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Mrs. Kathleen Ward.

Declined by Committee.

## re Claim No. 6818.

Dear Madam,

In reference to above, particulars of which were furnished by Major Heathcote, I am directed by the Property Losses Committee to state that they are unable to entertain the claim.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Mrs Kathleen Ward, 19 Upper Sherrard Street, Dublin.

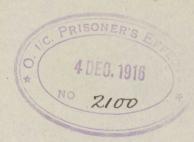
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Prisoners' Effects,

Mrs. Kathleen Ward,

19 Upper Sherrard St, N. C. R. Dublin.



The Secretary,

The Property Losses (Ireland) Committee,

51 St. Stephen's Green,

Dublin.

Sir,

Herewith particulars filed with me by Mrs. Kathleen Ward, during the past week.

It appears that a man named Joseph Welsh took the bicycle from her house on April 24th.

The man was a lodger in the house at the time. He went out with the intention of attending a Sinn Fein Route March, and has not since been heard of.

I have no trace of the bicycle. I cannot trace the man as having been taken a prisoner. A man named Michael Murphy, another lodger in the house, is now in Frongoch Camp.

The machine was bought by Joseph Welsh and Mrs. K. Ward stood security for the payment.

C. Harold Heatherto. Major.

O. i/c Prisoners' Effects.

Room 32 Hospital, Headquarters, Irish Command, Parkgate, DUBLIN.

4/12/16.

Out of these 4 names, there is only one that can be traced that is - Michael Murphy, 19, Upper Sherrard Street, and he is at present at Frongoch.

STATEMENT by Mrs. Kathleen Ward,

19, Upr. Sherrard, Street,
North Circular Road,
Dublin.

Mrs. K. Ward states, about February last, she stood security for a bicycle bought on the Instalment system, by a man named Joseph Welsh, who at that time and up to the following April 24th, was lodging at her house at above address.

The bicycle, a 24" Lucania No.23416 cost about £8:15:0 of which only the deposit of £1:0:0 had been paid; same was bought from a Miss McHew of Talbot Street, Cycle Agent, who now claims on Mrs. Ward for the balance, or the return of the bicycle.

This man left the above address on April 24th intending to go out with his company (Sinn Feiners) and since that date she has neither seen nor heard of him.

Besides this man, there were three others named - Murphy,

J. F. - Kavanagh, James - and McManary (?) F., who were Sinn

Feiners also, and have not been heard of since.

On the following Wednesday week of April 24th the house was searched by the Staffordshire Regiment, Captain Hawkins being in charge of the party.

They took all their effects including three rifles, the Chief Inspector of Mountjoy also accompanied Capt. Hawkins, and the party.

At the time this house was searched, Mrs. Ward thinks the troops were billeted in the Public House on the corner owned by people named Leach.