How Equatical Arabs Throw Themselves Opon the British Square.

sepondence London Telegraph says: There is no information available to explain this

RECKLESS SACRIFICE OF LIFE ; but an explanation auggests itself. It is this : that with every force of the enemy there is proportion of professional fanatics, A can "Ghazis" in fact; that these, whether drugged or not for the occasion, like th ir Afghan equivalents, devote themselves to death to encourage the others-that it is these who rush upon our squares, and that, according to the result of the onset, the rest either come on or hold back. I have seen two convoys attacked, and the circumstances of the two were so identical that I venture to infer that it I were to see 200 the procedure would be the same. A multitude of Hadendowas assemble on the line of our advance, await the convoy, select one face for attack, and then withdraw out of fire. We knew they were there. The Hasheen redoubt is

FLASHING THE NEWS TO US from our right; the water-fort mirror is twinkling the same news from the rear. But the enemy do not rush upon us enmasse. They do not even fire a shot. They lie by to see the result of the onset of their fanatical vanguard. These creep up as well as they can to within charging distance, and then, with gesticulations suggestive of a war-dance rather than real conflict, come straight on, crying upon Allah, "the compassionate, the merciful Hesler of wounds." If not stretched out on the ground before they reach the square they fling themselves upon our bayonets with a dauntless intrepidity that only voluntary martyrdom or madness can explain. Single men, snapping their fingers, hopping and skipping, barking and grunting, would sometimes manage to come up within spear length, but only to receive at the rifle's muzzle that death which they seem with such light hearts to seek. It is an amazing variety of warfare, and we have only to put ourselves in imagination in the place of the Hadendowas to confess that it is one calling for the most reckless form of courage. Everybody knows that the fauaticism of Islam has, all through the history of Mohammedanism, made heroes of her soldiers when they thought themselves fighting for the Faith. But it is none the less astonishing and perplexing to find these barbarons Arabs flinging themselves on the level lines of British bayonets fixed on rifles which are roaring out their

MESSAGES OF DEATH all down the steady rank. That they should move up in a dense mass, and, by sheer distress of numbers, trust to breaking through our squares and getting to close quarters, is comprehensible. Such are the tactics of savages everywhere. On weight and impetus they rely for victory. But it is quite another thing when they come on in trifling numbers, scatter themselves round a larger

force, and deliberately die. . . . . These recurring periods of expectation, preparation, and excitement are, however, the relief and solace of convoy work. They keep the soldier in spirits. And he needs it. For the heat, and the choking dust, and the wearlness of dragging feet along through sand at the rate two miles an hour, with bushes armed with thorns to which fishhooks are mere foolishness perpetually in the way, and the air heavy with the odor of decaying corpses, makes the labor of escorting a camel convoy one of the most exasperating and spirit-breaking tasks imaginable. Had the great Poet of Pargatory but been here a fortnight he would certainly have shown us a future state in which wicked staff officerr and soldiers who had deserved badly of their country would have been compelled to drag backward and forward, foreverand forever, convoys of goblin camels from Suakin to "Zareba No. 1. "

## Need of a New Geography.

It is gratifying to know that the journalists of America are at length learning something about the geography of Australia. In The New York Herald of February 21, the following paragraph appeared: "Victoria, New South Wales, will send a contingent composed of seven hundred action on the part of the colonies for furnishing a large force of volunteers for the Egypt'an service is suggested."

startled to learn that Victoria is in New South Wales, seeing that the separation of these colonies took place some thirty-four years ago; but then The New York Herald

is a well-informed paper. Further down in the same article occurs the following: "The colony of Victoria, in Australia, has offered the home Government a naval brigade and a mounted infantry corps, both comprising seven hundred picked men, for service in the Soudan. The diffierent British colonies in the South Pacific are arranging to take federal action towards the formation of an Australian contingent for Egyptian ser-

vice." toops. It appears, however, that we can doubt The New York Herald. Jokpaper that startled the world with the news | gold. that Cleveland had been elected President of the United States, Canada, or that a new silver mine had been opened in Nevada, New-York? and yet this would

hardly show such outrageous ignorance as s displayed in the peculiar paragraph quoted above.—Sydney (N. S. W.) Evening News.

## NUGGET HUNTING.

Persistency and Luck-Each has its Share in the Success.

