

Britain Also Has Trouble With Her Miners

LONDON, April 9.—No fewer than 120 collieries in England and Scotland have closed down since the beginning of the year involving acceptance of unemployment by twenty thousand workers.

Saratoga, Veritable Aviation Field

CAMDEN, N. J., April 9.—The giant airship carrier Saratoga which is the largest and fastest craft of her kind in the world, was launched here today amidst full naval honors.

Cape Sable Island Shows Evidence of Oil

HALIFAX, N. S., April 9.—Cape Sable Island, a little two by four splinter broken off the southern most tip of the peninsula of Nova Scotia and separated from the mainland by a stones-throw space of swift rushing Atlantic tide is literally bubbling with oil.

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The brook flows from the savannah which at this time of year is always flooded and offers great obstacles to a search for the source of the flow.

Cape Sable Island is an oblong piece of land seven miles long and two or three miles wide. It is connected with the mainland at Barrington Passage by a small steam ferry.

French Chamber Gives Women The Vote

PARIS, April 9.—The Chamber of Deputies this evening passed a bill giving women the right to vote in municipal elections and also making them eligible for municipal offices if elected.

Department Missed Its Annual Grant

HALIFAX, N. S., April 9.—Professor M. Cummings, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture in Nova Scotia in his annual report for the year 1924, urges the present year as opportune for a searching conference respecting joint activities of the Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture with a view to effecting a more efficient distribution of expenditure.

ENJOYABLE CONCERT

The members of "MacEwen" L. O. L. P. Mette, held a very successful entertainment and box social in their hall on Thursday evening, March 12th.

Following is the program: Remarks by Chairman—Thos. W. Morrison. Chorus—Where the Sugar Maples Grow.

Trijo—Hush-a-Bye—by Lillian McKenzie, Annie MacRae and Anna MacLeod (encored.)

Monologue—The First Car Ride—by Mrs. Mabel MacEachern

Dialogue—A Successful Elopement—by Miss Ivy McPherson and Messrs. Edward Gillis, Wm. H. McInnis and Luther Hubley

Recitation—The Stovepipe Hole—by Mrs. Rod McKenzie (encored.)

Highland Dance by Anna MacRae (encored.)

Darky Chorus—Oh Boys Carry Me 'Long

Reading by Thos. W. Morrison

Chorus—The Old Home Down on the Farm

Dialogue—From Down East—by Misses Christine Miller, Florence MacPhee, Katie Cantelo, Messrs. Alfred Martin, and Sinclair Morrison

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Resurrection

NEW hope comes with the Spring of the year, for all the world is imbued with the vital magic of life renewed.

THE Story of the Lily symbolizes the Story of the Empty Tomb, for its fragrant beauty emerges from an earthy home.

THEN at the Dawn of that first Easter morning, when the Season of Oblivion was past, Christ rose, clothed in the Immortality which he promises to His people.

SINCE the earliest Easter, the festival has gathered about it much that is fanciful and picturesque from the pagan lands through which Christianity has progressed.

STRIP'ED of all its symbolism, the innate beauty of the season is deeply graven on all Christian hearts.

WELCOME, Thou Victor from the strife, Now welcome from the grave!

By Mary Carolyn Davies. Easter is in bloom! The world's a room With lilies in the window! Let us sing!

EASTER AN EASTER CANTICLE

In every trembling bud and bloom That cleaves the earth, a flowery sword, I see Thee coming from out the tomb, Thou risen Lord.

In every April wind that sings Down lanes that make the heart rejoice, Yea, in the word the wood-thrush brings, I hear Thy voice.

Lo! every tulip is a cup To hold thy morning's brimming wine; Drink, O my soul, the wonder up— Is it not Thine?

The great Lord God, invisible, Hath roused to rapture the green grass; Through sunlit mead and dew-drenched dell, I see Him pass.

His old immortal glory wakes The rushing streams and emerald hills; His ancient trumpet softly shakes The daffodils.

Thou art not dead! Thou art the whole Of life that quickens in the sod, Green April is Thy very soul, Thou great Lord God!

—Charles Hanson Towne.

LADY OF THE SPRING

Said the violet to the primrose, As she shook her sleepy wing, "The earth is all a-tremble, With the coming of the Spring."

Breathed the primrose to the violet From out her golden throat— "From my Winter's peaceful sleeping, I have only just awoken."

Here's our Springtime lady hunting For the first fair flowers of the Spring— I hear the old leaves rustle With her gentle fingerings.

Hasten, hasten Springtime lady, We your pathway shall adorn— Hand in hand we wait to greet you On this resurrection morn."

