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Mark Sydney Orr.

REPORTED ON COMMITTEE

4 APR 1917

STEWART & ORR,
SOLICITORS.

M. SYDNEY ORR,
Commissioner for Affidavits.

TELEGRAMS: "STEWART, DUBLIN."

TELEPHONE DUBLIN 521.



Chambers:-
7, Great Brunswick Street.
(Opposite Trinity College)

Dublin.

21st day of June 1921

The Under Secretary
Chief Secretary's Office
DUBLIN CASTLE

2491/21

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Dear Sirs,

We are duly in receipt of your letter of yesterday enclosing us :

1. Original letter dated 18th Octr. 1916 from Messrs Adam Scott & Co to us (2) Original letter dated 17th Octr. 1916 from Mr H. Sharman Crawford to us, for which we are much obliged.

Yours faithfully,

ECW
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2491/21.

20 June, 1921.

Gentlemen,

With reference to previous correspondence, relative to original documents forwarded by you in a supplemental claim to the Property Losses Committee, I have to state that the file in question has now been traced, and I return herewith the original letters thereon addressed to you by Messrs Adam Scott & Co., and Mr Sharman Crawford.

Kindly ack. receipt

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

H. B. Duggan

Messrs Stewart & Orr,

Solicitors,

7 Gt. Brunswick St.,

Dublin.

Recd. 21/6/21

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CHIEF SECRETARY'S
OFFICE
- 2 JUN 1921

Chambers:-
7, Great Brunswick Street,
(Opposite Trinity College)

Dublin.

31st

day of

May

1921

The Under Secretary
Chief Secretary's office
DUBLIN CASTLE

2491

Dear Sir,

I beg to draw attention to my letter to Mr C.C. Duggan (in reply to his of the 9th Febry last) dated the 17th Febry, last and to the fact that I have not received any reply thereto nor any communication from any one since on the subject matter thereof. I presume that this is due to an oversight on the part of the Official dealing with the matter and would request a reply in due course of post enclosing me the original of Messrs Adam Scott & Co's letter to me of the 18th Octr. 1916.

Yours faithfully,

M. Sydney Orr

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TELEPHONE DUBLIN 521.

CHIEF SECRETARY'S
OFFICE
18 FEB 1921

Chambers:-
7, Great Brunswick Street,
(Opposite Trinity College)
Dublin.

17th day of Febry 1921

C.C. Duggan Esq.
Chief Secretary's office
DUBLIN CASTLE

Dear Sir,

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=====

We are obliged for your letter of the 9th inst. The Declaration to which the original letter of the 18th Octr. 1916 from Messrs Adam Scott & Co to us, was attached, was dated the 23rd day of Octr. 1916 and was sent by us on that day to the Secretary, The Property Losses (I) Committee 1916, 51 St Stephens Green, Dublin, the reference No being 3962 M.S.Orr.

Trusting that with this information you will be able to trace the matter.

We are,

Yours faithfully,

Stewart & Orr

SD

2491.

9 February, 1921.

Gentlemen,

Referring to your letter of the 17th ultimo, I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to inform you that no trace can be found in ^{the} papers relative to your claim for loss of contents in your late Offices 43 and 44 Lower Sackville Street of the original letter from Messrs Scott and Co. referred to by you.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

G. G. Duggan

Messrs Stewart & Orr,

7 Great Brunswick Street,

Dublin.

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Librarian,

Please look up
original Property Losses Claim
+ see if you can trace an
of letter referred to in
attached.

J. 18
1

Don

Letter referred to is not
on this file. There is no
record in Regy. of any building
claim from Stewart + Don

I So info Geo
B pa.
done 9/12

9/10

J. 19
1 21

I desps
H. 2

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OFFICE
18 JAN 1921

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Dublin.

