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MANAGER
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10th Witness.

having been duly sworn is
examined by the Court and states:-
I am the manager of Croke Park, Football Ground.
On November 21st at about 3.15.p.m. a Football
Match was started at Croke Park. I was watching
the match from the commencement. I was on the
Grandstand on the Jones' Road side of the ground.
About 10 minutes after the start of the game an
aeroplane flew over the ground and returned on a
second occasion and then went in the direction of
Phoenix Park. A moment or two after that a man
came across the ground to where I was sitting and
told me that an armoured car was at the front gate.
I got up from where I was sitting and went to the
entrance gate leading into the side-line seats.
I left the gate open after me and went on to the
high bank facing and just inside of the main gate.
I was looking at the armoured car for a space of
four or five seconds, when firing commenced at the
canal end of the ground. I saw the driver of the
car. He was sitting in the car. As far as I
remember I could see his head and shoulders. I
don't remember how he was dressed. From what I
saw of the car I am not prepared to say whether it
was an armoured car or not. I went immediately
I heard the firing and took cover under the wall
by the entrance gate. When I first heard the shots
I could not see anybody firing. Firing continued,
and I remained lying on the ground. I saw police
come into the ground through the main gate. They
were not firing. After this the people were coll-
ected together and the police fired some shots up in

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Contd.

the air. The people were being searched at the time and it seemed to me that the police fired to prevent a rush towards the gate. I saw no one killed or injured on that part of the ground. All the people including myself, were searched as we left the ground. I went outside the ground and remained outside for about half an hour. I then returned and informed one of the police outside that I resided on the ground. He told me that I would have to see the officers on the gate. I then went to the officer and told him that I had been searched and that I wanted to get back to the ground, as I lived there. He told me that if I had been searched I could pass on, and the men inside passed me into the house. My house is just inside the canal entrance gate. I saw one body lying on the ground, in the North East Corner of the ground. Most of the casualties appeared to have occurred on the East and South sides of the ground.

The Court then inspect Croke Park Football Ground, a rough sketch of which is attached to the proceedings marked "G"