

## KATE KELLY MEETS NED AT A WINE SHANTY.

On section 3002 and 3003 in the hundreds of Stanley, use to be a wine shanty owned by a Mr Nankervis, as the story goes. The shanty was supposed to have bridged the boundary lines of both sections, and later times than this story it caused a rift between later owners, but that is another story.

The road past the shanty was used by the Bullockies, in the Gulf Road era, when they carted ore from Burra to Pt Wakefield.

A steep track wound its way from Mintaro through Kadlunga, to a wine shanty on the eastern side of Mt Horrocks, known as 'Pink House', named so some say because of the tough red wine (Pinky) that they sold there. Others say it's because of the pink quartz that the building is constructed of. A Joe Felz owned the shanty.

From there the track, wound its way around a steep peak, then down the Side to a 'deep gully, where was situated Nankervis' wine shanty: the bullockies needed something strong after travelling on that hair-raising piece of track!

Mt Nankervis wine shanty was built of local timber, and surrounded by low dense scrub. It was here that legend tells of Kate Kelly, travelling from Adelaide where she was working, to meet her brother Ned, the notorious bush ranger, who was hiding out at Kelly town recouple of miles north of the Shanty.

Kate and Ned are supposed to have met here on several occasions, spending as much time as possible together before Kate had to leave again for Adelaide.

It was an ideal situation for the meetings, as the troopers could not sneak up on Ned, without warning, as one lookout positioned on the peak, could see in all directions for miles.

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