

On the chronology of the Interrogation records

Book 1: At the outset of the interrogations, all three Commissioners are present: Supreme Judge Rosenstand, Judge Counsellor Sarauw and Police Chief Counsellor Forsberg. The keeper of the register is Dendtler. Throughout most of this “Book”, the interrogations are conducted by all three commissioners.(formerly known as book 5)

However, on the 11th of December 1878, they decide to divide the examinations of the individual between them, each focusing on certain gangs.

From this date onwards, interrogations are carried out by either Rosenstand, Sarauw or Forsberg alone (sometimes, however, by both Rosenstand and Sarauw). As each of the commissioner’s inquiries are collected in individual books, there are some overlaps in time. For this reason, the books containing interrogation records are not strictly chronological.

Book 2: (interrogations from the 21st of November 1878 until the 10th of February 1879). These interrogations are conducted by Sarauw (except for the very last notice, where Rosenstand is also present). The keeper of the register is William Didrichsen. (formerly known as book 1)

Book 3: (interrogations from the 12th of December 1878 until the 30th of December 1878). These interrogations are conducted by Forsberg. The keeper of the register is E. Christensen. (formerly known as book 2)

Book 4: is a couple of loose sheets from the 14th of December 1878 and the 22nd of December 1878. (formerly known as book 3)

Book 5: (interrogations from the 17th of June 1878 until the 29th of January, 1880. These interrogations are conducted by both Rosenstand and Sarauw (who, however, is more often than not, unable to attend). The keeper of the register is Dendtler. (formerly known as book 7)

Book 6: (interrogations from the 30th of December 1878 until the 16th of June 1879. These interrogations are conducted by Rosenstand. Keeper of the register is Dendtler. (formerly known as book 4)

Book 7: (interrogations from the 4th of April 1878 until the 15th of August 1880). These interrogations are conducted by Rosenstand and Sarauw. (formerly known as book 6)