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FORM FOR ASSEMBLY AND PROCEEDINGS OF FIELD GENERAL COURT MARTIAL ON ACTIVE SERVICE

PROCEEDINGS.

*State the place & country.

At* Dublin this *15th* day of May, 1916

A. Order convening the Court.

Whereas it appears to me, the undersigned, the Officer in Command of the Forces in Ireland, and a competent Military Authority under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, that the persons named in the annexed Schedule have committed the offences in the said Schedule mentioned.

Omit except where convening Officer is not a Commanding Officer, and is below rank of Field Officer.

And I am of opinion that it is not practicable that such offences should be tried by an ordinary General Court Martial, nor is the offence one of a minor character.

I hereby convene a Field General Court Martial to try the said persons, and to consist of the Officers hereunder named.

PRESIDENT.

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>Regiment.</u>
<i>Brig Genl.</i>	<i>C. G. Blackader D.S.O. A.D.C.</i>	

MEMBERS.

<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>Regiment.</u>
<i>Lt Col.</i>	<i>G. German</i>	<i>5th Leinster Regt. (T)</i>
<i>Lt Col.</i>	<i>W. J. Kent.</i>	<i>R.F.A. (T)</i>

Lt. Genl. Maxwell

Signed _____

General,
Commanding the Forces in Ireland.
Convening Officer.

Sheet No. 2.
SCHEDULE.
1916.

Date 1st May

No. 31

Name of Alleged Offender	Offence charged	Plea	Finding, and if Convicted, sentence (b)	How dealt with by Commanding Officer.
<p>Not more than six names to be entered on one form</p> <p>31/ Thomas J Clarke</p>	<p>Did an act to wit did take part in an armed rebellion and in the waging of war against His Majesty the King, such act being of such a nature as to be calculated to be prejudicial to the Defence of the Realm and being done with the intention and for the purpose of assisting the enemy.</p>	<p>Not Guilty</p>	<p>Guilty. Death by being shot.</p>	<p>Confiscated. General Governor Troops in Ireland.</p>

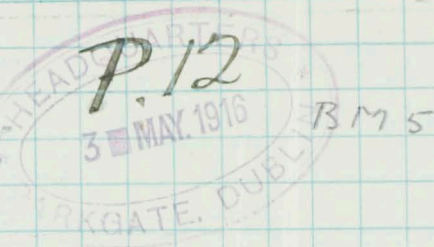
- (a) If the name of the person charged is unknown, he may be described as unknown, with such additions as will identify him.
- (b) Recommendation to mercy to be inserted in this column.

L. G. Maxwell General. *C. S. L. O'Connell* Brigadier General
 Convening Officer. President.

Promulgated by me this 1st day of May 1916
 (Signed)



Secret



Headquarters
Sg^r Dunsin

A The following information is forwarded with
reference to my Bm 3 d. 3-5-16.

The three names are:-

1. P. H. PEARSE
2. THOMAS MACDONOUGH
3. THOMAS J CLARKE

B It is thought that the M.O who certified death
was CAPT LYNCH R.A.M.C.

C Position in graves is shown on attached
Tracing taken from OS map 6" Sheet 18
DUBLIN. and enlarged to about 4 times.

No 1 is at North end of grave

2 next

3 next

Arthur N. Lee
Capt

Royal Hospital
KILMAINHAM

My address

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message _____

Prefix..... Code m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.

Words _____ Charge _____

This message is on a/c of:

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By.....

(Signature of "Franking Officer.")

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* Sender's Number

Day of Month

In reply to Number

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From

Place

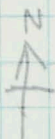
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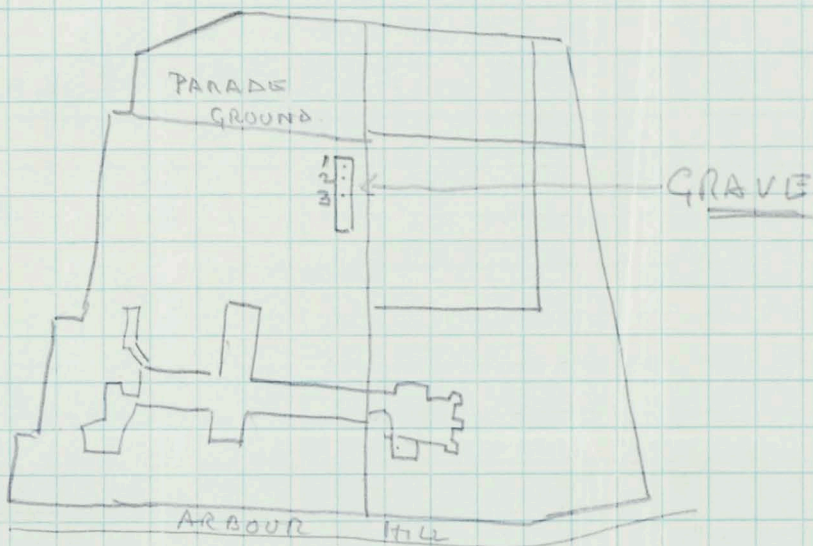
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Arthur White

Capt

13 de May

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a. a. g.

59th Division
Subline

I beg to report that the sentence
on the following man was carried
out by 4-15 am this morning as ordered

P. H. PEARSE.

THOMAS MACDONAGH

THOMAS J. CLARKE.

W. W. Rhodes Major
A.P.M.

Town Hall, Kington.

3-5-16.

Tb 45/16

Subj - Sein Feinn Insurrection.

SECRET.

D.G.C.R. No. 45/16.

The General Officer Commanding Troops,
City of Dublin Area.

Forwarded.

H. J. Bernard

Lr. Castle Yard,
Dublin.
3. 5. 1916.

Colonel,
Commanding Troops, Dublin Castle.

