the matter.

We should feel obliged if you could kindly have the case taken up at an early date.

Faithfully Yours

A.D. Kennel & Figgis

The Secretary
Property Losses Committee
Stephens Green, East.

~~1333~~
5, Molesworth Place,
Molesworth Street, 1852
DUBLIN.

14th October, 1916.

Secretary,
Property Losses, (Ireland) Committee,
51, St. Stephens Green, East,
DUBLIN.

*Committee's report
sent to Govt 5/10/16.*

*226.
16/10/16.*

*20 reply
and
16/10*

*Done. 226.
14/10/16.*

Dear Sir,

In respect to our claim for Compensation put in by us on the 11th August, we would ask you to be good enough to kindly sanction an immediate instalment of 50% of our claim, as the losses that we have incurred have been very severe, and many months have now passed since the Revolt took place. We would be grateful to the Committee for the favour of early action in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

WM. DAWSON & SONS LTD.

Ch. Sherrington

Director.

Assessors Report.

Claim No. 1852 Name of Claimant Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd., Wholesale Newsagents,

Situation of Property 97, Middle Abbey Street, 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
Stock & Utensils.	£4103- 0-8	£ 750	X	£3196-6-11	£ 750	£2446-6-11
Customers Goods.	5-10-0	Nil		5-10-0 ✓	Nil	5-10-0
Cash.	10- 0-0	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Fixtures & Fittings	306-13-0	£ 210		263-13-0	£ 210	53-13-0
Book Debts.	5264-16-5	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Loss of Profits.	462- 0-0	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Building.	2640- 0-0	£1000		See Memo at foot.		
Rent.	810- 0-0	Nil	X	140- 0-0 ✓	Nil	Nil
Fixtures, Fittings } at new premises.	134- 0-7	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Solicitors charges } for Lease of new premises.	13-19-6	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Requisites for new } Offices, Ledgers &c.	55-13-1	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Circulars, Advertise- } ments &c. of new premises.	14- 6-1	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Rails, Cabs &c.	41-18-9	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Extra labour & ex- } penses in connection with reopening new premises.	81- 4-0	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Legal expenses in } connection with claim.	30- 0-0	Nil		Nil	Nil	Nil
Corporation Electric } Meters.	7- 0-0	Nil		£ 7-0- 0	Nil	£ 7-0 - 0
Government Telephone.	4-10-0	Nil		4-10-0 ✓	Nil	4-10- 0
TOTALS, £	13984-12-1	£1960		£3616-19-11	£ 960	£2516-19-11

Interests in the buildings.

Bewley Sons & Co. of 18/20 Henry Street, who are the Landlords have made a claim upon the Committee for this property.

Award of Committee: Contents

do.

Buildings

Wm Montgomery & Son
Assessors
22nd September 1916.

£ 960

3466-19-11

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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 C.A. Sherring Director of William Dawson & Sons Ltd. now residing
~~We~~ late of 97 Middle Abbey Street Dublin, now doing business
at 5 & 6 Molesworth Place Dublin in the City of Dublin
do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that on ^{some date between} ~~or about~~ the 24th day of April and May 2nd 1916
1916, damage was done to the undermentioned Property, namely:—* premises at
97 Middle Abbey Street and the property therein contained

* State
situation of
property
damaged.

and such damage was occasioned to the best of my belief by** fire and military
operations during the recent rebellion which involved the total
destruction of the said property including all books ledgers and papers

** Here state
cause of
damage.

And I 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 where possible
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 as within appears; and that no person is interested in
the said property except‡ as within appears

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

‡ Insert
"myself," or
"ourselves,"
and the names
of Mortgagees,
Mortgagors,
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.

* Commercial Union Assurance Company, Policy No. 7242304 Amount £ 1500
Hearts of Oak " " £ 1056 87 " £ 960

2113
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.

* Policy with our Lessors
Messrs Bewley & Co. Ltd.
29 Upper Sackville Street
Dublin for their claim

Made and subscribed the 11th day of

August 1916, at no
Lepton St in the said City,
County,

before me, a Justice of the Peace for the said

City
County.

C.A. Sherring
Signature
of Claimant
of Claimants

Louis H. Dwyer
1 P. City & South

NOTE—This Claim is to be furnished in duplicate, and 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.)

