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Hugh Saunders Blackham

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CASEY, CLAY & COLLINS,
SOLICITORS.

21, ST. ANDREW STREET,

TELEGRAMS
"CASEY, CLAY, DUBLIN"
TELEPHONE N°77.

Enc DUBLIN, 4th July 1916

Property Losses (Ireland) Committee 1916
1st claim of Mr H S. Blackburn

Dear Sir,

We enclose original and copy
claim of Mr Blackburn in respect of manuscripts
of stories &c, destroyed at Maunsell & Co Ltd
Publishers, 96 Middle Abbey Street, during
the Rebellion. You will see that Mr
Blackburn resides at Enniscorthy, but,
of course, he will attend any time he
may be required in support of his claim

Yours faithfully
J. J. J. J.

The Secretary.

Property Losses (Ireland) Committee 1916
51 Stephens Green E

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Assessors Report. 6th Novr 1916

Claim No. 2030 Name of Claimant Hugh Saunders Blackham

Situation of Property See below

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
Manuscripts	50	N I L		30		
TOTALS, £	50	Nil		30		

The Manuscripts were destroyed by fire at Messrs
~~Interests in the buildings~~ Maunsel & Company's Premises, 96 Middle Abbey
 Street, Dublin.

Walter Lamerby

Award of Committee: Contents 30 WJ
 do. Buildings _____

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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.

As Insd. 24/4/16

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I we *Hugh Saunders Blackham* now residing

at *The Moyre Ennisecorthy* in the City of *Wexford*

do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that on or about the *28* day of *April*

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

* State situation of property damaged.

Manuscripts which were with Messrs Mansel & Co Ltd Publishers of Middle Abbey Street Dublin

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

** Here state cause of damage.

or destroyed during the Rebellion then pending a bulletin

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; 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 the said property except‡

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

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

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

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 *1st* day of

July 1916, at *Ennisecorthy* in the said City County,

before me, a Justice of the Peace for the said

City County. *R. L. Bennett*

Signature of Claimant } *Hugh S. Blackham*

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.
<p>Manuscript of eighteen (18) stories varying in length from 1500 to 6,500 words, estimated ^{total, 80,000} to make a book (in usual fiction format) of 275 to 300 pages.</p> <p>Manuscript represented the ^{MR'S.} author's entire fiction production for five years.) the ^{MR'S.} author's entire Calculating by quantity, at minimum rate of 12/6 per 1000 words, the book of 80,000 represented £50 in labour as cost price</p> <p>Publication of the book was expected to bring author at least this sum of £50</p> <p>The Manuscript lost was my sole copy of the stories, but I have in my possession fragmentary notes of six (6) of the shorter tales, representing about 25% of the whole bulk. That is, to say, at the expense of considerable labour about 20,000 words of the 80,000 lost, can be re-constructed. This fragment, however, is no use for publication purposes, and the publication value of the</p>	50	=	=									
Carried forward,	50	=	=	50	=	=						

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.
<p><i>Brought forward.</i></p> <p>stories as well as their cost is dead loss. None of the Manuscript has been recovered. Hence salvage is nil</p> <p>The minimum loss to author, whether based on cost of production or publication value, and ignoring probable profits, the large value of advertisement to be derived from publication, and similar assets undefined assets, is £50, and this is claimed as minimum compensation</p>	50	=	=	50	=	=	— nil —			50 = =		
	50	=	=	50	=	=	nil			50 = =		

Hugh S. Blackham.

