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John Knight, Ltd.

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Claim not proceeded with by claimants.

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If any cases are to be dealt subsequent to the sending in of the Committee's  
final report this claim might be brought up for consideration

22/6/17



# *The Dublin Fire & Property Losses Association (1916).*

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OFFICES: STAR BUILDINGS,

12/14 COLLEGE GREEN,

DUBLIN.

ROBERT J. KIDNEY, F.S.A.A.

SECRETARY.

Telephone 3726

27th. June, 1917.

James J. Healy Esq.,

Secretary,

Property Losses Committee,

51, St. Stephen's Green E.

Dear Sir,

I enclose letter received from Messrs John Knight Ltd., with reference to their claim. I have replied that the forms have not passed through this Office although the claim was sent to you on the 17th July last.

Yours faithfully,

*Robert J. Kidney*  
Secretary.

Encl. 1.



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The ROYAL PRIMROSE  
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H.M. KING GEORGE V.



SB/KS

25th June, 1917.

Mr. R. J. Kidney,  
The Dublin Fire & Property Losses Assn. 1916,  
Dublin.

Dear Sir,

You were good enough to write to us on the 18th April last that you forwarded our claim direct to Mr. J. J. Healy on the 17th July. As you will see from **the** enclosed copy of letter which we are sending to-day to Mr. Healy, we never received the forms which he tells us were sent, and we think it probable that if these forms were issued at all (as he assures us was the case) they would be sent on to you for transmission to us. We shall be much obliged if you will kindly look into the matter and see whether you have any trace of receiving and redespaching the forms, and we shall be glad also if you would give us any suggestion which would assist us in establishing our just claim.

We admit that our claim should not have remained so long outstanding without further reminders from us, but our clerical staff consists almost entirely of women clerks, who are many of them quite new to the work, and since our claim on you we



To Mr. R. J. Kidney.

25. 6. 17.

have unfortunately had our Offices wrecked by an Explosion which occurred in this district in January, and an important building in our factory destroyed by fire. It would seem to us that we have had our full share of the War losses without being deprived of payment of this loss in Dublin owing apparently to the miscarriage in post of forms which were "issued" either to you or to us.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN KNIGHT LIMITED.

*J. J. Darnell*

Director.



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27th June, 1917.

Claim No. 7142.

Dear Sirs,

In reply to your letter of the 25th instant, the forms referred to were sent direct. As explained in my former letters I am unable now to take any action regarding your claim, but should you think well of it, you might send a copy of the correspondence to the Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, and ask that if possible the matter be considered with a view to compensation being awarded for the loss sustained.

Yours faithfully,

Messrs. John Knight, Ltd.,  
4 Lloyds Avenue,  
London, E.C.



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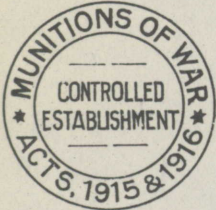
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25th June, 1917.

J. J. Healy, Esq.,  
Property Losses (Ireland) Committee, 1916,  
DUBLIN.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 2nd ult.  
re Claim No. 7142, we are sorry that our claim was not followed up  
earlier, but we certainly never received the Form of Declaration  
and the other form, which we understand you sent with it on the  
18th July, 1916. Your letter does not state anything beyond the  
fact that these forms were issued, and we shall be glad if you can  
tell us if they were issued through Mr. W. J. Kidney, the Secretary  
of the Dublin Fire & Property Losses Association 1916, through whom  
our claim was forwarded to you.

In any case, it is so obviously unjust  
that we should bear the loss of these goods simply because we  
never received the required forms which you issued, that we shall  
be glad if you will put this matter before the proper financial  
authorities, in order that a satisfactory settlement may be arrived  
at.



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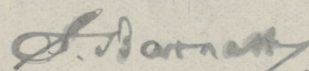
CONTINUATION SHEET NO. 1.

To J. J. Healy, Esq.

25. 6. 1917.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN KNIGHT LIMITED.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. J. Healy", written over the typed name "J. J. Healy".

Director.

ROYCROFT BOND



2nd May,

/7.

re Claim No. 7142.