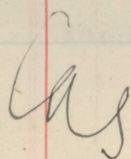
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Ans

	Description of property destroyed or damaged.	Cost price.	Value of property at time of de- struction or damage	Amount claimed.
<u>RETURNS</u>	- The average of returns from customers of newspapers is £62 weekly. During the two weeks before the Rebellion £124 was received and not credited to customers, this was destroyed in the fire and we have had to give credit to Customers now but have not ourselves got credit from Publishers	124 0 0	124 0 0	124 0 0
	Ditto. Book return - £25. 0. 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0
<u>CUSTOMERS</u>	<u>VOLUMES</u> had been handed over to us for binding and were destroyed, these we have had to make good to them.	5 10 0	5 10 0	5 10 0
<u>CASES</u>	Traveller's sample case and stock 12. 0. 0			
	3 leather sample cases for travellers. 5. 5. 0			
	1 leather attache case. 15. 0			
	£18. 0. 0	18 0 0	18 0 0	18 0 0
<u>CASH</u>	Destroyed in safe and in cash box at least £10. 0. 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0
				£4118 10 8

Description of property destroyed or damaged.		Cost price	Value of property at time of destruction or damage.	Amount claimed.
I I. <u>FIXTURES and FITTINGS</u>				
<u>April 23rd.1916 Balance</u>				
<u>Sheet shows</u>		£208.16. 0		
This amount has been				
written down for bal-				
ance sheet purposes at				
least		50. 0. 0	258 16 0	258 16 0
<u>ELECTRIC LIGHT</u> installation had				
been put in just before				
the rebellion.		10. 0. 0	10 0 0	10 0 0
<u>RENOVATION</u> of premises had just				
been effected before				
rebellion as Landlord				
had installed a new				
front to the building				
and this installation				
rendered renovation				
necessary.		18. 0. 0	18 0 0	18 0 0
<u>TABLE</u> - not included in				
balance sheets.		2. 0. 0	2 0 0	2 0 0
<u>PHONE MACHINE</u> not in balance				
sheets.		17.17. 0	17 17 0	17 17 0
<u>APPARATUS DESTROYED</u> -				
Telephone		4.10. 0		
Electric Meter		1.10. 0		
Other services		5.10. 0		
		£11.10. 0	11 10 0	11 10 0
				£318 3 0



Description of property destroyed
or damaged.

Cost
price

Value of
property
at time of
destruction
or damage

Amount
claimed.

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.B O O K D E B T S

April 23rd.1916 Balance Sheet

shows :- admitted 23002.15. 7

unadmitted 25264.16. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$

5264 16 5

We have written to all known Customers frequently since the rebellion and our special Traveller by Motor has visited hundreds of Customers but only the above amount has been admitted, although we have been making our best endeavours for the past 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ months, our Ledgers were in a safe but were burnt to cinders and so we have lost all evidence by which we can prove our claims in Court and have also lost the addresses of very many customers. We deal with a very large number of customers and it is impossible to remember what transactions they have

Description of property destroyed or damaged.	Cost price	Value of property at time of de- struction or damage.	Amount claimed.
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had with us or even to remember their addresses in many instances. In our opinion this sum is irrecoverable.

I V. LOSS OF GROSS PROFITS.

April 23rd. 1916 Balance Sheet

shows gross profit of £1884 in 114 days from January 1. to April 23. 1916.

For 2 weeks after the Rebellion we did practically no business and after that we took a further 4 weeks before we recovered our normal sales. Taking 6 weeks as the period of dislocation of business we can obtain the total loss by calculating that there were no gross profits for 28 days i.e. 4 weeks. This is a fair average to take to cover the entire period of dislocation

£462.0. 0

462 0 0

Ans

Description of property destroyed or damaged	Cost Price	Value of property at time of de- struction or damage	Amount claimed.
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V.

House in Middle Abbey Street

held on 50 years tenancy from Messrs
Bewley of which 5 years have elapsed

REBUILDING

Under the covenant in our Lease we
were bound to insure against fire
in the joint names of ourselves &
our Lessors Bewley & Co.Ltd. 29
Upper Sackville Street Dublin in
the sum of £1300 and expend that
sum and no more when received from
the Insurance Co. in rebuilding the
premises. We did so insure the pre-
mises with the Commercial Union
Insurance Co. The Insurance Co.
have repudiated any liability on
foot of the Policy as it contained
a clause exempting them from liab-
ility for fire caused by riot or
civil commotion. We may consequent-
ly be legally liable to expend more
than the £1300 in rebuilding the
premises under our covenant to re-
pair the premises and deliver them
up in repair and therefore claim
for rebuilding, £2600. 0. 0.

