

Oom Paul's Lost Millions

KRUGER'S FORTUNE LIES BURIED ON VELD; LEADS SEARCHERS TO THEIR DOOM.

(London Sunday Express.) Another attempt to find Kruger's buried millions has failed, writes a correspondent of the London Sunday Express.

The bones of five police horses lie on the fever-haunted veld, and two members of a police expedition that set out to search for the hidden gold, spent a fortnight recuperating in hospital after six days of terrible hardships in the wilds.

One man's lying affidavit inspired the expedition. An ex-soldier named Pritchard affirmed that while he was digging in an ant-hill to make an oven he discovered a cable leading to seventy bars of solid gold, each stamped "Z.A.R." He led a police captain, three troopers, and four native police into the wilderness, and they worked day and night, digging and surveying, to find nothing. Pritchard declared that he had lost all trace of the ant-hill.

Much blood has been shed for Kruger's gold, at the time of its hiding and since. Above its hiding place are said to be the charred remains of the wagon that brought it there, and near the spot are buried eight kaffirs, who were silenced by murder.

Kruger himself did not know the hiding-place of his millions. Facts have come to light which show that they were stolen by his own men before they were hidden. Each man of seven who were in the secret tried to seize the treasure for himself by killing the others, until at last only the seventh man was left. What became of him, and to whom did he tell his story?

In 1900, when the British forces were advancing on Pretoria, the Republican government decided to remove a large quantity of bar gold, gems, documents, and other valuables from a Pretoria bank to Petersburg, the new seat of government. Two nights before the British captured Pretoria, six mounted policemen and a young Boer soldier, under cover of darkness, went to the bank and put the treasure on a wagon driven by six mules. They then set off on a trek through the Low Country—the fever lands—in the direction of Lydenburg. Eight kaffirs accompanied them.

They did not reach Petersburg, and if they had done so they would have been captured for the British were there. Instead, they planned treachery. They pushed deeper and deeper into the bush country, and at last, in a clearing, they dug a hole and buried the treasure. To cover up the traces they burned the wagon. The white men held a secret conference, and then shot the black men.

The seven whites, with the secret locked in their breasts, went to Lydenburg and joined a Boer commando. Four of the policemen were killed in battle. There were left Schwartz, Van Niekerk, and the seventh man.

Van Niekerk and Schwartz later set out to look for the gold. There is every evidence that they found the spot, but new treachery stepped in. On his way back to the camp where the kaffirs were waiting, Schwartz shot his friend and buried him.

A kaffir saw the crime, but said nothing until they reached a town. Then Schwartz was accused of murder, tried, and hanged. All the policemen were now dead, and there remained the seventh man.

The authorities have never established his identity. He has never come forward, owing to his fear of being implicated in the murder of the kaffirs.

Later, Alexander J. Watson, of Johannesburg, heard the story of the seventh man's young friend. A contract was made, and a permit for an expedition obtained from the chief staff officer of the South African Constabulary. The contract stipulated that two-thirds of the treasure should go to Mr. Watson and one-third to the government. The expedition failed. The seekers found the burned wagon, but after weeks of digging at the spot they found no gold.

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CAPT. ROWSELL REPORTS—SNOW IN WOODS AT INGHAM.

Capt. Henry Rowsell, of the schr. Carranza, which arrived in North Sydney from Poughkeepsie, Newfoundland, reports that while sailing down the Labrador coast a couple of weeks ago, he passed through thirty miles of ice in the Strait of Belle Isle. And ice in the Strait of Belle Isle is not the only indication that the winter just past was an extraordinary one, for a lady of North Sydney received a letter from a relative in Antigonish reporting snow five feet deep in some places in the woods "down North" on the 17th of June—Sydney Post, June 26.

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