EASTERTIDE

Oh, rare as the splendor of lilies,
And sweet as the violet's breath,
Comes the jubilant morning of Easter
A triumph of life over death,
For fresh from the earth's quickened bosom
Full baskets of flowers we bring,
And scatter their satin-soft petals
To carpet a path for our King.

We have groped through the twilight of sorrow,
Have tasted the Marah of tears,
But lo! in the gray of the dawning
Breaks the hope of our long silent years.
And the loved and the lost we thought perished,
Who vanished afar in the night,
Will return in the beauty of springtime,
To beam on our rapturous sight.

In the countless green blades of the meadow,
The sheen of the daffodil's gold,
In the tremulous blue on the mountains,
The opaline mist on the wold.
In the tinkle of brooks through the pasture,
The river's strong sweep to the sea,
Are signs of the day that is hasting
In gladness to you and to me.

So dawn in thy splendor of lilies,
Thy fluttering violet breath,
Oh, jubilant morning of Easter,
Thou triumph of life over death!
For fresh from the earth's quickened bosom,
Full baskets of flowers we bring,
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—Margaret E. Sangster.

All for the Child.

Those interested in the welfare of our country during these trying years of industrial and social unrest regard the welfare of our children as the greatest problem of the day. Throughout the country, thoughtful men and women are gathering in Home and School Associations to plan better ways of meeting the educational needs of a changing world. This co-operation of parents and teachers, those most deeply concerned in the future of the boys and girls, has become a powerful factor in the solution of the problem.

During Easter week the Ontario Federation of Home and School Associations will meet in Toronto with other great educational bodies of the Dominion and the province. This section will meet in Knox College, Monday afternoon. The evening session in conjunction with the O. E. A. in Convocation Hall will be addressed by Lady Baden-Powell, London, England, Chief Girl Guide of the British Empire, on "The Girl Guide at Work and at Play," and Dr. A. S. Lamb, Director of Physical Education, McGill University, Montreal, on "Education and the Playground." Tuesday afternoon's session will discuss Health Education of Children. Addresses will be given by Miss G. M. Cartright, Director of Physical Education, McGill College, Montreal; Miss Edith M. Walker, Director of Public School Health Education, Rochester, N.Y.; Miss A. M. Connor, District Superintendent of the Department of Public Health, Toronto.

The Tuesday evening session in Convocation Hall will be addressed by Dr. G. W. Kerby, Mt. Royal College, Calgary, on "The Educational Challenge," and by Lieut.-General Sir Robert Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scout Movement, on "Boy Scouting as an Integral Part of Education."

Religious education will be taken up in conjunction with the trustees' section.

On Thursday forenoon, a conference on "Home Making for Girls" will be addressed by Miss Helen Goodspeede of Drexel Institute, Philadelphia. Luncheons will be addressed by specialists in elementary training for children and by school inspectors.

A conference of representatives from the various provinces will discuss the formation of a national federation of Home and School Associations. Any one interested may attend any of these sessions. For further information address Prof. J. A. Dale, Social Service Department, Toronto University, or Mrs. A. C. Courtice, 109 Beech Avenue, Toronto.

Crabs chew their food with their legs.

PROGRAMME OF THE 36TH CONVENTION

Ontario School Trustees' and Ratepayers' Association — Convocation Hall, University of Toronto.

Monday, April 2nd, 1923.—"The Child in the Midst," W. M. Morris. "The Environment of the Child," Miss Ethel M. Chapman, Assistant-Secretary of Women's Institutes. "The Underprivileged and Handicapped Child of the City," Mrs. W. E. Groves, Member of Board of Education, Toronto. "The Hot Lunch," Albert H. Leake, Department of Education, Toronto.

Monday Evening, April 2nd—Chairman His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. The subject of the program will be "Physical Education," and addresses will be delivered by Arthur S. Lambe, M.B., B.P.E., of McGill University, Montreal, Lady Baden-Powell, Chief of the Girl Guides, London, England.

Tuesday Morning, April 3rd—Business Session.

Tuesday Afternoon, April 3rd—The four sections will meet separately.

School Attendance Officers' Section.—An Explanation of the Act, Major J. P. Cowles. The Duties and Opportunities of a School Attendance Officer, A. T. MacNeill, Woodstock. Status and Qualifications of Attendance Officers, Cecil Bethune, Ottawa. Remuneration of Attendance Officers, James Crockard, Sarnia. Discussion, Resolutions and Election of Officers.

Rural Section—Address, Professor Leitch of Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. "The Trustee of the Sixth Concession," Dr. J. B. Dandeno, Inspector of Elementary Agricultural Classes, Department of Education. "The Rural School Situation in Ontario," W. J. Karr, B.A., B.Ped., Director of Rural School Organization, Toronto. Discussion led by J. A. Carroll, B.S.A., Brampton. Reports of Committees and Election of Officers.

Secondary Section—"The Education of Adolescents," M. A. Sarsoleil, Department of Education, Toronto; Mrs. W. R. Morris, Peterboro; Judge J. H. Scott, Perth. Discussions and Resolutions. Election of Officers.

Urban Section—Vice-President's Address, "School Grants and Their Distribution." "The Utilization of Practical Craftsmen for Manual Training Classes in Smaller Centres," W. A. McKenzie, Georgetown. "How Horticultural Societies May Assist in Beautifying School Properties," Dr. Bennett, St. Thomas. Discussions and Resolutions. Election of Officers.

Tuesday Evening, April 3rd—Addresses of Welcome by Hon. R. H. Grant, Minister of Education; Sir Robert Falconer, President of the University of Toronto. President's Address, J. G. Elliott. "The Educational Challenge," Dr. Geo. W. Kerby, B.A., Principal of Mount Royal College, Calgary. Address by Sir Robert Baden-Powell, Chief of the Boy Scouts, London, England.

