

The Irish Army Pensions Board



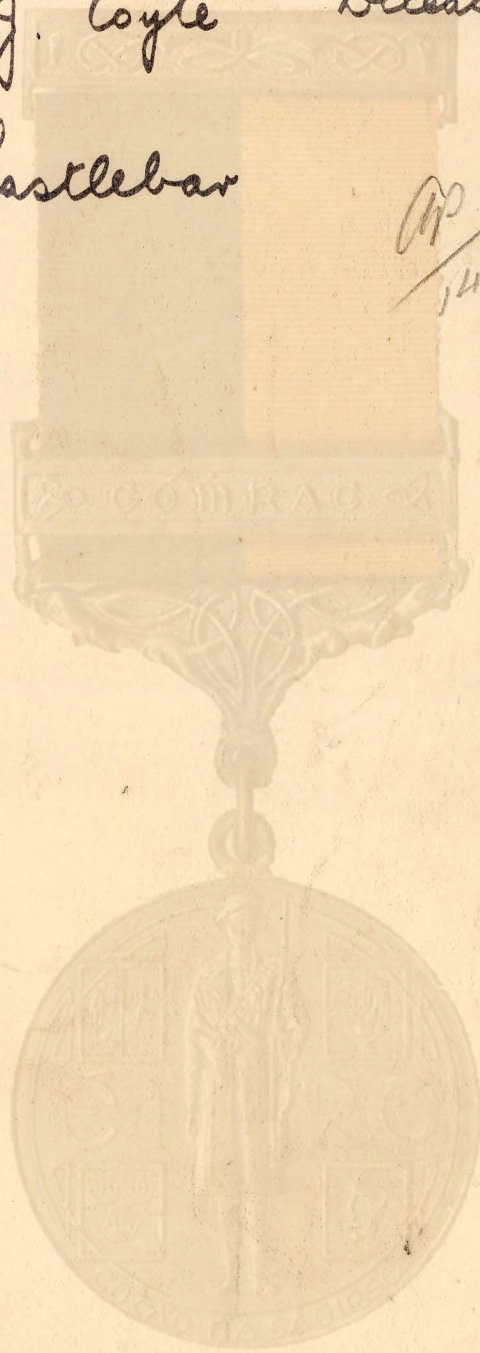
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# Military Archives

Private P. J. Coyle Deceased

Battlebar

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Our Reference.....EM/267

# Military Archives

Quartermaster General's Dept.,  
General Headquarters,  
Rooms, 31-33,  
Infirmary Road,

DUBLIN .....1st June 1923

Claims Officer,  
Claremorris.

With reference to your C.O.241 of 19th.instant,  
I wish to inform you that the Claims for Dependents Allowance  
in the case of Patrick Coyle was passed for payment at 14/-  
per week and payments amounting to £29: 8: 0 made, which clear  
all arrears to 26th.ultimo. Fortnightly payments of 28/-  
shall be made, pending the setting up of the Pensions Board.

*Quinn Moran*

-----COLONEL.  
A.Q.M.G.(3)

Chief Pay & Accounts Officer.

SmacE/SniM.

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Dept. Claims.  
Ref. C.O./241.  
Your Ref. E.M.267.

Headquarters,  
Claremorris Command,  
Claremorris.  
26th May, 1923

To;  
A Q.M.G. (3),  
Rooms 31-33,  
Infirmary Rd.,  
Dublin.

Re-Compensation-P. J. Coyle, Deceased.

In reply to yours of the 24th inst. re  
above, the following is the address of Pte. Coyle, No.24342,  
Castlebar Garrison:-

Conloon, Ross, Castlebar.

Your instructions regarding claims of this  
class shall be carried out by me.

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Claims Officer.

EEC.



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Quartermaster General's Dept.,  
General Headquarters,  
Rooms, 31-33,  
Infirmary Road,

DUBLIN.....24th May 1923

Claims Officer,  
Castlebar.

