

Tourmakeady.

Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo.

17th January 1922.

Dear Sir,

As Chairman of the Tourmakeady Branch of the Irish White Cross I feel that I am under the deepest obligations to acknowledge the great help we have received from the Reconstruction Commission of the Irish White Cross. The Society (Tourmakeady Co-operative) are the recipients of a loan kindly made by the Above Commission to repair the premises maliciously ~~destroyed~~ destroyed by the British Crown Forces.

On May 3rd, 1921 an ambush of Crown Forces took place in Tourmakeady, Co. Mayo. About a quarter of a mile from the place of ambush stood the premises of the Co-operative stores. On the same evening these premises were toally destroyed by the Forces of the Crown. The Society which controlled these premises was entirely non-political. Yet it was their property that the British Crown Forces in their mad fury destroyed.

We have now received from the Reconstruction Commission of the Irish White Cross the loan of £2400 to partially help in building up the destroyed premises.

Prior to the time the loan was made the White Cross helped the Manager of the Stores by granting him £1-4-0 per week.

J. Heaney, C.C.