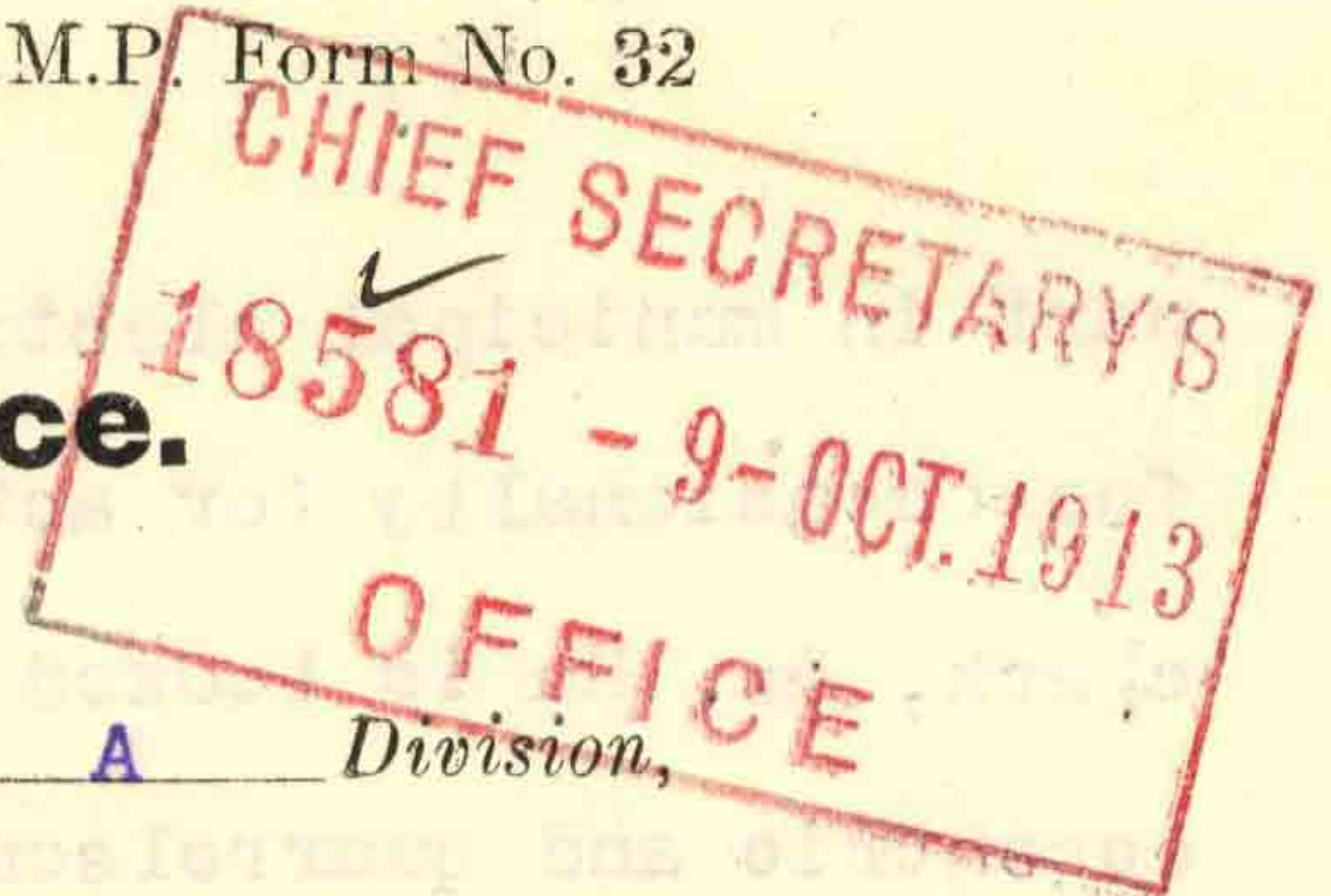




D.M.P. Form No. 32

Dublin Metropolitan Police.



Superintendent's Office, A Division,

8th October, 1913

Complaint from Mr P.W. Sheppard of being assaulted.

I beg to submit attached reports of Inspectors Lawler and Carey who were in charge of parties of Police on west side of Lower Sackville St at the time that Mr Sheppard alleges he was assaulted. I was in charge of this force, but was at the time engaged in arresting Larkin.

I had given instructions to the Police at Prince's St that organised bodies were not to be allowed under any circumstances to pass down that street, as the premises of the "Nation" and "Independent" newspapers situated therein were under Police protection and liable to attack from strikers.

There is no corroboration of the statements of Mr Sheppard, but he may have been repulsed when rushing down Prince's St.

He is about 60 years of age and said to be a native of Co. Wexford. He was formerly a publican at Monkstown, Co. Dublin, but failed in business about 11 years ago. He then came into the city and procured some small commercial agency. He takes a

The Chief Commissioner,

D.M. Police.

Under Secretary
This is the only
case, I know of, in which
a person has complained
of ill-treatment in
Sackville St. on the 31st
Aug. last. The facts
connected with that
incident are likely to
come out when Larkin
is tried for creating a
riot in Sackville Street.
John Henry Mundy
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part in municipal elections, and gets a fee occasionally for acting as polling clerk, &c. He is looked upon as somewhat eccentric and quarrelsome.

This is, so far as I am aware, the only complaint formally made by any member of the public against the Police of having been molested in Sackville St during the time of Larkin's arrest.

Members of all Divisions of the D.M.P. as well as several members of the R.I.C. were on duty in Lower Sackville St on the occasion. I saw their officers on the matter, they have made inquiries from the men under their charge, but did not succeed in obtaining any further information on the subject, or finding anyone who witnessed the incident.

Owing to pressure of work due to the strike and the completeness with which the matter has been investigated, the reports have been delayed somewhat.

L. W. Murphy
Superintendent.