The Under Secretary
Chief Secretary's office
Dublin Castle

17th day of Janry 1921

CHIEF SECRETARY'S

2401 - 26 JAN. 1921

OFFICE

Right Hon. Sir,

Property Losses (Ireland) Committee 1916
No 3962 M.S.Orr
=====

On or about the 23rd day of October 1916 we lodged a Declaration in support of our claim for compensation in respect of the destruction of our late offices Nos 43 & 44 Lower Sackville St Dublin. Annexed thereto was an original letter dated the 18th Octr. 1916 from Messrs Adam Scott & Co to us offering us £30 in settlement of costs for professional services rendered and moneys expended on their behalf prior to the year 1916, the papers in connection with which had been destroyed. We would feel obliged if you would have the original letter from Messrs Adam Scott & Co mentioned returned to us as we now require same.

Yours faithfully,

Stewart & Orr

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Memorandum

Nothing is apparently
admissible in this case
have apparently in
respect of them

Dr. J. B. Boulden

MA

22/2/17

PROPERTY LOSSES (IRELAND) COMMITTEE, 1916.

Inspector's Report.

Claim No. 6494.

Name of Claimant Mark Sydney Orr Occupation Solicitor

Situation of Property 43 & 44 Lower Sackville St.

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
Seeds, Documents Letter Books. &c. &c.	£1095-		-	£25-		
TOTALS, £	1095:0:0		-	25:0:0		

Interests in the buildings

Remarks

Signature

Date

Award of Committee: Contents £25 6/4

Do. Buildings

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 Mark Sydney Orr (Stewart & Orr) now residing
at 7 Great Brunswick Street in the City of Dublin

do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that on or about the 26th day of April
1916, damage was done to the undermentioned Property, namely:—* Settin Books

* State
situation of
property
damaged.

papers documents and records of work done
and such damage was occasioned to the best of my belief by** fire arising
through the recent Rebellion in the City of Dublin

** 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 ^{or value} 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 thereof; 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,
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 23 day of

October

1916, at

40 Fleet St in the said City,
County,

before me, a Justice of the Peace for the said

Signature of Claimant } Mark Sydney Orr
City }
County } Hubbard Clark

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.)

COPY

16th Octr. 1916

H. Sharman Crawford Esq.
17 Sycamore Street
DUBLIN

Dear Sir,

You are of course aware that during the recent Rebellion all our general papers, including all records in connection with your business, were destroyed by fire, and as a result we are unable to give you detailed particulars, or indeed any particulars, of the amount you owed us up to the 26th April 1916, when the fire occurred.

Our recollection is that amongst various other matters we had a Chancery proceeding for you, in which you were unsuccessful, and taking this into consideration, and basing our estimate on previous A/cs. we would say that you would owe us in or about from £90 to £100 for work done up to the time of the destruction of our respective premises, and we would feel obliged if you would let us know if you are prepared to admit this sum, and we would be pleased to hear from you as to this as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd)

STEWART & ORR

COPY

16th Octr. 1916

Messrs Adam Scott & Co.
44 Upr Sackville Street
DUBLIN

Dear Sirs,

You are of course aware that all our general papers, including those in connection with your business, were destroyed by fire during the recent Rebellion, and as a result we are unable to give you detailed particulars of the amount that might be due by you to us up to the time of the fire, viz: 26th April of present year. Basing our opinion on previous A/cs and on the fact that the volume of work in connection with your business had considerably increased during the twelve months previous to the Rebellion, we would say that you would owe us in or about £100 all told. Kindly say if you are prepared to admit this sum, and if not, how much you are prepared to admit.

The favour of an early reply would oblige.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd)

STEWART & ORR

PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

MR. H. SHARMAN CRAWFORD :

I had done a large amount of general work for Mr Crawford previous to the fire, All my records have been destroyed and Mr. Crawford's records have suffered a similar fate. The work represented correspondence and proceedings, preparation of documents and the like.

I annex copy of my letter to Mr Crawford of the 16th inst. and Mr Crawford's letter to me of the 17th inst.

I should fairly place my loss at

£ 40: 0: 0

*over above the
£50 Crawford owes
to pay*

MAJOR REGINALD BRUDENELL MURPHY :

A great portion of the work done for this client consisted of briefs for Counsel in Land Commission and other matters, Writs for recovery of rents, Abstracts of Title, also general correspondence in relation to his Estates.

