

WATCH SNOWDEN IN CELL

Police Secretly Observe Brandon Murder Suspect.

SLEUTHS IN ANNAPOLIS AGAIN

Local Detectives To Question Mrs. King There Tomorrow—Anonymous Letters Sent To Carter.

For two days John Snowden, alias "Scoops," the negro ice-wagon driver suspected of the murder of Mrs. Lottie May Brandon, who was found dead in her home on Second street, Annapolis, on August 8, has been under secret observation in a cell at the city jail. Reports received by Marshal Carter of Snowden's behavior in jail has strengthened the belief of the Marshal that Snowden knows more than he has told of the death of Mrs. Brandon.

Snowden has spent two almost sleepless nights in his cell, although he has been provided with a good cot and comforts not found in a police station. He eats sparingly and has been heard to mumble to himself. With overwhelming circumstances against him the police here have attempted to obtain from Snowden a true story of his movements during the hour in which Mrs. Brandon was killed.

Two men talked with Snowden yesterday along a line different from that pursued by the police and detectives. Marshal Carter refused to divulge what was learned as the result of the talks.

When a deputy sheriff from Anne Arundel county went to the jail yesterday to see Snowden the negro was sullen and refused to talk.

"Get ready, John, we are going to take you back to Annapolis," he was told.

"What you going to take me down there for?" excitedly asked the negro.

"Do you want to go?"

"I don't know."

For several minutes the negro walked about in his cell without making any effort to gather his personal belongings. The deputy sheriff then suddenly left and Snowden was left "guessing."

Detectives Pohler, Kratz and Dougherty were in Annapolis yesterday continuing their investigation. Mrs. Thomas A. King, a neighbor of the Brandons, who went to Colonial Beach, Va., several days ago, has promised to be in Annapolis tomorrow and will be questioned concerning her last talk with Mrs. Brandon.

Marshal Carter yesterday disposed of the stress laid on the fact that the blinds in the Brandon home were drawn when the body was found. The marshal said that he had been informed that it was Mrs. Brandon's custom to draw the blinds because the rear room of her home faced the east and was exposed to the sun during the morning hours.

Anticipated anonymous letters were received by the authorities yesterday. The contents of each letter were carefully read and given to the detectives to investigate.