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8.12.80 3.30pm.	<p>FATAL STABBING OF WALTER JOHN BEDSER 47 OLD IN HIS SHOP AT 4 DARCY STREET, PARRAMATTA.</p> <p>On the 2.12.80. I was on duty at Parramatta with Constable Grapes of this station, as observer and driver of Car 18/2 respectively. Shortly after 2. pm we were directed by VKG to attend the Parramatta Arcade Darcy Street, the information being that a man had been stabbed. We left the station and proceeded to the address given arriving there in about two minutes. On my arrival I saw the crew of an ambulance load a stretcher into the back and leave the area at high speed. Outside the entrance to the arcade there was a large crowd of people milling about, just inside the entrance to the Arcade I saw a patch of blood on the ground together with a white coloured substance that looked like spilt milk, a trail of blood led from this patch to the fruit shop situated on the west side of the Arcade on the floor of the fruit shop I saw a large pool of blood and a blood stained towel, also on the floor was a number of hyperdermic needles and some swabs similar to those used by Para-medics in the treatment of patients. The owner of the fruit shop said a man had been stabbed in the Antique shop situated on the East side of the arcade and had run out of the shop collapsing on the ground and then came into the fruit shop, he said he had seen a man run away immediately after hearing a noise come from the Antique shop, he pointed to a woman standing nearby and said that she had also seen the man run away. At that time other Police had arrived and I directed a Constable to speak to the woman and detain her until the arrival of the Detectives. I directed two other Constables to move the crowd away from the blood on the ground and placed a Constable in the Arcade to protect the area. From my recollection of this the Constables were, GRAPES (inside the Arcade) Croquette & Hall in Darcy street about this time I was aware that there were some Highway Patrol Police also at the scene from general conversation I was informed that the incident had taken place inside the Antique shop I walked to the door of the shop which at the time was closed and pushed it, but it did not open, as a man approached me from the Arcade he was wearing a blue coloured half smock with a patrol type collar, similar to those worn by hair dressers, he walked to the door of the Antique shop and opened it, I am not sure if he had in fact opened it with a key or merely pushed it open. I went into the shop and saw some blood on the carpet leading to the rear of the shop I followed it and saw a smashed glass display case which had blood on it behind the counter situated at the rear of the shop there was a brass Cash register lying on its side, this also had blood on it, behind the smashed display counter there</p>	KERR.

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