

20. Once outside, I heard a lot of catcalling from a number of groups who appeared to be positioned all across the junction. It was clear to me that they were opposing groups of loyalists and nationalists. The loyalists I would have estimated to be in the region of 30 to 50 and nationalists 10 to 12. The factions appeared to be agitated and confronting each other in an aggressive manner, assailing each other with sectarian insults which quickly escalated into physical confrontations across the width of the road.
21. Once I had successfully extricated Constable Neill from his assailant, I followed my colleague across the road towards Eastwoods shop as we had both witnessed a male, whom we believed was a nationalist, under attack from 4 or 5 loyalists. Constable Neill, with my assistance, was able to separate this male from his attackers and I recall that we ran him across the road into the entrance of Woodhouse Street for his own safety. On turning around back towards the junction, I saw that fighting was still ongoing and we were being attacked with bottles. It was at this point that I saw two male persons lying on the roadway.
22. My recollection is that one of the males, who I later knew was Robert Hamill, was lying across the middle of the road parallel to premises then occupied by Eastwood Clothing which is situated at the corner of Market Street and Thomas Street. The other male who was prostrate, I now know to be Mr D . He was lying towards the middle of the road parallel to premises then known as "Number 7 Home Bakery" also situated at the mouth of this junction.
23. As I observed that both males appeared to be motionless and defenceless, my immediate concern was to protect them from any further assault. I am not in a position to say whether either male had been involved in fighting before they were felled or if they were the victims of unprovoked assaults. I witnessed some of the Protestant/loyalist faction surge towards the two bodies and it was with great difficulty, and with the assistance of Constable Neill, that we kept them back. I remember seeing broken glass close to the body of the late Mr Hamill which gave me reason to believe that he may have been struck with a bottle. I remember moving one person out of the loyalist faction as he was acting extremely aggressively and, with the assistance of Constable Neill, ran him across