

2ND (MEATH) BRIGADE 1ST EASTERN DIVISION.

Date SEPTEMBER 1920 Engagement TRIM. Townland \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of Engagement ATTACK ON R.I.C. BARRACKS.

I.R.A.	Enemy.	I.R.A. Engaged.	Unit.	
			Batt.	Company.
No. Engaged	Military _____	michael Hynes Giles		Trim
(a) Actively <u>36.</u>	Tans _____	Patch. Murney.		}
(b) Scouting, etc. _____	R.I.C. _____	John Henby.		
TOTAL:	No. engaged <u>20.</u>	Matt. Matthews.		
Arms.	How armed	Patch. Dwyer.		
Rifles _____	<u>rifles etc.</u>	Wm. Sherry.		
Shotguns _____	Transport.	Joe. "Doygett.		
Revolvers _____	Shots Fired.	ml. Sherry.		
Bombs _____	Casualties.	John no "Can.		
Shots fired <u>one.</u>	<u>none.</u>	Patch. Fay.		
Casualties <u>none</u>	<u>one wounded</u>	John Higgins. <u>deid</u>		
Names and nature of casualties _____		Joe. Kelly.		
Initial attack by <u>I.R.A.</u>		Patch. Proctor		
Duration <u>from 8am.</u>		Henry O'Hagan		
Distance between parties _____		Patch. Lawlor		
		" O'Hagan.		
		" Giles.		
		Joseph Lawlor.		
		Chas. Cuffey. <u>deid.</u>	Bective	
		Joe. Quinn. "	"	
		ml. Broady.	"	
		Frank Loughran	"	
		John Boice	"	
		Patch. Quinn.	"	
		Stephen Sherry.	Dunderry	
		Chas. McEvoy.		
		Patch. Corrigan		
		Joseph Kelly.		
		Patch. O'Hara.		
		Joe. Giles.		
		Thos. Fagan.		
Terrain. <u>See sketch with original account.</u>				
Position of I.R.A. <u>Approaching the barracks under cover from rear.</u>				
Position of enemy. <u>In bed in barracks. One or two on the alert.</u>				
REMARKS. <u>Having ensured that some of the enemy were gone to mass a party of I.R.A. under Comd. Hynes went through the open back door of the barracks, held up an orderly who surrendered; shot &amp; wounded an enemy who was about to give a warning to his comrades; captured the remaining enemy without a fight; captured 36 carbines, 40 shot. guns, 12 revolvers, 3 dozen bombs, and 20,000 rds. of rifle &amp; revolver ammunition; and finally burned the barracks which was destroyed.</u>				

# Attack on Trim R.I.B. Barracks Bounty Heath

September 1920

Trim R.I.B. Barracks was originally a Military Barracks surrounded by a wall 12 ft. high except in one place where it was taken down to about 6 ft. with a small entrance gate leading to the Davi Green.

Comdt. Michael Hynes was in charge of the attack on this barracks which took place on a Sunday morning in September 1920, at 8 am.

I mobilised 3 sections of 12 men each on Saturday night in the Hall used by the Volunteers at that time for drill purposes. I kept them there until daylight in the morning as this hall was in the centre of the town. At daylight I took them across the fields & got them to the back of the Barracks & kept them under cover until 8oc. I had 2 scouts out to see if any of the R.I.B. men went to Mass & when I got the report that some of them had gone to Mass, I moved into position to get in across the wall with no. 1 section. When I got across the wall I went to the back door, which I found open. We rushed in & held up the Barrack orderly who surrendered. We then noticed that the Head Constable (white) was rushing up the stairs in the direction of the ordnance stores. He refused to halt when called on, & was fired on & wounded but not fatally. We put all under arrest as some of the R.I.B. were still in bed.

We then took them out to the yard & placed a guard over them. The number of R.I.B. in the barracks was 20 including some tans. We then proceeded to remove all the stuff which included 36 carbines, 40 shot guns, 12 revolvers & 3 dozen Bombs. We also removed about 20,000 rounds of rifle & revolver ammunition.

When we had all the stuff removed by motor, we set fire to the barracks, which was destroyed. P.F.O

TRIM BARRACKS

The following is the list of names of those who took part in the attack :- (2 of the 36 men were sent to cut telegraph wires.)

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|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Michael Hynes    | Patrick Duggan  | Michael Brady    | Stephen Sherry          | Joe Kelly (deceased) |
| Michael Giles    | William Sherry  | Patrick Corrigan | Patrick O'Hagan         | Joe Breen (deceased) |
| Patrick Giles    | Thomas Sherry   | Francis Laughran | Joseph Lawler           |                      |
| Patrick Mooney   | James Sherry    | Patrick Jay      | Patrick Lawler          |                      |
| Patrick Quinn    | Michael Duggett | Joseph Kelly     | Henry O'Hagan           |                      |
| John Healy       | Luke Sherry     | Lawrence Giles   | Patrick Proctor         |                      |
| Matthew Matthews | Joseph Nolan    | Thos. Fagan      | Patrick O'Hara          |                      |
|                  | Ch. McEvoy      | John Brien       | John Higgins (deceased) |                      |
|                  |                 |                  | Ch. Raffrey (deceased)  |                      |

