Her Strange Death — Her Lever les on Her Grave.

of Nell Prescott—A Bloodhound on Her Trail—Her Strange Death—Her Lever Sucides on Her Grave.

The recent exploits of two female highway robbers in Virginia, recalls the rather romantic story of the life and death of Nell Prescott, old Virginia's first highway-woman. Nell was born and lived and died within sixty miles of Parkersburg, and, though her span of of existence only extended over some twenty years, she made things lively in the mountains while she did live. Yet her daring on the road had a fitting climax in the unique manner of her canture and melancholy death.

Nell Prescott! Boys, I'm flabbergasted." Some of his companions also recognized the pretty face, and despite the fact that the form was clad in male attire, declared it to be that of old Job Prescott's daughter. It was mercifully decided not to inform the Prescott family of the death of Nellie, and so, after viewing the body, the coroner ordered it interred on the mountain side near Oak Grove. After the burial there were no more robberies in that part of Virginia.

A melancholy sequel to the death of Nell Prescott was the suicide by shooting at her grave of the young schoolmaster of Huntley. He had been the girl's lover.

ing Huntley, Jennie began tugging furiously at her leash and Gabe knew she was hot on the trail, and at last he caught a glimpse of a human form flitting through the trees ahead. Instantly Gabe Jimison raised his rifle and fired, but apparently without effect, for the chase was continued, but soon ended at a tallen hollow tree, which the highwayman had sought concealment. Gabe and Al knew they had treed their "coon," and that his capture was inevitable, so the bound was not allowed to enter the aperture. Gabe kicked the log repeatedly, then shouted: "Come out o' thar an' s'render ter th' law er I'll smother yer with smoke, for we uns has yer sho'."

There was no response to this stern command. Not a sound could be heard from within the log. Evidently the robber was disinclined to surrender, so Gabe and Al held a consultation of war in whispers which ended in the latter going to summon assistance while Jimison remained to guard the self-imprisoned captive.

It was shortly after 1 o'clock when Al returned, accompanied by three woodsmen and Deputy Sheriff Strong. Strong opposed trying to smoke out the robber by a fire at the base of the fallen tree, and directed another method of getting hold of the robber. which was to split the log open. So, with axes and wedges the log was split, disclosing within a motionless human form. The aperture was materially widened, while the deputy sheriff and Gabe stood on the alert with drawn revolvers, and at last the officer reached down and grasped the form by the shoulder saying at the same time:

"I arrest you in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia for highway robbery."

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There was no response. With a vigor-ous jerk he turned the form over, and then jumped back aghast. The bearded face sh

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A word of advice in conclusion to those who cannot use the pen. If one parent cannot write and the other can, by all means let the one who can sign the register. In the case of a person who cannot write, he or she has to make a cross in the birth register, the register adding "The mark of John Blank, tather," or "Jane Blank, mother," as the case may be. If matters ended here, all well and good. The helpless child, however, in years to come may grow up to be an intelligent and well-educated young man or maiden and require a birth certificate is often insisted upon, and though probably it would make no real difference to the applicant, the document in question would certainly look much better minus the too tamiliar mark "X." with the registrar's explanation beside it.

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The Earl's Treasures.

There once stood in the stately hall of the Earl of Roden a strong box, on which was painted the words: "To be saved first in case of fire." After the earl's death it was opened, in expectation of finding some rich treasure; but nothing was found save the toys of an only and departed child, whose memory by these simple relics he fondly sought to cherish.

Another Rain Producer.

A rainmaker in India has an apparatus, consisting of a rocket capable of rising to the height of a mile, containing a reservoir of ether. In its desent it opens a para-achute, which causes it to come down slowly. The ether is thrown out in fine spray, and its absorption of heat is said to lower the temperature about it sufficently to condence the vapor and produce a limited shower.

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deep and solid, and no quavering, saying;

"It was a good, big voice, but there was't any shootin' in it, not just yet, anyway, and I turned my light on him. He was sitting up in bed, a pretty good-sized, square-shouldered sort of a man, and the minute I saw him I knew that I had heard somebody trying to keep from laughing and that this was the man.

"Wait a minute," he said, and there was something in his way of saying it that made me feel that it was all right to wait. He got out of bed and walked over to the bureau where I was and took a match out of an iron match box that was nailed against the window frame near by and lighted a lamp that stood on the bureau. Then he went across the room to a closet near the door I had come in by, which I suppose I should have looked into myself in the course of time it I hadn't been disturbed. He opened the closet door, and reached in and

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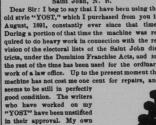
brought out a jimmy, which he stood up against the wall. I wanted to stop him right there, but I didn't exactly like to interrupt, and he reached in again, and this time he brought out a dark lantern. He stood that by the jimmy, and was reaching in again when I stopped him.

"Don't, I said, and he respected my feelings and stopped, and looked at me. I guess we both smiled a little bit then, and then I just went away."

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