We were working for Major Brudenell Murphy for several years since we last furnished him with a Bill. I am not in a position to ascertain what he would owe me. I should say that he owes me at least £200. I am sure that he would admit £100 but he is at present on active Military service.

Estimated loss say

*most above the
£100 retained
the amount for
about*
100: 0: 0

FORWARD

£ 140: 0: 0

Brought Forward

£ 140: 0: 0

Miscellaneous envelopes in press in back

Private office. These consisted of a large series of envelopes containing letters of Instructions from numerous clients. On these envelopes were recorded the Instructions received and the nature of the work done and references to letter books and the envelopes contained original letters, drafts of documents of various kinds and numerous papers and documents relating to the business transacted, I can bring to recollection only some of the names of clients concerned. The envelopes covered a period of several years back.

They recorded the transaction of business of a small Miscellaneous nature. Some of them represented work to the value of about £5 and some of the value of about £2. There were in or about 100 of these envelopes and taking them at an average of £3 represents a loss to me of say

300: 0: 0

I am in a position to prove the existence of these envelopes.

I annex Statutory Declaration of my Managing Assistant, Mr George Richardson, which corroborates my statement.

FORWARD

£ 440: 0: 0

Oct 5

Honolulu

Brought Forward

£ 440: 0: 0

ORR v DONALDSON :

✓ The briefing in this case had all been prepared and was ready for use at the Trial, which was fixed for the Easter Term. I had also prepared at considerable labour for the Trial of the action a Statement of the Case for Counsel and of the evidence in the case.

These were all burnt and the work had to been done over again.
The new briefs were taxed and the Taxing Master allowed £23 in respect thereof, and I claim in all for the work destroyed which had to be done over again, and the labour and trouble in connection therewith

25-0-0
~~30: 0: 0~~

DEBT COLLECTING DEPARTMENT :

This is a department of my business in which the work consists mainly of the collection of A/cs for firms in England and Ireland and is done entirely by correspondence. My system was when I received an A/c to collect, I opened an envelope with the name of the client and of the person who owed the money, I then recorded on this envelope the work done from the commencement and as the envelope was noted from time to time it was enclosed in an envelope of a larger size, and so on until the case was finished. I have nothing to show what work was done, and these envelopes and reference to my letter books enabled me to

FORWARD

£470: 0: 0

Brought Forward

£470: 0: 0

prepare my costs from time to time. I calculate my loss in this respect by reason of the destruction of these envelopes and my letter books at at least

30: 0: 0

J. C. GALLAGHER :

I had done a lot of work for this gentleman, fighting proceedings against him, negotiating sale of his property, and loans thereon, which however were not completed. Nearly all the work was the result of correspondence when he was living in England. He owed me at least £100 but he is a gentleman that will require particulars to be furnished to him and I am absolutely certain he will not pay me anything unless compelled by law to do so and by reason of the destruction of my papers I am not in a position to furnish him with particulars.

100: 0: 0

KINCART v CARROLL :

This was an Administration Suit in Chancery of which I had the carriage. The Suit is still pending and the documents, including a lengthy Chancery account and all the vouchers in the case have been destroyed and will have to be reproduced.

It will cost me to put this matter in proper train again at least

any amount
~~30: 0: 0~~

FORWARD

£ 630/ 0: 0

✓
Brought Forward

£ 630: 0: 0

JULIA HARRISON, a Bankrupt

This was a Bankruptcy proceeding on behalf of Liverpool clients where I succeeded in getting a substantial sum into Court by the examination of witnesses etc. The briefs and Miscellaneous papers have all been destroyed.

I put my loss by reason of the destruction of the papers at

15: 0: 0

MRS BROWN, Mohill :

I did work for this lady, drafting deeds and other miscellaneous work and all the work and correspondence has been burnt. I cannot ascertain what she owes me or give her particulars.

