

'CC [Chief Commissioner] Please see. The information at A above should have come to me on 15-4-16' MN [Mathew Nathan].

'Under Secretary Submitted This file only reached me this morning. I was in office on Saturday up to 3pm'

'Mr Maguire

Can you say when this file was sent out on Saturday last?'

'Chief Comm [Chief Commissioner]

This file was dispatched at about 3o'clock [o'clock] on Saturday no delay occurred here'

'Under Secretary Submitted. These papers are sent up by me within a very short time each day after receipt'

'The Under Secretary

Submitted. As a rule the secret papers reach your office before 3 o'clock pm [o'clock] but occasionally this is not possible'.

Memorandum

C. Comm [Chief Commissioner]

I think it would have been more graceful of Mr Connolly [Principal Clerk] to have acknowledged that he or his Dept. [Department] was responsible for the delay.

At Mr Connolly's request I have been in the habit of sending up Secret papers addressed to him personally. This I understood was a convenience to him and expedited business. The present case shows that it is open to objection and I am now sending them in the usual officially addressed covers the outside one being marked 'immediate WAM 19-4-16.

A reply on the back states 'WAM Yes curtail the 'Special treatment'.