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4 Whitworth Place,
Drumcondra Road,
Dublin.

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Dear Sir:-

In reply to your favor dated 1st instant, May I, in the first instance, beg to thank you and through you our kind benefactors the American Committee for Relief in Ireland, for their generous Loan.

Our home at 25 Patrick Street, Cork, was completely destroyed on the night of the 10th/11th December, 1920, by, as is since known and published, British Crown Forces; - my husband, baby and self getting away under a hail of bullets to seek shelter where we might get it.

The complete destruction of our furniture and everything that a home contains, personal property and foodstuffs, placed us in a pitiable position, and to add thereto, it threw another member of the family out of employment and on to our burden.

We had to secure furnished lodgings, at far less comfort and treble expense, and also to make good outward appearances, certainly not being able to provide the proper bodily comfort.

This Loan of £100, which I might state here was out only loan from the White Cross, went to pay up the extra expense incurred in furnished lodgings, which in a year comes to a considerable amount; to secure the necessary clothing, and pay up items overdue on these, and also to provide such articles of cooking utensils, and baby comforts, and bedding, as ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ far as it could go; but unfortunately it could not go far enough to buy the necessary furniture for a house which would thus rid us of the high rent of furnished lodgings and place us in a more comfortable position by enabling us to live within our weekly wage income, - to say nothing of the health of myself and child confined to too small a space.

Again thanking you most sincerely for your kind benefaction, and also each and every kind sympathiser who subscribed to the Loan.

I am, dear Sir,
Yours respectfully,

Una Martin (Mrs.)

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