

# MARSHLANDS.

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In launching this little magazine, MARSHLANDS, we offer no apology ; no reason for its existence beyond what the following pages can tell. If there is a niche for it, well and good ; if treated only as "a waif and a stray" we will cease our labors in this direction, pleasant though they be.

Little Fielding has proved himself a big man, at least big enough to boss the grid party in Nova Scotia.

Honest political opinion separates the chaff from the wheat, a carping factions opposition drives the ruling power into insolent recklessness.

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## The Marshlands in June.

Beautiful in the lights of a lovely Summer's-day,  
Lie the broad Marshlands, and the distant ruddy bay ;  
Far beyond this sea of grass, with its charming hues of green,  
Rise bold mountains blue ; a dear familiar scene.

It is a strange thing to see Roman Catholic Italy, establishing free, unsectarian schools everywhere, and protestant Manitoba, not allowed to do the same thing !

President Grant is a clever man, but he is too conservative for the times ; in separati. g Church and State, we will have to bisect Monsieur Grant and several more of his ilk.

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## Political and Personal Politics.

Laurier is easily leader of his party, yet he is not master of the situation.

We want stronger, stouter hearted, progressive statesmen not Priests in political gowns ; hearken ! or we will ask for aggressive as well as progressive statesmen and public leaders.