



## The Sepang Tiger.

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#### HOW HE WAS KILLED.

As we announced on Monday, one of the famous Sepang man-eating tigers has at last been destroyed. It appears that for the last three or four months varied efforts on the part of several noted Malay 'Pawangs' to trap this beast have been unsuccessful. At the request of the manager of Chee Woh Estate Mr. William Hay undertook to destroy the animal. After being ten days at Sepang he succeeded.

How the animal was eventually killed is somewhat unusual and interesting. Gin-traps tied to logs of wood were set by Mr. Hay, with dogs as baits, and on Friday morning, on making his inspection of the traps, he found one trap with its bait missing and following on the trail found the dead dog uneaten, and the log bitten in pieces, the tiger having escaped with the trap and rope.

Mr. Hay followed the tiger until 3 p.m. when the tracks ceased at a small stream in a mangrove swamp. The next day search for the tracks continued, and they were found some 200 yards up stream where the tiger had left the water. On being followed up, the tracks led from the swamp into a big jungle, and at noon Mr. Hay came on the tiger at the edge of the jungle near the big swamp. On hearing his approach the animal made off into the swamp and was chased for one hour before it stopped to show fight, giving Mr. Hay the opportunity of getting in two shots which concluded the hunt.

Examination showed that the trap was hanging to the animal, which unfortunately sat on it after killing the dog. The tiger was an old male in perfect condition, measuring almost 9 feet, its fangs and teeth being worn almost to the gums. The tiger was afterwards brought into Sepang village and exhibited, and a collection made in aid of the Red Cross Fund proved very successful.

In addition to his two shots, Mr. Hay





found a fresh wound and several old ones on the animal, including some caused by buck shot, a snider bullet, and a piece of lead, showing that the animal had been shot at several times. — *M M.*

The soldiers proceeding from Chengtu to Tibet have caused a strong outcry among the people *en route* by their barbarous methods in impressing men to transport their baggage. It is reported that a number of coolies have been wantonly shot. It is affirmed that such methods were previously unknown.

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