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Const John Keelan  
~~Sgt. Henry Connolly~~

REPORTED ON BY COMMITTEE

25 AUG. 1916

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Bicycle taken forcibly from Acting  
Sergeant Henry Connolly 56601 by  
Sinn Feiners at hurganreen on 24.6.16.

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County of South

Blanchardstown 14.6.16.

I beg to report that no  
trace of this bicycle has since  
been discovered.

The D.I. M. Wymes 55170.  
Dundalk 15-6-1916

Co Insp.

What would in

Submitted.

E. J. Donnelly  
No. 54316  
D.I. on duty

Your opinion be a reasonable  
value to put on this bicycle  
at the time it was taken?

The Insp. Dundalk 16.6.16

Submitted. There is little  
chance of the bicycle ever being  
traced. F. J. Mulvaney.  
Co. Insp.

HC  
27.6.16

The Insp. Genl.

Dundalk 29/6.

I beg to state that  
the price of bicycles  
has risen considerably  
this year and having  
regard to all the facts  
I think £9.9.0 (nine  
pounds) would be a  
reasonable value to put  
on this bicycle at the time  
it was taken.

The Insp. F. J. Mulvaney



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179318

Bicycle taken forcibly from Acting Sergeant Henry Connolly 56601 by Sinn Feiners at Duanganran on 24.4.16

County of Louth

Dundalk 22-5-1916.

For reply please.

E. Donnelly

Hb. 54816  
S. I. on duty

Serget Wymes.

Blanchbrasil St-23-5-16

I beg to report that Const. John Neilan 59054 informs me that this was a fourteen guinea machine (bicycle) which he bought second hand last November for £10.10.0.

No description was sent to the D.M.P. originally, but I have sent one to-day similar to the one attached.

H. Connolly AS 56601  
for Sgt on duty in Dublin

The D.I.

Dundalk 24.5.1916

Submitted

E. Donnelly

Hb. 54816  
S. I. on duty

The S.I.

Dundalk 25-5-16

Submitted with

The Referral

Co Inspr

Please report again in a fortnight if any trace of the bicycle has since been discovered

Willembert

A.G.  
30.5.16

reference to Finance  
Code Sect 280.

The facts are as stated  
in Act Serjt (Quolly's  
report of 15<sup>th</sup> inst.

J. Whelan

Dundalk 31: 5: 16

For compliance, please.

J. Whelan  
Co. Insp.

D: Dundalk

31: 5: 16

For compliance.

E. J. Donnelly

N.B. 54316

for D.T. on duty

The Serjt

at Clonbrassel St.

Bicycle taken forcibly from Acting  
Sergeant Henry Connolly 56601 by  
Sinn Feiners at Lurganreen  
on 24-4-1916.

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County of Louth

Dundalk 16-5-1916

33709  
Submitted.

E. J. Donnelly

No. 54316

for D. J. O'Donoghue

The C.

Dundalk 17: 5: 16

Please say to whom was sent

the description of the bicycle sent

for circulation. a copy of the

notice should be attached.

J. W. Ireland.  
Co. Insp.

Dundalk 18: 5: 16

For compliance.

E. J. Donnelly

No. 54316

for D. J. O'Donoghue

Det. W. W. Wymes

Blanchassis St. 19:5:16.

I beg to state that descriptions  
of the bicycle were sent to  
Castlebellingham, Duncees. Colkn,  
Ardee, Drogheda and Slane.  
attached is a copy of the notices  
sent in each case. answers  
have been received from all  
the stations mentioned stating  
that no such bicycle has been  
found.

The D. M. Wiggins \$55.70

Dundalk 20:5:16

Submitted;

E. J. Donnelly

H.B. 54,316

for J. Donnelly

The C.

Dundalk 21<sup>5</sup>/16.

What was the original  
cost of the bicycle?  
Was a description sent  
to the D.M. Police?

J. J. Whelan

The D. Dundalk

R. I. C. Canbrassil St 4031

Dundalk 13:5:16.

Description of a bicycle taken on 24<sup>th</sup> ult from police  
a burgangreen by an armed party of Sinn Feiners by force:—

a Raleigh Bicycle, 26 inch frame, Dunlop Tyres 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  inch, almost  
new. Brooks saddle, size 1390. Toolbag attached (leather) containing  
wrench spanners &c. a black celluloid pump with green  
connection, roller chain and gear case. no. not known.

Please say by return if any bicycle has been found  
and if so does it answer to this description

M Wymes Sgt 55170.



