

MORE LIGHT ON

THE KAIRER MURDER

Theodore Lambert Confesses That He Robbed the Baker's House.

He Says John Stevens, Who Was With Him, Fired the Fatal Shot

Prosecutor Jenkins Believes Lambert Is the Murderer—He Will Be Indicted To-day by the Grand Jury—Connected With Nearly Fifty Burglaries.

Prosecutor Jenkins, of Camden, has pumped a confession from Theodore Lambert, the colored burglar who is charged with murdering Cracker Baker William G. Kairer. The prisoner's statement was taken down by Court Stenographer Black, and will be read to the grand jury to-day. There is plenty of evidence outside of this statement to warrant an indictment against Lambert for the murder.

The Camden police claim to be able to connect Lambert with nearly fifty burglaries in and around the city, and they have secured a wagon load of stolen goods from houses where he made his headquarters.

In three instances last summer dwellers in residences that were robbed were shot at by the burglar, and Lambert is supposed to be the man who fired the shots.

Says Stevens Shot Kairer.

Lambert confessed that he robbed Kairer's house, but claimed that John Stevens, his pal, shot the baker. Stevens is the man who furnished Detective Alexander with the clue through which Lambert was implicated in the murder.

Lambert in his statement to Prosecutor Jenkins, said he and Stevens went to the Kairer residence on the morning of December 4 last, and after effecting an entrance formed their plans to rob the house. Lambert was to go up stairs while Stevens was to ransack the first floor.

Lambert said the revolver with which Kairer was shot was his and he gave it to Stevens when they entered the house.

He went up stairs, entered Kairer's room and stole his watch. While attempting to enter another room the squeaking of a door awakened the inmate. Then came his struggle with young Mr. Kairer and his escape by running down stairs and out through the back gate.

Lambert says Stevens was in the parlor when he ran out and as he ran down the back street he heard three shots and concluded that Stevens had shot Kairer.

Lambert Pawned the Watch.

He says he took the watch to Philadelphia and pawned it for \$40 on North Ninth street. He then returned to Camden and divided the money, giving Stevens \$20, Mrs. Moore, his mistress, \$15, and keeping \$5 himself. He says he then learned of the shooting for the first time.

Prosecutor Jenkins believes that Lambert's confession is half truth and half falsehood. He is working on the theory that Lambert was alone in the robbery, and after going out the back gate he came around to the front of the house and fired the fatal shot through the front window.

Stevens is held in jail as a witness, but he is likely to be indicted as an accomplice. The Prosecutor has important evidence against Lambert that has not yet been made public.

It is said the authorities are of the opinion that William, alias "Black-strap" Davis, the colored man recently brought on from New York on suspicion of being the murderer, knows nothing of the crime, although Lambert said Davis was with him on the morning of the murder.