

Prefatory Note

THE stories in this collection all deal with that romantic period in Canadian history when the French were making their last struggle to retain their hold upon the peninsula of Acadie—now called Nova Scotia. The book is named from those wide sea-meadows and that restless water around which chiefly clusters the romance of Acadian story. Two of the tales—"The Eye of Gluskâp" and "A Tragedy of the Tides"—are here reprinted from the volume entitled *Earth's Enigmas*, for the reason that their subjects bring them obviously within the scope of this collection rather than the other.

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