I put my loss at

15: 0: 0

There were a number of Miscellaneous bills of Costs which had been furnished and which as well as all the papers and documents relating thereto have been burnt. I have no means of proving these bills and I estimate my loss at

100: 0: 0

MR. JORDI :

This gentleman owes me a fairly large Bill. He is a hard business man and unless I can give him details will certainly decline to pay me and I feel sure of losing at least

15: 0: 0

BROUGHT FORWARD

£ 775: 0: 0

PURDON'S TRUSTS - SHEW'S ESTATE :

I have been acting in this matter for many years and have done a large volume of work in connection with the Estate for which I have not yet been paid. All the papers and documents and my letter books having been destroyed I cannot formulate a Bill of costs and I estimate I will lose

150: 0: 0

ADAM SCOTT & CO :

Messrs Scott owe me I should say in or about £100. They have offered me £30, as per correspondence annexed.

Loss say

70: 0: 0

MAYSTON TRUST :

A box of original letters and vouchers for this Estate, extending over a period of five years without which the costs cannot be drawn,

Loss say

50: 0: 0

I must also make a general claim in respect of cases in which some of the papers have been preserved but owing to destruction of my letter books and drafts of documents and other papers the true amount due cannot be ascertained and in

FORWARD

£ 1045: 0: 0

Brought Forward

£1045: 0: 0

respect of which compromises with the clients will
no doubt be effected but which will result in a
loss to me. On this basis I feel that my loss
will amount to fully

50: 0: 0

£1095: 0: 0

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Dublin.

26th day of Oct. 1916

The Secretary,
The Property Losses (I) Committee 1916
51 St Stephens Green, E.
DUBLIN

*No entry in register
of claims having been
recd.*

Dear Sir,

Referring to my separate claim (sent in in pursuance of your letter of the 9th inst. to Mr John J. McDonald) of the 23rd inst. and the letter of same date, addressed to your Committee, attached thereto, there is a matter to which I would desire to draw the attention of your Committee which I consider places me on a different footing to the other Solicitors affected by the fire. Some years ago I took the precaution of having a Strong room constructed in connection with my late offices at 43 & 44 Lower Sackville Street, and as a result I saved from the fire several hundreds of original deeds the property of my clients, including a number of original deeds, some of which dated back to the year 1835 forming the root or roots of title to three Estates which have been agreed to be sold to the Congested Districts Board, the purchase moneys of which amount in the aggregate to a sum of £97,429. By saving these deeds I feel, that in view of the arrangement which I understand is being made by the Government to provide a fund out of which the cost of making Title to

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The Secretary,
Property Losses (I) Committee

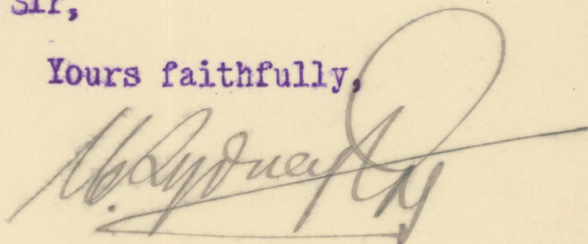
property in respect of which deeds were destroyed during the Rebellion is to be paid, I saved the Government a considerable sum of money, and I will lose the benefit of any work that might have had to be done to prove the different Titles represented by the deeds thus saved.

You will of course understand that the general papers in my office would not be kept in the Strong room.

I also desire to draw the attention of your Committee to the enclosed letter, which I have just received, from the Law Union and Rock Insurance Co which shows that immediately before the Rebellion I was actually negotiating for an Insurance policy up to £1000 to cover my papers and documents, but owing to the wording of the proposed policy I was not satisfied that it would have covered the risk against which I desired to insure.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,



LAW UNION & ROCK INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

TOTAL ASSETS EXCEED £9,700,000.
ANNUAL INCOME EXCEEDS £1,300,000.
CLAIMS PAID OVER £25,000,000.

ALL LETTERS ON THE BUSINESS OF THE
COMPANY SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO
THE DISTRICT MANAGER.

46 & 47, DAME STREET,

Fire

DEPARTMENT.

DUBLIN, 26th October 19 16.

Messrs. Stewart & Orr,
7, Gt. Brunswick Street,
Dublin.

Dear Sirs,

re Insurance of Deeds & Other Law Papers

You will probably remember that just previous to the Rebellion you were contemplating taking out a Policy for the above. As you have now probably settled down in your new Offices, I shall be glad to know if you still desire to take out the Policy. When discussing the matter with my Inspector, I think you mentioned the amount of the Policy would be ~~for~~ £1,000.