Bicycle taken forcibly from Acting  
Sergeant Henry Connolly 56,601, by Irish  
Volunteers (Sinn Féin Section) at  
Lurganreen Co Louth on 24: 4: 16

County of Louth

Blanchardstown St 15: 5: 16

I beg to report that on the morning  
of the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April I was detailed at  
Anne St B<sup>ldg</sup> Dundalk to follow by  
bicycle an armed party of above  
Volunteers which had left Dundalk  
immediately before. Sergeant Michael  
Wynnes 55,170 was also detailed for  
this duty. We accompanied them to  
Ardee & Colton, and to Slane Co Meath,  
and back on morning of 24<sup>th</sup> by  
Colton, Dunleer, & Castlebellingham  
to Lurganreen, when at this place  
a motor car overtook our party,  
this car came from the direction  
of Dublin, whatever communication  
was made by the occupants of this  
car to the party, they began to cheer  
and at once commander motor  
& other cars, ~~we~~ (police) were made  
prisoners and a party of men with  
rifles levelled at us had orders to  
shoot us if we stirred.

A man named John - McEntee  
who took a very prominent part  
in this affair came over to us  
and covering each of us with a  
The Sgt

revolver in turn searched us, and took our bicycles from us. We were detained for over an hour in custody and then the other bicycles were found on the roadside but the one I had was taken away upon a motor car in the direction of Castlebellingham.

I have had a description of the bicycle circulated, but no bicycles of the kind can be located by the police.

I wish to add that at the time I was detailed for the duty which I was upon, my own bicycle was at Claubrassil St. and it was the lend of Const. John Neilan<sup>59054</sup> of Anne St, which I had, and as I was using it on very important duty, and could not prevent it being taken from me as we were prisoners, I make this statement with the hope that Const. Neilan may be allowed compensation for the loss of his bicycle which he values at £10:0:0.

A. Connolly A.S. 56601

Claubrassil St. 15:5:16.

Submitted. I beg to state that I was present when this bicycle was taken from A. S. Connolly. Descriptions have been circulated but without result.

M. Wymes Sgt. 55170.

The D.I.

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Chief Secretary's Office, Ireland.

FINANCE DIVISION.



SUBJECT.

R.I.C.

Rebellion. Claims of members of Force for loss of private property.

Under Secretary

Such articles of equipment as can be replaced from Constabulary Supplies, have now been struck <sup>out</sup> and issues will be made to the men accordingly. These articles are duplicates of those supplied to the men at public expense, and were purchased (there is no reason to doubt) by the men themselves, in order to present a good appearance on Parade. The Schedule of claims has been amended accordingly

and

Inspector General.

Several of the items in accompanying lists consist of articles of equipment, kit, &c. worn by uniformed men. The Under Secretary wishes to have an assurance that all such articles were purchased by the men without expense to the Public, and to be informed whether it is practicable to replace them from any available stores at Depot

J.S.T. 26.7.16

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and the total is now £460.3.0

Articles in the nature of equipment which have not been struck out of the lists belong to a man's kit (see sections 1200 and 1597 of the General Code) which he supplies and maintains at his own expense and which cannot be renewed from public supplies.

N. Chamberlain

H.  
28.7.16

Mr Healy

The claims as amended are sent herewith for consideration by the Committee.

J. Taylor

31. VII. 16

Please register (Forms herewith sent)  
Each case regd  
2/8/16  
2.8.16

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OFFICE Files attached: -

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179,970 ✓

ROYAL IRISH CONSTABULARY OFFICE,

DUBLIN CASTLE.

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179,988 ✓

179,957 ✓

179,726 ✓

179,990 ✓

179,318 ✓

179,989 ✓

179,969 ✓

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FINANCE DIVISION.

SUBJECT.

MINUTE.

County of \_\_\_\_\_

CLAIMS for COMPENSATION by

Members of the ROYAL IRISH CON-

STABULARY for loss of PRIVATE

PROPERTY looted, damaged or

destroyed by REBELS.

Total amount £ 466,14.6

UNDER SECRETARY,

I submit for the favourable consideration of H.M. Treasury the accompanying claims put forward by members of the Force for compensation for the private property of various kinds ( clothing, jewellery, kit, bicycles etc.) looted, damaged and destroyed by rebels during the Rising in April last.

A summary of the claims, with necessary details, is given on the accompanying Schedule, including a brief statement of the circumstances under which the loss was sustained.

From inquiries made through the local Officers it would seem that the values arrived at, as stated in the summary, are reasonable.

N. Chamberlain.

Inspector-General.

25th. July, 1916.

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Schedule of Private Property  
belonging to members of the

Royal Irish Constabulary,  
looted, damaged or destroyed  
by Rebels during the Rebellion  
in April 1916.

with estimated values.

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Schedule of Private Property belonging to members of the Royal Irish Constabulary, looted, damaged or destroyed by rebels during the Rebellion in April, 1916, with estimated values.

