Suggested dates for some entries in the Chief Constable's Register (Special Branch)

Dates (or ranges of dates indicated by x). For entries with a folio number this is given, otherwise folio numbers from earlier or later entries on the same page, separated by x (if no earlier/later entry, this is indicated by ?).

There are two dated entries on image 29, with dates [?]15 March and 1 February 1892, but there are no folio numbers at all on that image.

NB. The only entries seen for which the date didn't fit into this sequence were:

(1) on image 29 a dated entry with date 10 December 1888 in the section for 'Irish National League'. This was between folio numbers 366 and 372, which according to the sequence below would be expected to date from April or May 1890.

(2) on image 44 a dated entry with date 29 November 1887 in the section for 'Littlechild Ch Inspr'. Between folio numbers 510 and 520, together with another dated 18 November 1891, which does fit into the sequence.

(3) a redacted entry posted by Simon Wood ("alleged suspicious person (surgeon)") has reference 52983/2067 and is immediately preceded by one with folio number 334. According to the folio sequence the preceding entry would be c. November 1889, but according to R.J. Palmer's chronological list for 52983 this one would be July 1889.

Folio in Correspondence Register	Image	Description	Date
144	31	Irish Nat League meeting of Delegates & the Pope's Manifesto	After 20 April 1888 ? [2]
145	2	visit of H. M. the Queen to the Albert Hall	8 May 1888 [1]
147	31	Irish Office re address by Mr Balfour at Lammas-Hall	16 May 1888 [3]
190	47	Meagher John para. in Echo concerning his death	Week starting 15 September 1888 [4]
201	31	Irish Office departure of Mr Balfour for Wolverhampton	1 November 1888 [9]
205	31	Irish Office departure of Mr Balfour for Leeds	16 November 1888 [10]
210x217	2	Weekly reports 4 12/88	4 December 1888 [dated]
214	79	Wales Prince of visit of to Ealing to open Hall	15 December 1888 [11]
228x237	47	Melville Inspr proceeding to Middlesboro re visit of P of Wales	23 January 1889 [BNA various]
240	31	Irish Office departure of Mr Balfour for Stanway	14 February 1889 [13]
262	79	Wales Prince of two officers to accompany the, to Liverpool	28 March 1889 [15]
263	39	Le Caron Major Bristol Times & Mirror re interview with	1 April 1889 [14]
264	31	Irish Office departure of Mr Balfour for Birmingham	5 April 1889 [16]
262x285	79	Wales Prince of said to have wished to see Mr Parnell	16 April 1889 [dated]
307	31	Irish Natl League meeting of delegates to be held in London 14 Aug	before 14 August
308	79	Wales Prince of departure of to Homburg	13 August 1889 [Evening Standard, 14 August 1889]
342	20	Daily News Two men named Thomas Fitzgerald & Laurence Bellew charged with conspiring to prevent sale of cattle	20 December 1889 [Daily News (London) of that date]
364 364	79 53	Wales Prince of Departure of from Dover wired Monro J. Esq. CB denying Mr Labouchere's allegations	19 April 1890 [6] 19 April 1890 [12]
375x379	30	Irish National League Central branch of to be started	27 May 1890, 3 June 1890 [dated]
375x522	53	Monro J Esq CB directing careful watch on Mr Balfour	10 June 1890 [dated]
379x374	30	Irish National League change in the working of	1 July 1890 [dated]
379x398	30	Irish National Foresters mentioned in weekly reports	29 July 1890 [dated]
398x403	30	Irish National League Convention of to be held at Cork	15 July 1890 [dated]
?x443	55	[?]Minez General alleged Fenian	2 October 1890 [dated]
444	55	Michel Louise present at funeral of Madam Malenfant	21 February 1891 [5]
466x484	40	Lee Myles antecedents of Extracts 27.6.91	27 June 1891 [dated]

