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### ARMED PARTY TURNS BACK

#### Rain Aids Escape Of Namarluck

From Our Special Representative

CANBERRA, Tuesday.—The armed expedition under Constable McNab, which left Darwin to search for the notorious black escapee, Namarluck, has had to return because of heavy rain in the Finnis River district. The rain has obliterated any tracks.

In a communication to the Minister for the Interior (Mr. Perkins) today, the Administrator at Darwin said that Namarluck was believed to be making for his country in the vicinity of Port Keats, and this might lead to his recapture.

Constables Fitzner and Langdon are in the Port Keats area, investigating the alleged murder of Stephens and Kock, two settlers. They have been advised to keep a sharp look out for Namarluck, who was badly wounded in a fight with black-trackers who tried to arrest him, and may be too weak to offer much resistance.

However, members of his tribe would be likely to rally to his assistance, and this possibility adds to the peril of the constables' task.