SECRET



Secret

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A.D.M.S.
Dublin District

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This is to certify that I was present at the Execution of the Prisoners enumerated below, which took place at Kilmainham ~~and~~ Jail on morning of 3/5/19, and that the Prisoners were dead before the Commandant disposed of the bodies.

P.H. Pearse.

Thomas MacDonagh

Thomas Clarke

H. Stanley

Capt R.A.M.C.

Red Cross Hospital
Dublin Castle
3/5/19

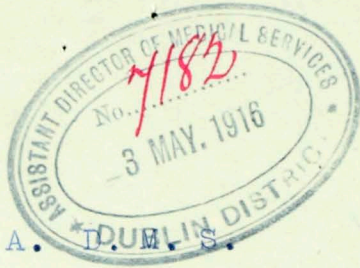
*G. O. C. Troop's
Dublin*

Commanded

DUBLIN CASTLE,
3 - MAY 1916

W. Macnamara

LT. COLONEL, R.A.M.C.
A.D.M.S. DUBLIN DISTRICT.



Secret

Dublin District.

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Thomas MacDonagh

Thomas Clarke

(Sd)

H. V. Stanley,

Capt. R.A.M.C.

Red Cross Hospital
Dublin Castle
3/5/19

*G. O. Troops
Dublin*

Forwarded

DUBLIN CASTLE.
3-MAY 1916

W. M. ...

LT. COLONEL, R.A.M.C.
A.D.M.S. DUBLIN DISTRICT.

Secret

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Headquarters,
Irish Command.

With reference to your No. P 1, dated 2nd May, on the subject of Execution of Rebel Prisoners - I have to report that the following prisoners were duly executed :-

P.H.Pearse.
Thomas MacDonah.
Thomas Clarke.

Enclosed are the proceedings of the Court in the case of the above mentioned deceased prisoners, and also in the case of E.T.Duggan, P.Beazeley, J Magennis - the sentence of the Court was promulgated to the person concerned in each case as stated on the proceedings.

Also enclosed are (1) Certificates of death by the Medical Officer. (2) Certificate of Execution by the A.P.M. (3) Sketch of the position of the graves.

A. E. Sandbach.

DUBLIN.
3.5.16.

Major-General.
Cmdg. 59th Division.

A. A. G.,

59th Division,

Dublin.

I beg to report that the sentence on the following men was carried out by 4-15 a.m. this morning as ordered:-

P. H. PEARSE

THOMAS MACDONAGH

THOMAS J. CLARKE.

Town Hall, Kingstown.
3/5/16.

(Sd.) W. W. Rhodes, Major,
A. P. M.

J

Trial of Thomas & Clarke
 Prosecution.

1st witness Sgt Lieut S.L. King 12th Ennis Killen
 Fusiliers being duly sworn etc.

Between 10 and 11 A.M. Thursday 25 April 1916
 I was in Sackville St. 2 men rushed across from
the direction of the Post Office, and took me
prisoner taking me into the main entrance of the
 Post office. While I was detained there I often
saw the prisoner. He appeared to be a person
in authority although he was not in uniform.
 Some of the men obtained a key from him at
 different times and some wore uniform. I
 have no doubt that he was one of the rebels.

xx^d of the accused. Whilst I was in the
 Post office I was very well treated.

The prosecution closed.

The accused does not call any witnesses
 and makes no statement:

Cps Lachlan Dug James
 President.

Evidence and Charge Sheets to be pinned here.

I certify that the above Court assembled on the 2nd day of May 1916 and duly tried the persons named in the said Schedule, and that the plea, finding, and sentence in the case of each such person were as stated in the third and fourth columns of that Schedule.

B. Certificate of President as to proceedings.

Omit if not applicable.

I also certify that

- 1. The members of the Court.
- (2. The witnesses)
- (3. ~~The interpreter~~) *Gm.*

were duly sworn.

Signed this 2nd day of May 1916

G. S. ...

President of the Court Martial.

I have dealt with the findings and sentences in the manner stated in the last column of the said Schedule, and, subject to what I have there stated, I hereby confirm the above findings and sentences.

C. Confirmation.

To be omitted unless the Confirming Officer desires that the sentence should be suspended.*

(I direct that the soldier named in the margin be not committed to prison until further orders).

Signed this 2 day of May 1916

Promulgation to be entered here.

X Promulgated by me this second day of May 1916
W. R. ... Lt Colonel 90th ...

Sheet No. 4.

I have dealt with the reserved findings and sentences in the manner stated in the last column of the Schedule, and, subject to what I have there stated, I hereby confirm the said reserved findings and sentences.

D.
Confirmation of reserved sentences.

Signed this day of 19 .

General (Field) Officer in the Force.

Subject to what I have stated in the last column of the Schedule, I hereby confirm the (finding and) sentence of death in the case of

E.
Confirmation of sentence of death or penal servitude

Thomas J. Clarke

and of

~~penal servitude in the case of~~

*Omit (and in the case of the above sentences of death I where confirmed by an of opinion that by reason of \pm) Officer in Chief Command.

it is not practicable, having due regard to the public

\pm State according to the circumstances, the nature of the country or the great distance of the operations of the enemy. service, to delay the case for confirmation by any qualified Officer superior to myself.)

Signed this

2 day of *May* 1916.

L. G. Maxwell

General (Field Officer) in Chief Command of the Forces.

A.G. to see

27/5/16

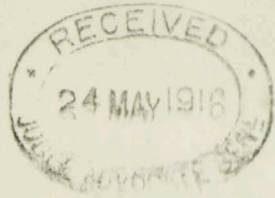
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~~AG~~ To Capt: E.C. Clay
War Office

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END



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Field General, C.M.

Civilian

Thomas J. Clarke

(31)

Dublin

1st May, 1916.