We sent you copy of the wording of the Policy, but as same was probably destroyed with your other papers during the Rebellion, I enclose another copy herewith.

Awaiting the favour of your reply,

Yours faithfully,

W. B. Picherman
Manager for Ireland.



On deeds, documents, manuscripts, books of account, cost sheets, drafts, briefs, maps, plans and other law papers, and copies of the foregoing stamps thereon and unused stationery, the property of the Insured or held by them as Agents, or in trust or on commission and for which they are responsible in.....

It is hereby declared and agreed that this Insurance is to cover all the legal and other costs, charges and expenses of, or incidental to reinstating or replacing any of the above property in the event of loss or damage by fire, and the provision of equivalent or substitutionary property, and the prosecution of any action or proceeding for that purpose, but in no case is the sum payable for legal or other costs, charges and expenses in respect of any one deed, map, plan ^{or copy of one deed, map, plan or other document or paper} or other document or paper to exceed....

Memo:- 10% of the sum insured by this policy is declared to apply to property as herein described, either in the Chambers and Offices of the Insured or elsewhere in the United Kingdom whilst deposited with, or in the possession of any Law Stationer, Scrivener Solicitor or Counsel, or in any Law Court Bank, Safe Deposit or Public Office or in any Private Dwelling House, Lodging House, Hotel or Club in which the Insured or any of them or any Clerk or other servant having custody of the same, may be staying, but this variation shall only take effect if and so far as the property so deposited, or in such situation or possession or custody is not otherwise insured.

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23rd day of Octr. 19 16

The Secretary,
Property Losses (I) Committee 1916
51 St Stephens Green, East

Dear Sir, Re - Claim 3962 M.S.Orr

~~RECEIVED~~
~~STEWART & ORR~~

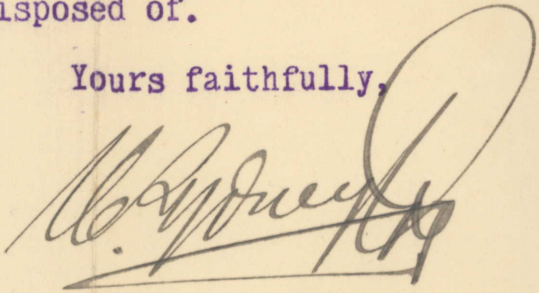
In accordance with your letter of the
9th inst. to Mr. John J. McDonald, Solicitor, I
herewith beg to enclose you a ~~separate~~ claim
in respect of my loss of costs etc. and copy
thereof.

Annexed to the original Claim are two
original letters, one dated the 17th inst. from
Mr. H. Sharman Crawford to my firm and the other
dated the 18th inst. from Messrs Adam Scott & Co
to my firm, and I would feel obliged if you

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would kindly have these carefully preserved so
that they can be returned to me when the Claim
has been finally disposed of.

Yours faithfully,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. J. Dwyer', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ackd
23/26/16

Genl. Hall

Refers to Invoice, Dec 26/16

and

24/12/16

9th October,

No. 3962, M. S. Orr.

Dear Sir,

Included in above claim is an item of £1,200, Loss of Costs for work done. This item has been deleted and Mr Orr should furnish a separate claim in respect of it on the forms sent herewith.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

J. J. McDonald, Esq.,

Solicitor,

116 Grafton St.

9th October,

No. 3962.

Dear Sirs,

Omitting the item of £1200,
Loss of Costs for work done for which
Mr Orr should send in a separate claim,
the remaining admissible items claimed for
will not exceed £1,000. In the circum-
stances you might furnish your valuation
of the full damage.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Messrs. Hume & Co.,
16 College Green.

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23rd day of OCTOBER 1916

TO,
The Property Losses (I) Committee 1916
51 St Stephens Green
DUBLIN

Gentlemen,

Annexed hereto I beg to submit a Statement in support of my claim for loss of Costs, and for work done, which had to be done over again, by reason of the destruction of my letter books, original letters, papers and documents and records of work done, which were in my late offices at 43 & 44 Lower Sackville Street, and which were destroyed during the recent disturbances.