Dear Sirs,

Referring to your further letter of the 30th ultimo, the claim in this case was duly received by the Property Losses Committee on the 18th July, 1916, and immediately afterwards two of the Committee's forms including a Form of Declaration, which it was essential should be completed before the case could be dealt with, were issued.

There were many instances in which notice of claims was received but the forms were never filled up as the property supposed to have been lost subsequently turned up.

In others where a misunderstanding as to the necessity of completing a form existed the position was made clear on receipt of an inquiry on the subject of the claim.

Payment of the claims arising out of the disturbances has been in progress since July 1916, and it is unfortunate that no inquiry regarding the apparent delay in dealing with your claim was received till the 26th ultimo, three weeks after the Committee had ceased to exist. As there is no Committee the matter cannot unfortunately be taken up now.

Messrs. John Knight, Ltd.,  
4 Lloyds Avenue,  
London, E.C.



I can only suggest that if the property lost was insured against loss arising out of civil commotion or War Risks a claim should be made against the Insurance Company.

Yours faithfully,

*mg*

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30th April 1917.

DG/WT  
RC/L-120



J.J.Healy, Esq.,  
Secretary to the Government Commission,  
DUBLIN.

Dear Sir,

re CLAIM No.7142.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 26th inst., in regard to a claim we made in respect to a consignment of soap sent forward to Messrs.The Junior Army and Navy Stores, Ltd. Dublin, and in reply would say that the claim was duly placed with Mr.R.J.Kidney of Messrs.The Dublin Fire & Property Losses Association 1916, on the 14th July, and we were advised by the Secretary of this Association that the claim was passed along to you on the 17th July.

We have no trace whatever of having received any prescribed forms in connection with this matter, and would further add that if same had been received by us they would have been immediately completed and returned.

In view of the foregoing, we must express the hope that you will take the necessary steps to have our claim favourably considered.

Yours faithfully,

for JOHN KNIGHT LIMITED.



26th April, /7.

re Claim No. 7142.

Dear Sirs,

In reply to your letter of the 24th instant, I beg to say that as the prescribed forms of claim issued in this case were not filled up and returned to the Property Losses Committee, no action was taken in the matter. As the Committee sent its final report to the Government a few weeks since and is no longer in existence it is regretted that nothing can now be done regarding the claim.

Yours faithfully,

Messrs. Knight, Ltd.,  
4 Lloyds Avenue,  
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16.

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24th April 1917.

DG/WT  
RC/L-120



James J. Healy, Esq.,  
Secretary to the Government Commission,  
DUBLIN.

Dear Sir,

We are advised by the Secretary of the Dublin Fire and Property Loss Association (1916) that on the 17th July he passed along our claim in respect to a consignment of soap we sent forward to Messrs. The Junion Army and Navy Stores Ltd. Dublin and which was lost in the riot.

As this matter has now been in abeyance for such a considerable period we should be much obliged if you would give us some idea as to when we may expect a settlement.

Yours faithfully,

for JOHN KNIGHT LIMITED.

*Jh.*



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14th July 1916.

DG/WT



Mr. R. J. Kidney,  
Messrs. The Dublin Fire & Property  
Losses Association 1916,  
DUBLIN.

Dear Sir,

We received a letter from Messrs. The British & Irish Steam Packet Co. Ltd. advising us that three cases of soap consigned by us, suffered in the recent rebellion in Ireland, which soap we learn from our customers - Messrs. The Junior Army and Navy Stores, Ltd., Dublin - was part of a consignment we despatched via North Quay on the 7th April.

In accordance with a request made by the shippers; we take the pleasure of enclosing our claim, which we should be pleased to see settled at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

for JOHN KNIGHT LIMITED.

*No entry in Register of marks  
of claim from above firm.*

*rec.  
5/1/17.*



Messrs. The Dublin Fire & Property  
Losses Association 1916,  
DUBLIN.



BY WARRANT OF APPOINTMENT TO  
HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE V.

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TELEPHONE NO  
2504 AVENUE 2 LINES.

CITY OFFICES  
4. LLOYDS AVENUE, E.C.

GLASGOW OFFICE:  
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7th Aprillast, consigned to:-

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(See letter herewith)

£6 1 6d.

*Handwritten signature*