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### WILL NEMARLUCK "SHOOT IT OUT?"

#### Native Report Of Armed Resistance

#### POLICE PREFER GUNS TO SPEARS

From Our Special Representative

DARWIN, Monday.—Nemarluck, the notorious Fitzmaurice River aborigine murderer and gaol breaker, is alleged to be awaiting with two shot-guns and a supply of cartridges the anticipated police pursuit party, in the next dry season.

This information was given to the police today by a Fitzmaurice River aborigine, who came overland to Darwin from Nemarluck's camp at Point Keats.

The shotguns, the police believe, are the weapons stolen from two prospectors, Koch and Arinski, when Nemarluck's tribesmen, now awaiting trial for murder, killed the men on the Fitzmaurice River in November, 1932.

The news has not disturbed Constable W. Langdon, who will be one of the party sent to chase Nemarluck.

He said today that Nemarluck armed with spears was much more to be feared.