TREE-PLANTING

Joy for the sturdy trees; Fanned by each fragrant breeze, Lovely they stand, The song-birds o'er them trill; They crown each swelling hill; They shade each twinkling rill; Lowly or grand.

Plant them by stream and way Plant them where children play, And tollers rest; In every verdant vale, On every sunny swale— Whether to grow or fall, God knoweth best.

Select the strong, the fair; Plant them with earnest care— No toll is vain; Plant in a fitter place, Where, like a lovely face, Set in some sweeter grace, Change may prove gain.

God will His blessing send; All things on Him depend— His loving care Clings to each leaf and flower, Like ivy to its tower— His presence and His power Are everywhere.

—Samuel Francis Smith, in the Philadelphia Bulletin.

ning the pink rose, But life would be more pleasant to live natural like, dear knows."

Former Bank Pres. Pleads Not Guilty

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, April 9.—Michael J. Hanna former president of the defunct Home Bank today rendered a plea of not guilty to the fifteen counts in the indictment against him, but deferred choosing a judge or jury trial.

IN EXCELSIS

Spring! And all our valleys turning into green, Remembering— As I remember! So my heart turns glad.

For so much youth and joy—this to have had When in my veins the tide of living fire Was at its flow; This to know, When now the miracle of young desire Burns on the hills, and Spring's sweet choristers again Chant from each tree and every bush aflame

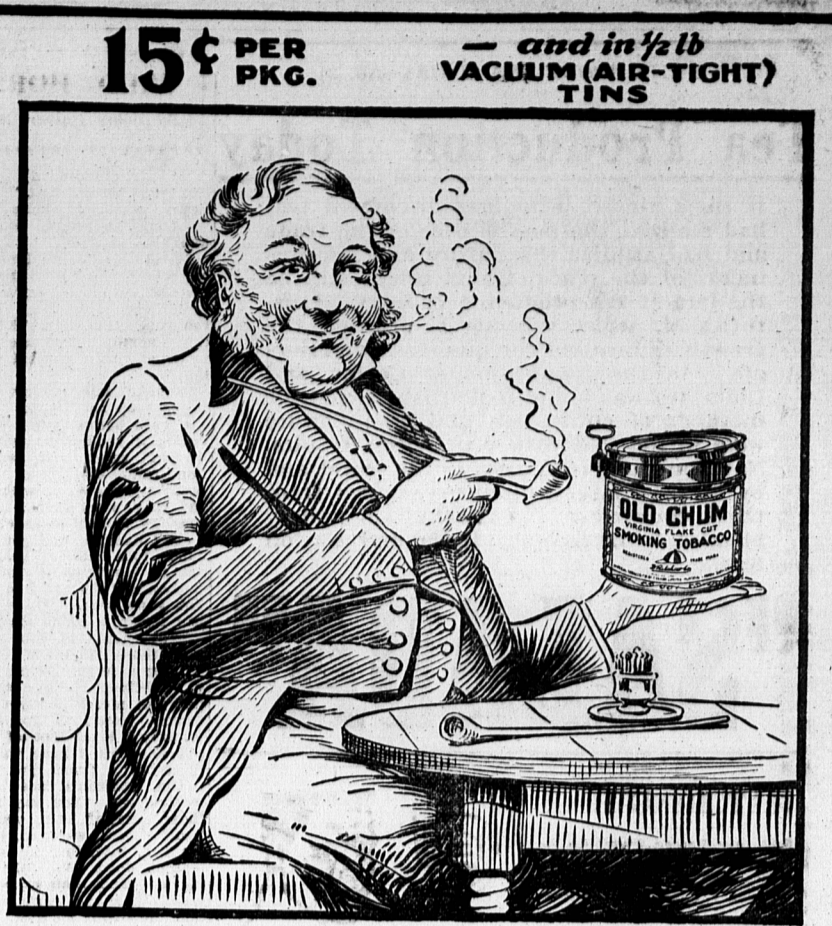
Love's wondrous name; This under youth's glad reign; With all the valleys turning into green— This to have heard and seen! And Song! Once to have known what every awakened bird Has heard; Once to have entered into that great harmony Of love's creation, and to feel The pulsing waves of wonder steal Through all my being; once to be In that same sea Of awakened joy that stirs in every tree

And every bird; and then to sing— To sing along the endless Song of Spring!

Waiting, I turn to Thee, Expectant, humble, and on bended knee; Youth's radiant fire Only to burn at thy unknown desire— For this alone has Song been granted me. Upon thy altar burn me at Thy will;

All wonders fill My cup, and it is Thine; Life's precious wine For Thee. Yet never can be paid The debt long laid Upon my heart, because my lips did press In youth's glad Spring the Cup of loveliness!

—Thomas S. Jones, Jr.



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