

## The Curragh Mutiny in Context Friday 21 March 2014



Watertower Curragh Camp circa 1910

## **Ceannt Barracks Officers Mess, Curragh Camp**

Sir Richard Aikens (Court of Appeal of England and Wales), Professor Thomas Bartlett (University of Aberdeen), Professor Ian Beckett (University of Kent), Barry Bowman (Bowman & Co., Solicitors), Dr Timothy Bowman (University of Kent), Dr Anne Dolan (Trinity College Dublin), Professor Ronan Fanning (University College Dublin), Professor Keith Jeffery (Queens University Belfast), Mr Justice Ronan Keane (Chief Justice of Ireland, 2000-2004), Professor Eoin O'Dell (Trinity College Dublin), Mr Justice Donal O'Donnell (Supreme Court of Ireland); Professor Eunan O'Halpin (Trinity College Dublin), Mark Seaman (Historian, Cabinet Office), and Roger Sweetman SC.

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## DRAFT PROGRAMME

9.30: Conference Opening

**9.45-11.00** Crisis in the making (Chair: Dr Anne Dolan)

Eunan O'Halpin Dublin Castle and the Curragh Crisis

Tom Bartlett The Army and Ireland since 1801

Ronan Fanning The Government and Ireland, 1911-14

11.00-11.15 Coffee

11.15 – 12.30 Events and Outcomes (Chair: Mark Seaman)

Ian Beckett Armed Services, Government and Crown in 1914

Tim Bowman Ulster Unionists and the Army

Keith Jeffery Sir Henry Wilson and the defence of Ulster

12.30- 1.15 Lunch

1.15 – 2.15 Visit to the Curragh Camp Museum

2.15-3.15 Legal and Constitutional Issues

(Sir Richard Aikens, Mr Justice Ronan Keane and Mr

Justice Donal O'Donnell presiding)

Barry Bowman The framework of military law in 1914

Eoin O'Dell Was there a mutiny or any other breach of the law- 1 Roger Sweetman Was there a mutiny or any other breach of the law- 2

3.15-3.30 Coffee

3.30-5.00 Judges' views; general discussion

5.00 Conference Closes

5-6.30 Reception