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Lisheenacannina.

January 22nd 1922.

Dear Sir,

I wish to give you a detail of the manner in which my premises were destroyed on the 10th day of November. Crown Forces came in lorries firing shots along the roads, we got so terror-stricken that we fled from our home. We were only one field away when our home was ablaze. We could not return until they were gone, when we came back there was nothing left but the four walls everything we had was in ashes, we had neither food, nor clothes nor shelter.

I received no assistance from the White Cross or from any place, but 275 from the loan and that would not free the expenditure of the temporary shelter I had to fix up for ourselves. I heard some people got money outside the loan, but I got none and can prove that I did not. I am a farmer and have to live in a room 14-ft by 15-ft. covered with corrugated iron. I had to suspend most of my business as I had no room nor means to carry it on, and had to buy clothes, food, and beds, and everything wanted in a bare wreck.

I had no photo of my home taken; there are no photographers in our district, there are only very few in country places, but if it is necessary ~~xxx~~ I will oblige you to ask some one to take it now.

With kind regards to you.

I remain,
Sincerely yours,
(sd) Jerry D. Meara.
Lisheenacannina.

To/ C. J. France, Esq.