I would desire to remind you of the fact that a Solicitor is not entitled to recover any costs from a client until the Solicitor has first furnished his client with a detailed Bill of his costs drawn in accordance with the legal scale of charges for each item.

The papers, records and documents which were in my office at the time of the fire, were my "stock-in-trade" and represented professional services rendered and work and labour done, and without these papers, records and documents I am unable to make out the necessary particulars to satisfy my clients, who are concerned, as to the amounts due by them

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The Property Losses (I) Committee 1916

to me, or to enable me to recover payment of the costs due to me.

I accordingly give you, as far as I possibly can, an explanatory Statement showing how each item of my claim has been arrived at, and I trust that when you have considered the matter you will see the justice of my claim, which is not a "consequential" but a serious and direct loss to me by reason of the destruction of my property and I feel confident that in the exercise of your judgment you will do what is fair and equitable under the circumstances.

I cannot supply more definite information than the Statement contains, but should like to add that I have been a member of this firm for over 20 years, having joined the late Mr Henry T. Stewart, Solicitor in partnership in the year 1896 and the late Mr Henry T. Stewart had been practising for many years previous to that time.

Since the lodgment of my former claim with you I have been able to put together material which will enable me to establish some of the items representing portion of the £1200, the estimated figure contained in my Declaration of the 21st July last, thus reducing my claim in this

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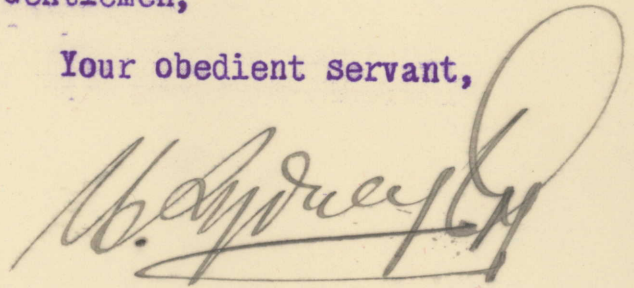
The Property Losses (I) Committee 1916

respect to the present figure.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M. Sydney Orr', with a large, elegant flourish at the end.

COUNTY OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN

TO WIT.

I, GEORGE RICHARDSON of No. 2 Rock Road
Booterstown in the County of Dublin aged 40
years and upwards

Do solemnly and sincerely DECLARE, as follows:—

1. I have acted as principal Managing Assistant for many years back to Mr. M. Sydney Orr of Messrs Stewart & Orr, Solicitors, at his offices late at 43 & 44 Lower Sackville Street, Dublin, and at his present offices No. 7 Great Brunswick Street, Dublin.

2. At the date when Mr Orr's offices were destroyed by fire during the recent Rebellion he had in his back private office a large press wherein there were numerous envelopes, about 100 in all, containing letters, documents and records relating to business transacted from time to time for various clients. I could not recall more than a few of the names of the clients concerned. I verily believe that without these envelopes and the contents thereof, and without his letter books, it would be impossible for Mr Orr to ascertain how much was due to him for the work represented thereby, or the names of the different persons for whom the work was done, but from my knowledge of Mr Orr's business I would say that the envelopes and contents thereof represented various small transactions and the costs earned in respect thereof would vary from £3 to £5 each.

3. I further say that I have read the particulars attached to Mr Orr's Declaration made this day in connection with his claim in respect of the loss of costs which he has sustained and that from my intimate knowledge of Mr Orr's business and from my connection therewith the claim of £1095: 0: 0 fairly represents actual loss sustained by Mr Orr through the destruction of the letter books, papers, records and documents in his late offices above mentioned by fire during the recent disturbances in connection with the recent Rebellion in the City of Dublin.

4. I am personally aware of the matters aforesaid and I make this Declaration at the request of Mr Orr and for the satisfaction of the Property Losses (Ireland) Committee 1916.

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 [5 & 6 Wm. IV., c. 62]."

Made and subscribed before me this

23rd day of

October

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Signed

George Richardson,

James Blackburn
JP City of Dubl.