County.	Station.	Claimant.	nature of Property taken, damaged or destroyed.	Estimated value when taken by Rebels.			How and when taken.
				£.	s.	d.	
Dublin	3678	Garristown Sgts. Thos. Mc Donagh	Photographic camera &c. cutlery and clothing &c. &c.	6	16	6	about a dozen armed rebels effected an entrance into the barrack, only one Constable being in charge at the time. The rebels threatened to shoot the Constable if he did not produce the arms &c.
"	3679	Const. Nicholas Mc Tuillan	Articles of Police Equipment, property of claimant	-	6	6	
"	3680	Const. Stephen Kirwan	Damage to bicycle; valise and clothing lost	1	9	.	
"	3681	Const. Jas. Phelan	Damage to bicycle and portmanteau; overcoat &c. lost	5	.	.	
"	3682	School of Musketry Dollymount Sgts. Ed. Henry	Overcoat, gloves &c. commandeered	2	5	.	The Sergeant was captured by the rebels and held a prisoner in the General Post Office.
Galway	3683	Ballyquerrane Hut Sgts. Fennel O'Leary	Clothing, bicycle, books, private equipment &c.	<del>44</del> 45	<del>10</del> 12	<del>6</del>	
"	3684	Const. Owen Rooney	Clothing, watches, fishing rod, private equipment &c.	<del>44</del> 45	<del>1</del> 2	<del>10</del> 11	Ballyquerrane Hut was vacated and locked up by order of the District Inspector on 25.4.16. The force of only 4 men, in face of hundreds of rebels, had to be withdrawn. The rebels broke open the Hut and looted the property.
"	3685	Const. Malachy J. Brennan	Clothing, regulation boxes, private equipment &c.	25	5	7	
"	3686	Const. Thos. J. O'Keefe	Clothing, photographs, 1 kit, boxes, watches &c.	<del>54</del> 55	<del>7</del> 5	10	
"	3687	Party at the Hut	Provisions, cooking and messing utensils.	5	5	.	
"	3688	New Inn Const. John Moloney	Police Equipment not supplied by the public	2	16	6	
"	3689	Const. Wm. Strain	"	.	13	11	Barrack raided at night while Sergeant was alone. Rebels held up the Sergeant while they looted the private property.
"	3690	Const. Wm. Andrew	"	.	11	6	
"	3691	Const. P. McMahon	Knee cap	.	1	11	
"	3692	Const. Jno. Mc Hale	"	.	1	11	
Carried forward				196	14	9	
				191	19	3	

(Continued.)

Private Property of R.I.C. stolen & by Rebels.

(Continued)

County	Station	Claimant	nature of property taken damaged or destroyed.	Estimated Value when taken by Rebels			How and where taken.
				£	s.	d.	
				Brought forward			
Galway E.R.	Tallyho	Adiq. Sgt. W.A. Willson	clothes, portmanteau, kit &c.	196	14	9	As 1,000 rebels were in vicinity of Tallyho barrack, the men were ordered by the District Inspector to withdraw. All arms and records removed and as much other property as possible. Vans sent to remove the remainder had to turn back. The barrack was looted on 29.4.16.
"	"	3694 Const. Thos Scally	clothing, regulation boxes, kit &c.	191	19	3	
"	"	3695 Const. Fras Curran	clothing, portmanteau, binocular, kit &c.	17	8	7	
"	"	3696 Const. Garth Cahilane	clothing, kit &c.	17	18	10	
"	"	3697 Const. Thos Carroll	clothing, portmanteau, kit &c.	26	12	.	
"	"	3698 Const. Ed. Regan	clothing, kit, violin &c.	23	9	.	
"	"	3699	part at Tallyho Provisions, hardware &c.	1	16	.	
Galway W.R.	Kilcolgan	Const. J.J. Donovan	One bicycle lost	8	.	.	Constable was arrested on the road by rebels, who commandeered his machine.
Louth	Glanbrassil	Const. Jno. Neilar	" " "	9	9	.	Taken from Adiq. Sgt. N. Connolly, while on duty. Bicycle had been lent to him by Const. Neilar
Meath	Dunshaughlin	Serq. Philip Brady	One bicycle and a £5 note lost	13	10	.	Taken from men at Ashbourne by rebels.
"	"	4033 Const. Wm. H. Chamney	One bicycle lost	7	10	.	
Wexford	Ferns	Serq. W.J. Lyons	Jewellery, cutlery, clothing, provisions, coal &c. &c.	67	10	2	Vacated Ferns barrack for safety of men and concentration order of County Inspector. Rebels broke into Barrack on 29.4.16, remaining until next day. They destroyed or carried away all articles of public and private property.
"	"	4035 Const. Peter O'Brien	clothing &c. lost: repairs to bicycle	10	9	8	
"	"	4036 Const. P. Murray	clothing, books &c. lost: repairs to bicycle.	12	6	7	
"	"	4037 Const. W. Casey	clothing, portmanteau &c.	8	7	4	
"	"	4038 Const. G. Wright	clothing & cycle lamp	5	16	.	
				<u>Total £</u>			
				460	3	6	

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