

## OTHER NEGRO HELD AS WITNESS

**But Denies That He Saw Any Part Of Lynching Expedition.**

Although he was but three cells away from the one occupied by King Johnson, who was lynched, Hubert Chase, colored, the only other prisoner at the Brooklyn station house, stated yesterday that he knew absolutely nothing of the lynching until told by the policemen yesterday morning.

Chase says he was awakened late in the night by the noise made by some men in the station house, but that, after listening in vain to catch the drift of their conversation, he went to sleep.

The negro said there was nothing to excite his suspicions in the noise made by the men; that there was no outcry from Johnson, nor was there any excited talk by the men. Chase said he thought that these men were policemen belonging to the station. He declares he heard a sound of scraping feet near Johnson's cell, but that he paid little attention to this, believing that it was the policemen wrestling with each other or indulging in other pranks. Chase was arrested as a witness to the shooting of Schwab and taken to the Brooklyn Station House Sunday morning. He occupied a cell several yards from that in which Johnson was placed. Yesterday Chase was removed to Annapolis to be held as a witness of the lynching.

Patrolman William L. Hawkins, who took Chase to Annapolis, said he himself was off duty at the time of the lynching, and knew nothing of it until he was informed at the station that Johnson had been killed. He said the deed had been done so quietly that persons living within a stone's throw of the station knew nothing of it until late in the morning.