2600 0 0

NOTE : - Bewley and Co.Ltd.have
got from us the Policy of Insurance
for £1300 above mentioned.We under-
stand that they have also put in a
claim for rebuilding the premises.
If that is so we would respectfully

Description of property destroyed or damaged,	Cost price.	Value of property at time of de- struction or damage.	Amount claimed.
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request that the committee would earmark the sums which they award to ourselves and Messrs Bewley and Co.Ltd. for rebuilding the premises

RENT

Payment of rent at £140 a year while the rebuilding is taking place say 2 years. £280. 0. 0.			280 0 0
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Difference in rent payable for 97 Middle Abbey Street & our present temporary premises during 2 years while the rebuilding is taking place at £40 a year. £80. 0. 0.			80 0 0
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We have been compelled to take over temporary premises on a 4½ years Lease as no other alternative was possible although strenuous efforts were made. Supposing it takes two years to rebuild the old premises we are still liable for the rent of the temporary premises at £180 a year for the period of two and a half years.			450 0 0
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After the destruction of houses in the revolt all rents rose but when the destroyed houses have been rebuilt all rents will fall and we may have difficulty in subletting the temporary premises.

DEMOLITION of ruins of old premises. The cost is unknown. Provisional estimate is £40. 0. 0.			40 0 0
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Ans

£3450 0 0

	Description of property destroyed or damaged.	Cost price.	Value of property at time of de- struction or damage.	Amount claimed.
<u>V I.</u>	<u>EXPENSES INCURRED IN RE - OPENING</u> <u>BUSINESS.</u>			
	<u>FITTINGS & FIXTURES at new premises</u>	<u>£392.16. 7</u>		
	Deduct amount allowed under Head II. for old fittings and fixtures.	<u>£258.16. 0</u>		
		£134. 0. 7		134 0 7
	<u>SOLICITORS CHARGES (Stephen Gordon</u> <u>& Sons) for Lease of new</u> <u>premises.</u>			13 19 6
	<u>REQUISITES for office, new ledgers,</u> <u>Order books etc.</u>			55 13 1
	<u>PRINTING Circulars, postage on</u> <u>letters and circulars,</u> <u>telegrams to Publishers</u> <u>and Agents, advertise-</u> <u>ments re new premises</u>			14 6 1
	<u>RAILFARES. Cabs, cartage and Motor</u> <u>expenses incurred in conn-</u> <u>ection with transfer of</u> <u>business to new premises</u> <u>informing customers of</u> <u>change of address, obtain-</u> <u>ing business, which had</u> <u>come to a standstill and</u> <u>getting customers to ad-</u> <u>mit outstanding balances</u> <u>of book debts</u>			41 18 9

Description of property destroyed or damaged	Cost price.	Value of property at time of de- struction or damage.	Amount claimed.
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EXTRA LABOUR and expenses in conn-
ection with re-opening
from period of rebellion
to date.

81	4	0
£ 341	2	0

VII.

LEGAL EXPENSES.

In connection with this
claim £30. 0. 0

30	0	0
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Grand Total	£13.984 12 1
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Ch. Herring

5, Molesworth Place,
Molesworth Street,
DUBLIN.

25th August, 1916.

To the Secretary,
Property Losses (Ireland) Committee,
51, St. Stephen's Green, East,
DUBLIN.

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Dear Sir,

We would ask you to be so good as to refer to our letter of August 11th, with which we put in our claim for damages caused during the disturbances. In that letter, we asked the Committee to very kindly sanction to us an immediate instalment of 50% of our claim, having regard to the fact that the loss that we have incurred has been extremely severe. We would be much obliged to you if you would kindly draw the attention of the Committee to the great urgency of this matter. We sustained loss in the end of April, and four months have now elapsed since that date. We should be grateful if the Committee could see their way to passing an order for payment of the immediate instalment at an early date.

Believe us,

Yours faithfully,

WM. DAWSON & SONS LTD.

C. Sherrin

Destruction of premises
stock etc, 97 Mt. Abbey St.
amt £13,984.12.1
claim recd. 14/8/16
22.6
28/8/16

I Ack. Done. 28.8.16.
II Refer to Messrs. Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd. Director.
Done. 28.8.16
28/8/16

WM. DAWSON & SONS, LTD.

WHOLESALE BOOKSELLERS, NEWSAGENTS & STATIONERS,

5 & 6, MOLESWORTH PLACE,

MOLESWORTH STREET,

DUBLIN.

Aug. 11. 1916

Dear Sirs,

In submitting this application for compensation, we would most earnestly ask the Committee to be so gracious as to grant to us an immediate instalment of 50% of our claim as the loss that we have incurred has been extremely severe. We have been unable to put in our Claim at an earlier date as all our ledgers, books of account, and papers were destroyed. To obtain an accurate estimate of our loss it has been necessary to employ the services of a very efficient Chartered Accountant. His careful scrutiny of the case has occupied time and his report has in consequence only just been received. It is difficult to over-estimate the extreme gravity of our position, resulting from the complete destruction of all our Stock and fittings and of every ledger, book of account and paper that could prove our claims as to outstanding debts against customers in Court, and we look, therefore, to the Committee to help us in this time of financial strain, which is so difficult to bear over and above all other War troubles and anxieties.

Yours faithfully,

C. A. Sherring
Director

Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd.

