HAD RUNNING FIGHT

DETACHMENT OF RANGERS OVERTAKE THREE MEXICANS, KILL ONE, CAPTURE ANOTHER.

CORTEZ NOT CAUGHT

BUT THE OFFICERS ARE CLOSE ON HIS TRAIL, AND IT IS A RACE FOR THE RIO GRANDE.

FUGITIVE ABANDONS HORSE

Divests Himself of Part of His Clothes and Cuts Across the Country. Pursued from All Sides.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.

San Diego, Tex., June 18.—The posse under State Ranger Sanders encountered the men who killed Sheriffs Morris and Glover about ten miles northwest of Benavides this morning and had a hard fight, killing one and capturing one and a third escaping badly wounded. The dead will arrive tonight with the dead and the wounded prisoner. Jose Mendez, the man who was killed, Tofelio Gonzales that of the man captured and Tiburco Benavides the man who escaped. The posse is in pursuit of the latter.

Laredo, Tex., June 18.—News by wire has just reached here that Capt. Brooks' company of State rangers had a fight with the Mexicans who are supposed to be guilty of the assassination of Sheriff Morris of Karnes County and Sheriff Glover and Constable Schnabel of Gonzales County. The commander of the company wired that four horses had been stolen Sunday night at Campbellton, in Atascosa County, and that the riders were headed for the Rio Grande. Of course his company were at once put on the evidence, and the information tonight is to the effect that a detachment of the company ran across four Mexicans riding horses that suited the description of those stolen at Campbellton at the Hordes ranch, which is about twenty-eight miles from here. A running fight ensued, in which one Mexican was killed, one wounded, one captured and one escaped.

The details are unobtainable, but that a fight did occur is evidence of the fact that this evening a Coroner left for the scene in order to hold an inquest.

Later information reaches this city that Capt. Rogers of the State rangers, Private Ranger Sanders and two other officers captured three Mexicans and a fight took place, one Mexican being killed, a Mexican taken and the third escaping. Capt. Rogers and party are in pursuit of the third man of the gang.

Capt. Rogers is coming to Laredo on the first train to intercept them.

The County Clerk of Karnes City has been wired to send men to identify the Mexican killed and the one captured.

FOLLOWING A TRAIL NORTH.

Officers Think the Murderer Is Going Toward Austin.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.

Gonzales, Tex., June 18.—Nothing has been heard from the posses pursuing the fugitive Mexican that killed Sheriffs Glover and Morris. It is thought that Deputy Sheriff Swift and officers from Hays County, going toward Austin, are on the right trail. Several Sheriffs are in hot pursuit of him and it is thought he is the right one and will be captured. Among the Sheriffs who came here to come to help locate and capture the Mexican murderers are Tom Bell of DeWitt, Wilson of Roe, Sparks of Lee, Bob Welsger of Victoria County, Shoats of Karnes, Jack Lawrence, Don Vallentine and W. F. Harris of Yoakum. Important news is expected from the north tonight.

The Home Circle Society, of which Sheriff Glover was a member, presented Mrs. Glover with a check for $16 yesterday.

TRAVELING ON FOOT.

Cortez Is Making Desperate Efforts to Reach the Rio Grande.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.

San Antonio, Tex., June 18.—The officers believe they are hot on the trail of Gregorio Cortez, the alleged murderer of Sheriffs Morris and Glover. It is stated in official circles here that Cortez was seen near Campbellton, sixty-five miles south of here, yesterday and a party of officers was close behind him.

A telephone message from Capt. Jordan Campbell at noon stated that Cortez was being hard pressed and that escape was impossible. He is trying to make a crossing of the Rio Grande and is cutting wire fences as he goes, thus leaving a broad and plain trail behind him.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon it was reported that officers were only one hour behind him and gaining. He is afoot and shedding his clothing as he goes on account of the intense heat. The point he is making for is San Miguel.

HOPE TO HEAD HIM OFF.

Sheriffs Tobin and Vann Leave San Antonio on Special Train.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.

San Antonio, Tex., June 18.—At 3 o'clock this afternoon Sheriff Tobin of this county, with Sheriff Vann of Karnes County and five deputies, boarded a special train furnished by the International and Great Northern, with their horses, for a route to Encinal or Tilden, at either of which places they expect to cut in ahead of the fugitive Gregorio Cortez and capture him. The other pursuing parties, by undersanding, are making in the same direction.

There is no doubt that Cortez was seen near Floresville yesterday morning, when he crossed the San Antonio River, going south toward the Rio Grande.

SCOURING THE COUNTRY.

Whole Section Is Covered with Officers Looking for the Mexican.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.

Corpus Christi, Tex., June 18.—City and county officials are keeping a close watch in this vicinity for the Mexican yet at large wanted for the killing of Sheriffs Morris and Glover. All main thoroughfares leading from the city are watched. Yesterday The News correspondent came from Lockhart to Yoakum on the Aransas Pass, and between those towns noticed at least a dozen heavily armed officers board the train and get off at various stations, in search of the fugitives. The entire country for miles around Lockhart and Yoakum is heavily patrolled by armed posses.

TWO RELATIVES ARRESTED.

One, a Brother of Cortez, Has Been Taken to San Antonio.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.

Austin, Tex., June 18.—Mayor Emmett White and posse, who have been in the southern part of this county during the last two days looking for the Mexicans who were implicated in the killing of Sheriffs Glover and Morris, returned to Austin today without having captured the fugitives. Members of the posse arrested a Mexican who is said to be a relative of Gregorio Cortez. He is charged with carrying a pistol. Another Mexican who is said to be a brother of Cortez has been arrested at Manor. He was taken to San Antonio.