471	51	Melville Inspr report re visit of German Emperor	Began 4 July 1891 [Evening Standard, 1 July 1891] "
478	1	Anderson R Esqr giving directions to "Special" re visit of German Emp	
499	64	Mullett Joseph letter of in the National Press	7x12 September 1891 [8]
510x520	44	Littlechild Ch Inspr extract as to an alleged courageous act	18 November 1891 [dated]
521	52	Melville Inspr report as to Anarchist congress on 27 12/91	27 December 1891 [dated]
542x?	64	Mullaney J attending meeting of I. N. League at Forester's Hall	1 February 1892 [dated]
562	60	Mowbray C. W funeral of his wife	19 April 1892 [7]

Notes

[1] In its review of the musical highlights of 1888, Hazell's Annual Cyclopedia recorded that 'The Royal Albert Hall Choral Society, in May, gave a performance of (Arthur Sullivan's) The Golden Legend by command of the Queen, who was present, and Mr Barnby's force is henceforward to be called the Royal Choral Society.'

https://www.royalchoralsociety.co.uk/history.htm

Date from numerous reports at BNA.

[2] A Papal Rescript (20 April 1888) condemned the Plan and all clerical involvement in it as well as boycotting, followed in June by the Papal encyclical "Saepe Nos" that was addressed to all the Irish bishops. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Plan of Campaign

[3] Address by Mr Balfour to workers of Battersea Conservative Association at Lammas Hall, Battersea. Numerous reports at BNA.

[4] John Meagher found drowned in mysterious circumstances in Surrey Commercial Docks on 14 September 1888. Inquest Saturday 15 September. ... "his mysterious death has aroused considerable excitement in the docks and vicinity." [Greenwich and Deptford Observer, 21 September 1888]

[5] Remains of Madame Malenfant, the octogenarian heroine of the Commune, interred at Tooting Cemetery on Saturday afternoon. Some 50 persons present, almost all wearing the emblematic red flower. [Dundee Evening Telegraph, 24 February 1891]

[6] Saturday [19 April] Prince of Wales arrived at Dover from Calais and proceeded to Charing Cross by special train. [Dover Express, 25 April 1890]

[7] Remains of Mrs Mowbray, wife of Charles Wm Mowbray, who was arrested in London last Tuesday for publishing an article in the Commonweal inciting murder [etc] interred at Manor Park Cemetery on Saturday. [Sheffield Independent, 25 April 1892]

[8] Letter of Joseph J. Mullett reprinted from 'National Press'. [Cork Constitution, 14 September 1891] Printed elsewhere with date of writing 7 September 1891. [Freeman's Journal, 12 September 1891] [Mullett had been imprisoned for involvement in the Phoenix Park murders in 1882.]

[9] Mr Balfour expected in Wolverhampton today. [Leeds Mercury, 1 November 1888]

[10] Mr Balfour spoke in Leeds on Friday [16 November]. [Huddersfield Chronicle, 17 November 1888]

[11] Prince and Princess of Wales on Saturday [15 December] were in Ealing to open a set of public buildings containing the Victoria Hall. [London Evening Standard, 17 December 1888]

[12] On 8th March 1890 the Cheltenham Chronicle reported that Monro had an attack of influenza and been sent on a month's convalescent leave. In the House of Commons on 11th March 1890, Henry Labouchere [Liberal, Northampton] began his accusations of Inspector Jarvis being in Del Norte, Colorado, working on behalf of The Times.

The matter was passed to Anderson, who sent a note to Henry Matthews. He denied the accusation in the House of Commons on 17th March 1890. By 19th April 1890 Monro had recovered from his bout of influenza. On this date he wrote to The Times, denying the accusations. [from Simon Wood]

[13] Mr Balfour left London last evening on a short visit to Lord Elcho at Stanway, Gloucestershire. [Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 15 February 1889]

[14] Long transcript of Press Association interview with Le Caron. [Bristol Times and Mirror, 1 April 1889]

[15] Prince of Wales left London on 28 March 1889 to attend the races in Liverpool. To return to town on 30 March 1889. [Nottingham Evening Post, 29 March 1889]

[16] Balfour arrived unexpectedly last night and spoke at a meeting of the Conservative Division Council of Central Birmingham. [Glasgow Herald, 6 April 1889]