Encl. 2

A. KENNEDY & FIGGIS,
SOLICITORS.

Commissioners for Oaths.

Notary Public.

TELEPHONE 1231.

*Ack'd
8/16
Wm*

1852

63, Dawson Street.

Dublin 10th Augt. 19 16

Dear Sir,

Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd.

Herewith we enclose you form of Claim (in duplicate) for compensation for loss in connection with the recent Irish Rebellion on behalf of our clients Messrs. Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd.

Faithfully yours,

A. Kennedy & Figgis

P.S. The receipt for the last premium on enclosed Fire Policy was destroyed and we have written for duplicate receipt which will follow.

The Secretary,

Property Losses Committee,
51 St. Stephen's Green.

TELEPHONE:—

3601.—(Branch 21).

Electricity Supply Committee,

Dublin Corporation,

Offices and Showrooms—

Cork Hill,



Fred. J. Allan,

Secretary and
Commercial Manager.

Coimre Solátaí na
h-Aibléire,

bárdas baile
a'cá cliaic,

Cnoc Corcaige,

a'c' cliaic.

Dublin, *10th July* 19*16*

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that under the agree-
-ment between the Corporation and their electricity
consumers, the consumer is responsible for the replacing
of the meters, services, or other apparatus damaged on
his premises. When sending in your claim to the
Government, therefore, for damage done to your premises
during the recent insurrection, it will be necessary for
you to include, as set out below, the amount which the
Corporation are entitled to recover from you under their
agreement with you.

Yours faithfully,

FRED J. ALLAN.

Secretary.

Details.

Meters destroyed.—
Services and other apparatus
destroyed.—

£ 1:10:0

£ 5:10:0

£ 4:0:0

Messrs. W. Dawson,

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CHIEF SECRETARY'S
9305 - - 1 JUN 1916
OFFICE

63 Dawson Street,
Dublin, 31st May 1916.

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To
The Right Hon. the Chief Secretary
for Ireland,
Dublin Castle.

Sir,

Please take notice that some time between the 24th April and 2nd May 1916, on the premises 97 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin, the stock-in-trade, Fixtures, Fittings, Books of account, &c. &c. and the said premises, were wantonly and maliciously destroyed by fire; that the said premises, Stock-in-trade, Fixtures, Fittings, Books of account, &c. &c. were the property of our clients Messrs. Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd, who have thereby sustained loss to the amount of £12,000, and that as a matter of precaution an Information to this effect has already been sworn by our clients and an application for compensation lodged with the Clerk of the Peace, Court House, Green Street, Dublin, for hearing before the Right Hon. the Recorder of Dublin, on the 9th day of June next.

The injuries caused were undoubtedly the outcome of the recent rebellion in Dublin and in consequence the Insurance Companies do not admit any liability.

We should be glad to know definitely whether the Applicants will be compensated by the Government on satisfactory proof -

- (a) that the damage was caused by the Rebellion,
- (b) the amount of the damage,

as if so they will of course withdraw their claim for malicious injury?

Your obedient Servants,

*W. Kennedy & Figgitt
Solicitors*


5. 10. 16

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Wm. DAWSON & SONS, Ltd.

ESTABLISHED 1866.

CANNON HOUSE,

BREAM'S BUILDINGS,

LONDON.

21st May, 1916

1916

CHIEF SECRETARY'S
7423 - - 4 MAY. 1916
OFFICE

To the Right Honourable,
Chief Secretary for Ireland,
36, Old Queen Street
London, S.W.

Sir,

We have incurred serious loss in the destruction of our Branch in Dublin at the hands of the rebels. We find that our stocks have been destroyed by fire, and the buildings gutted; they also bear marks of shell fire. We would be obliged if you would kindly inform us whether claims for compensation are to be presented to you or to the Dublin Corporation. Our building is situated at 97, Middle Abbey Street, Dublin, which is very near the General Post Office, and we understand was for some time in the position of the rebels.

We are,

Your obedient servant,

WM. DAWSON & SONS LTD.

C. A. Sherring

Director.

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Under Secretary
S.M.P.
3/5/16

I. Acknowledged
II. Put into file to contain similar claims
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REGISTERED
- 5 MAY. 1916

St Marys
Sandford Road
2 May 1916

The Right Honorable
The Chief Secretary of Ireland
Dublin Castle

Sir

I regret to have to
inform you that we have heard
this day that the House and
premises 100 Middle Abbey St.,
Dublin were burnt sometime
between the 24th and 30th Apr.

Your obedient Servant
J. Whitty & Co

CHIEF SECRETARY'S
7405 --- 4 MAY 1916
OFFICE

Asst Under Secretary

A simple ack. is all that can
be given in these cases, for the
present at least.

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4.5.16

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- 5 MAY 1916