

With the remainder of the corps, I shall proceed to Danver's Camp. I wish you every success."

I picked out my five men, three Australians, a Canadian, and one Africander, who not only knew the country like a book, but also the Dutch and Kaffir languages.

We rode hard till we reached the foot of Longe Bergen. Here dismounting we led our horses up to the base of the peak, called Devil's Rise. Here I left an Australian in charge of the horses, telling the other two to scout to the left and return in three hours, while I went to the right. We located the enemy from a small kopje. Ordering the Africander to stay where he was, the Canadian and myself after careful stalking got very close, so close as to hear their talk. With my field glasses, I could easily see their horses saddled. They were evidently going to move, though a dispute seemed to be going on. I counted thirty men standing around: some more were lying on the grass, while others were piling up stones and rocks. Returning, we met the Africander and got back to our horses. The other two scouts arrived shortly and reported having seen the enemy on the other side of a deep donga.

All being together again, we returned upon our trail for about a mile when we cut across the country and eventually dropped into the path to No. 3 Camp. Finding the Colonel there, I gave in my report, after which I moved ahead again. I took with me the Canadian and Affricander allowing the Australians to go together. After an hour's easy ride we found where the enemy had been and from tracks it seemed they must have retired towards Brake Fontein. If Capt. Johnson made good time, they would run right into his arms.

We came upon the cairn of stones; judging it worth while to see if there were anything underneath, we went to work and were well rewarded by finding one hundred and fifteen mausers with as many bandoleers. The Canadian went back to guide the Colonel who soon came up with the corps which Lieuts. Bradshaw and Hendricks had joined with their men. We soon demolished those rifles and bandoleers.