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4326.

John Matthews.  
                    

Declined by committee  
                                    

Not claimant's property

10th Octr.,

re Claim No.4326 - John Matthews.

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Dear Sir,

In reference to above claim I am to inform you that the Bicycle claimed for was not the claimant's property, and that the tools also included in claim have since been recovered from the Military Authorities.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

John M. McDowell, Esq.,  
Solicitor,  
Bachelor's Walk.

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31 Hollybrook Road  
Clontarf  
Dublin

12<sup>th</sup> Oct 1916

James J. Healy Esqr  
Dublin

Dear Sir,

re Claims No. 4326 - John Matthews.

Referring to your letter of the 28<sup>th</sup> ult. as above.  
I now have to say that before reporting on this claim I satisfied myself that the tools etc were claimant's own property.

I happened to be in the neighbourhood a few days ago & I called & was advised that since my last interview Matthews has recovered all his property from the military authorities with the exception of the Bicycle.

The claim is therefore reduced to nothing & the papers may be filed away.

Yours faith fully

Arthur M. Brown

Inspector.

I Inform Mr Mc Dowell that the bicycle  
claim for was not the claimant's property, & that he does  
also incl. in cl. have since been removed for the mil. authorities.

It was in Dept - not allowed by Commiss Donegan  
11.10.16

All claims to be.

grd  
10/10/16

PROPERTY LOSSES (IRELAND) COMMITTEE, 1916.

Inspector's Report.

Claim No. 4326.

Name of Claimant John Matthews Occupation Fitter

Situation of Property 22 Eugene Street Dublin

Description	Claim	Insurance (if any)	Valuation of Buildings (Commissioner of Valuation)	Inspector's Valuation of full Damage	Loss Payable on basis of Insurance	Excess of Loss over and above amount payable under the Policies of Insurance
Bicycles	£9.10.0	nil	nil		nil	nil
Tools etc	£0.14.6	nil	nil	£0.14.6	nil	nil
Cash	1.10					
TOTALS, £	10 9 4 £9.14.6	nil	nil	nil.	nil	nil

nil up

Interests in the buildings

See full particulars in enclosed report.

\* Since recovered from the military authorities  
4/10/16

Award of Committee: Contents 17/6 subject to Police  
Do. Buildings

Private & Confidential

31 Hollybrook Road.

Clontarf.

Dublin

31<sup>st</sup> Augt 1916

J. J. Healy Esqr.

51 St Stephens Green

Dublin

Dear Sir,

re claim N<sup>o</sup>. 4326 - John Matthews.

Claim in this case is in respect of a Bicycle which was taken under the following circumstances :-

Matthews is employed as a fitter at the Blanchardstown Mills on the morning of the outbreak his mother & sister-in-law who live in North King Street went to Blanchardstown. He went down to his brother-in-law who has a cycle shop in King Street. He took the first bicycle at hand and went to see his mother. All went well till he reached Rialto Bridge on the return journey. at this place he was arrested on suspicion by the military & brought to Richmond Barracks where he remained for a week. He was then, in company with other prisoners sent to England and was subsequently released after a fortnight. He has since been out of work as he cannot get a job the military having taken all his testimonials.

During my interview I learned that the bicycle claimed for was not his own property but belonged to a man in Dunshaughlin who had left it in for repairs. The machine in question was a "Premier" ordinary freewheel & evidently had been in use for some time as Matthews told me that if it were his own he would value it at about £4.10.0.

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but the owner insisted on his claiming £9:10:0 for it. He could not tell me owner's name.

This is a case which does not come within the terms of reference and I have therefore no recommendation to make. In conclusion I might add that I do not think that Matthews had anything to do with the rebellion

Yours faithfully.

Arthur M. Brown

Inspector.

Property Losses (Ireland) Committee, 1916.

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

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

7 AUG. 1916

JOHN M. McDOWELL, M. B. O'NEILL, J. J. DEVLIN

I John Matthews now residing at 22 Eugene Street in the City of Dublin do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that on or about the 24 day of April 1916, damage was done to the undermentioned Property, namely:—\*

\* State situation of property damaged.

Personal effects

and such damage was occasioned to the best of my belief by\*\* Military taking possession at time of arrest (25-4-16) on suspicion and not returned since release 3 weeks later

\*\* 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; 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‡ myself.

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

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

Table with 3 columns: Company, Policy No., Amount £. Includes handwritten entries for 'The Mutual' and 'The Phoenix'.

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 27th day of July 1916, at 31

Richard J. [Signature] in the said City, County,

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

Signature of Claimant John Matthews

[Signature of Justice of the Peace]

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.



