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Not since the year 1867 have the Virginia laws been codified.

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**Unwritten Law.**—It is reported that Senator Davis of the new state of Oklahoma is drafting a bill to codify the so-called unwritten law and afford a legal justification for murder in cases in which local sentiment makes conviction impossible. It will be interesting to observe whether such a bill can become law even in a part of our country where sentiment in favor of such justification has been supposed to be most prevalent and persistent. It will be equally interesting to observe the effect upon the development of the community of such an enactment since this is one of the remedies which has been proposed as a cure for lynching. Will the new state be more or less attractive to settlers if they know that private vengeance has been authorized by law in a class of cases where fabrication of testimony is easy by those whose honor is supposed to have been insulted by the deceased and where the means of disproving testimony of revengeful or neurasthenic women may well be impossible?—Green Bag.