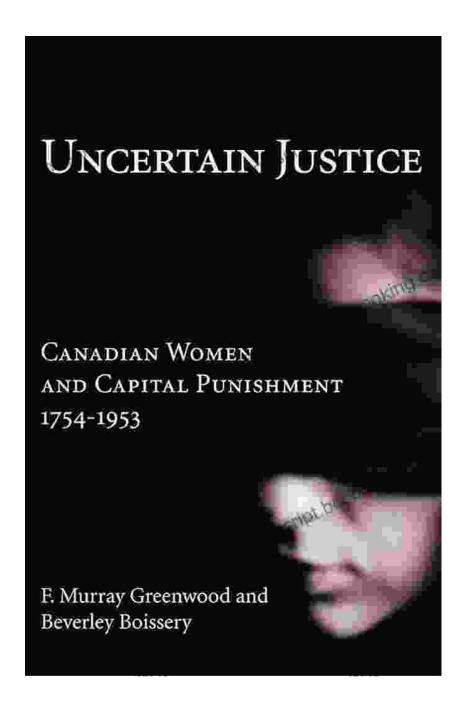
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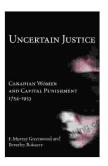


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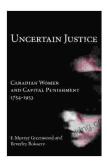
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The book then turns its attention to the experiences of women who were sentenced to death in Canada. Women were less likely to be executed than men, but they were not immune to the death penalty. In fact, some of the most notorious cases of capital punishment in Canadian history involved women. These cases include the execution of Marie-Josephte Corriveau in 1845, the execution of Sarah Ann Shaw in 1889, and the execution of Alma Manning in 1923.

The book concludes by examining the abolition of capital punishment in Canada. In 1953, the Canadian Parliament passed a bill abolishing the death penalty for all crimes except murder. The last execution in Canada took place in 1962.

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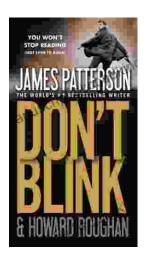
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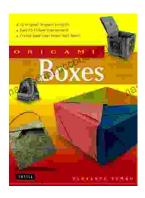
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