

APPEAL FOR NEW TRIAL IN SNOWDEN CASE REFUSED

**His Attorneys Preparing To Carry The Case To
Court Of Appeals, Local Ministers
Will Help Raise Fund.**

GENERAL IMPRESSION THAT HE IS NOT GUILTY

**Feeling In Annapolis And Elsewhere That He Has
Been Made A Scapegoat In The Famous
Brandon Murder Case.**

Following the refusal of Judge Toucan to grant a new trial to John Snowden, recently convicted of the murder of the Brandon woman in Annapolis, Snowden's attorneys are preparing to take the case to the Court of Appeals. There is a general impression in Annapolis and elsewhere that Snowden is innocent, especially in view of the fact that the granting Third Degree to which he was subjected failed to force from him a confession of guilt. There is also a feeling that Snowden is being made the scapegoat in the case and that the murder was committed by some person or persons much more closely connected with the Brandon woman. The attorneys for the convicted man have also declared to have discovered new evidence that will materially affect the case.

Because of this feeling a number of ministers in this city have undertaken the task of raising sufficient funds to pay the expenses necessary to carry the case to the higher court. A meeting will be held at Allen A. M. E. Church, Lexington street near Carrollton avenue, to take under advisement ways and means to raise the money. Rev. C. H. Steptean, pastor of Allen Church, is chairman of the committee calling the meeting and Rev. M. J. Naylor, pastor of Sharp Street, M. E. Church, secretary.

It will be remembered that citizens of Annapolis raised over two hundred dollars to meet the expenses of the first trial, and their belief in the innocence of Snowden is so strong that it is expected they will help meet any indebtedness that may be incurred in securing for Snowden a fair chance to prove his innocence.