I am in receipt of C.O/241 of the 19th instant, re compensation for the death of P.J.Coyle. I am having enquiries made regarding Dependents' Allowance, but would point out to you that great difficulty is experienced in tracing claims where the home address of the soldier is not stated. Will you let me have Coyle's address at your earliest convenience.

All claims of this nature are for the present to be forwarded here with a view to adjusting Dependents' Allowance, as no provision has, so far, been made to grant compensation in such cases.

*Eamon Moran*

Colonel.

A.Q.M.G.(3)

*J.B.L.*  
Chief Pay & Accounts Officer.

SmacE/SniM.

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Dept. Claims.  
Ref. C.O./241.

Headquarters,  
Claremorris Command,  
Claremorris.  
19th May, 1923.

No. 24342

Attested 25 May '23

To;  
A.Q.M.G. (3).  
G. H. Q.,  
Infirmary Rd.,  
Dublin.

Conlon Ross

Castlebar

Re-Compensation-P. J. Coyle, deceased.

Enclosed please find copy # of letter from J. C. Garvey, L.L.B., Solicitor, Castlebar with reference to claim for compensation in respect of the above-deceased. Enclosed also copy of finding of Court of Inquiry held on the matter.

Will compensation be paid in cases such as this, or should the matter be referred to the Pay Officer with a view to having dependents' allowance paid?

I have received a few claims of this description and would ask you to let me know what action I am to take regarding them.

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Claims Officer.

EMG.

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J. C. GARVEY, L.L.B.  
SOLICITOR.

TELEGRAMS, "GARVEY, CASTLEBAR."

CASTLEBAR,

Co. MAYO.

14th May 19<sup>23</sup>.

Dear Sir, Re Patrick Joseph Coyle Deceased

On the 17th March Pvt. Coyle was shot dead in Ellison Street Castlebar just outside the Military Barracks.

There is no real evidence as to who fired the shot but it is generally admitted, that having regard to the nature and the position of the wound, which caused death, that the man was shot by one of his comrades accidentally.

His father is a Farmer of a very humble condition in life and the deceased contributed the sum of 10/ per week out of his army pay to the support of the household. His loss is a most serious financial blow to his family and I beg to submit that his father should receive compensation.

I shall be much obliged by your dealing with the matter at th your early convenience.

The Deceased served in the National Army from the 29th May 1922 to 17th March 1923.

Yours faithfully,

General Hogan,  
Claremorris Headquarters,  
Claims Branch,  
Claremorris.

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DEPT:- G.O.C.

COMMAND HEADQUARTERS,

CLAREMORRIS COMMAND,

MY REF.NO. HC/405.

Claremorris. 17th May 1923.

TO/

CLAIMS OFFICER,  
CLAREMORRIS COMMAND.

FROM/

GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING.

The attached letter from J.C. Garvey,  
Solicitor Castlebar. Will you please deal with  
this matter immediately.

*M Ryan* *Major Genl* MAJOR GENERAL.  
GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING

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FINDING OF COURT OF ENQUIRY HELD AT CASTLEBAR ON 30th MARCH, 1923

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Finding of Court of Enquiry held at Castlebar Garrison on 30th March, 1923, to enquire into the circumstances attending the shooting accident at Castlebar on the 17th March, 1923.

The Court having heard the evidence of Comdt. O'Malley, Castlebar Garrison and Lieut. Corley, Castlebar Garrison find that Vol. Patrick Coyle, Castlebar Garrison died at Ellison St., Castlebar on the 17th March, 1923 as a result of a bullet wound, the bullet being fired by some person unknown. The Military at the time Vol. Coyle met his death were engaged in trying to disperse a hostile crowd in Ellison St., Castlebar. The Court find that the Military on the occasion in question were acting in discharge of their duty. The Court does not recommend that any disciplinary action be taken in the matter. No disciplinary action has been taken in the matter.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1923.

President.  
Members.

L. Duffy. Brigadier.  
M. McHugh, "  
W. Ashley Pritt, Captain.

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