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**Identity.**

Quartermaster Irish Citizen Army  
1916.

**Subject.**

The Book entitled  
"History of the Irish Citizen Army"  
by R.M. Fox.

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I was one of the members of the committee of the Citizen Army (Old Comrades) Organisation who supplied information to Mr. R.M. Fox for inclusion in his "History of the Irish Citizen Army", which was subsequently published in 1943.

Before the book was published, the proofs were read and agreed to by a committee of those who had contributed material, including myself. The committee, which was under the Chairmanship of Mr. John Hanratty, met on many occasions.

There were full discussions, as some of the members were not satisfied that certain parts of the book represented the facts as they knew them, and many changes were made in the proofs before they were finally agreed to by the committee.

In so far as it relates to matters within my personal knowledge, I regard the book as an accurate record of the activities of the Irish Citizen Army during the period, 1913-1921.

SIGNED: Seamus McGowan

DATE: 26th June 1951

WITNESS: J. Kearns Comdt.