An old miner who followed the gold excitement in its devious wanderings in Australia, California, Mexico, and British Columbia, related a few days ago several instances of lucky discoveries :

"An old Datchman brought the plodding method of his race to the work of gold digging in Australia. Ali his companions had boldness and dash; but few had the stolld persistency in the face of bad luck that this Dutchman possessed. He had been plodding along for several months digging a tunnel. Heavy dull clay was all about him. Not a promising sign beckened him on. He seemed to get more settled in his determination to work the tunnel to the end the more unpromising it looked. He had been working on in the face of discouragement for several months. One morning he was making his way into his tunnel, and before he had gone fourteen feet his heart sank within him. There in front of him was his tunnel caved! The path that he had laboriously dug into the hill was clogged with tons of earth. But the quality of his character asserted itself. Most men would have volleyed oaths at his ill luck, and packed up their kit and left. The miner moved more slowly than before, but he started to work again in the same tunnel. He crawled into his tunnel, and with his pick and shovel set to clearing away the hill of earth that blocked his path. He had not struck a dozen blows with his pick before the sharp iron point struck something solid. Mechanically he bent fordward and cleared away the earth, and there before him was a big nugget, as nuggets go, weighing fourteen ounces. He crept out of the tunnel, bringing his precious nugget with him, and when he got into the iresh air and heard the birds singing, he sat down and wept. No one begrudged the Dutchman his luck.

"A nuggety country that has been only partially worked is just as good a field as virgin soil," continued the miner, "The spots that have not been touched may be the very nests of the precious metal. It is dangerous to leave a single foot of the ground unworked. The ortune of a lifetime might thus be passedf by and lost forever. There are many instances of just such cases. There was a poor, shiftless fellow, with a wife in rags and children in squalor. The whole family used to go into the diggings together and shift about till they got enough to buy something to eat. They kept sinking lower and lower.

But one day they straggled into the diggings, not having energy enough to push on abreast of the workers. They fell to picking a little pillar that had been left standing in the midst of the diggings, all about it having been worked. I do not think it could have been more than three feet across, certainly not more than six. It was a spot that had been neglected as the diggers pushed their drifts ahead. The squalid family began work on this solitary pillar; all they hoped was a few grains to feed them for the day. As the man continued listlessly, the sunlight was caught up by a speck in the pillar that glistened and flashed. The eyes of the poor fellow saw it; he thought his work for the day was done. He knelt down to clean away the dirt from the bright spot. As he did so the shining metal grew to larger proportions. Immediately the whole family was around it in eager haste to uncover it. The further they cleared the soil away about it the further it seemed to recede. After work ing two hours with growing astonishment they saw the full outline of their prizeone of the largest lumps of gold ever found. That was the luckiest find ever made.

"The Mount Mollagul nugget was found in a most peculiar place," resumed the miner. "There was an unusually rich diggings in the vicinity of Mount Moliagul, Victoria, that had made a hundred men rich. It had been thoroughly worked in every direction, and it was thought that every grain of gold in the neighborhood had been collected. The crowd that once made the camp a busy scene of life dissolved as quickly as it had men for service in Egypt, and combined | collected, leaving the shanties to the mercy of the weather, which soon made them a picturesque ruln. Off toward the east there was a solitary tree stump, No doubt readers in Australia will be standing on a pillar of earth that had not been cut away by the gold hunters because of the old roots of the tree that spread through the soil. It was not more than ten feet in circumference that had been left by the diggers. One day two miners came to the deserted camp, and stopped over night on the site of the old camp. The stump struck one of them as a singular feature of the old diggings, and being a skilful miner, he knew that one part of a nuggety country was as likely to hide the precious metal as another. It occurred to him that the ground under the stump was as likely to prove rich as the portions of the neighboring field that had yielded so much gold. He resolved to We have no des re to rob Victoria of work the little mound the next day. His any of the credit due to her; but as the companion, however, was anxious to be troops left Sydney (the capital of New off the latest diggings, where the excite-South Wales), and not Melbourne (the ment was at the highest pitch. But the capital of Victoria), we were under the first miner, who had resolved to explore impression that this colony furnished the the solitary patch of the deserted diggngs, persuaded his partner, and together must have been mistaken, because nobody | they set to work on the old stump. They began by undermining one side of the ing apart, it is about time that this sort of atump, but before they had dug in three thing were ended. If The New York Her- feet they discovered an enormous nugget, questioned, as cures effected by him four years ald has no geography except one that was one of the most valuable that had been printed before old Columbus crossed the found in the whole diggings. They con-Atlantic, we will send one over. What | tinued their labors and uprooted the would the Americans say to an Australian | stump, but did not find another grain of

> A Dublin paper states that Gen. Komaroff's grandmother was an Irlshwoman of the name of Macnamara,

### Especially to Women.

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