Wednesday Morning, April 4th,—"School Attendance," Major J. P. Cowles, Chief School Attendance Officer of Ontario. "The Teaching of Music in the Schools," Duncan MacKenzie, Supervisor of Music for Toronto schools. "The Public School System of New Zealand," N. R. McKenzie, New Zealand, who is now studying the Ontario system. Resolutions.

Wednesday Afternoon, April 4th,—"The Value of the School to the Life of the Nation," Hon. H. J. Cody, Toronto. "The Religious Education of the School Child," Rev. Manson Doyle, Toronto. Discussion and Resolutions.

Wednesday Evening, April 4th,—Inaugural Session of the National Conference on Character Education in Massey Hall. Chairman, Vincent Massey, M.A., Vice-President of the National Council of Education. "An Impression of What Is," H. M. Tory, M.A., D. Sc., LL.D., F.R.S.C., President of the University of Alberta. Sir Michael Sadler, K.C.S.I., C.B., LL.D., Vice-Chancellor of the University of Leeds, England. The Mendelssohn Choir, under the direction of Dr. H. A. Fricker, M.A., F.R.C.O., will render special music for the occasion.

Thursday Morning, April 5th.—Unfinished Business. Fraternal Greetings from the Associations of the other Provinces. Reports of Committees. Election of Officers.

Spiral Blades.

Spiral blades on the bottom of a new metal fence post enable it to be screwed into hard ground, plates holding it motionless afterward.

"WHY SEEK YE THE LIVING AMONG THE DEAD?"

There was a great earthquake: for the Angel of the Lord descended from Heaven and came and rolled back the stone from the door and sat upon it. And the Angel said unto the women, "He is not here: for He is risen. Come, see the place where the Lord lay."

FOOLING MRS. PERKINS

It was April Fool's Day, and Buddy and Pen felt forlorn. They had not fooled anyone yet. They had tied an empty pocketbook to one end of a string and left it lying on the sidewalk while they hid behind the fence and held the other end of the string, but no one had picked up the pocketbook. Everyone seemed to know it was a joke. They had tried a good many other tricks, too, but so far not a single person had they fooled.

"It is no better than the 1st of March," said Buddy.

"Or the 1st of September," said Pen.

Buddy tipped his cap back and scratched his head the way his father did when he was thinking. They must fool some one before the day was over!

When the two playmates reached Buddy's gate they looked up and down the street hopefully. The only person in sight was old Mr. Perkins, who was coming up the street with a big basket in one hand and a cane in the other. Presently the old gentleman reached the spot where they stood. He set his basket down.

"Pretty warm for April, isn't it, children?" he said and pulled his handkerchief out and wiped his face. When he put his handkerchief back he suddenly clapped his hand on another pocket.

"There!" he said. "I forgot all about that money order. I shall have to go way back to the post office and attend to it."

He gave such a sigh that Pen and Buddy wished they could go back for him.

"Could you watch this basket while I'm gone?" asked Mr. Perkins. "It's pretty heavy to carry back so far."

"Yes, sir, we will," the children promised, and they were glad that there was something they could do. Mr. Perkins thanked them and went off; they could hear the click of his cane long after he had turned the corner.

"And still there's nobody to fool!" Buddy said with a sigh almost as deep as Mr. Perkins's sigh had been.

"And now we can't even leave to look for anybody," said Pen. "We've got to stay and watch this basket."

Just then Buddy happened to catch sight of his express wagon over by the porch. "I know what we'll do!" he cried. "We'll fool Mr. Perkins himself!"

Pen looked shocked. "O Buddy!" she said reproachfully.

"You just wait a minute!" Buddy replied. He ran into the yard and drew the wagon out to the sidewalk. Then he lifted the basket into it.

"Come along!" he said with a smile. "You come right along with me!"

Pen did not know what to make of her playmate, but she turned and followed him as he went hurrying up the street, dragging the wagon behind him.

"O dear!" she thought. "He's running away with poor Mr. Perkins's groceries! What will Mrs. Perkins say!"

After a while they came to a little white house at the end of the square, and there Buddy turned in.

"Why, this is Mr. Perkins's house!" Pen said.

Buddy rang the bell, and when the old lady opened the door he handed the basket to her.

"Mr. Perkins had to go back to the post office," he explained, "and so I brought his basket home for him."

When the two children got back to Buddy's gate there stood Mr. Perkins looking about him in surprise and disappointment.

"I can't find my basket, Buddy," he said. "You didn't let anyone take it, did you?"

"Somebody did take it!" said Pen, laughing.

"April fool!" Buddy cried. "I took it home for you myself!"

Mr. Perkins laughed, too. "That's the best April fooling I ever had," he said. Then he hobbled along home, with his cane tapping on the walk.

"Who says we haven't fooled anybody?" said Buddy, turning suddenly to Pen.—Irene S. Woodcock, in Youth's Companion.

To Popularize C.N.R.

Walter S. Thompson, appointed Director of Publicity for the Canadian National Railways. He was formerly publicity agent for the Grand Trunk.

Preserving Canada's History

Professor Adam Shortt, a Canadian-born scholar of exceptional attainments, is chairman of the Board of Historical Publications at Ottawa. To that important work he has brought a keen, cultured and sympathetic mind. He is a writer on matters of history and political economy, and makes his home in Ottawa.

When the Crows Come Back

I can stand it well enough in the dark of the year,
When I know the earth is frost-bound and the woods are sere;
Though even then I'm thinking of the sledding track—
But my heart grows sick with longing when the crows come back.

I listen, listen, listen, as I walk the streets.
Oh, I know the lark's note well enough—it's rare and sweet;—
And I love to hear the robins, with their saucy clack—
But something grips my heartstrings when the crows come back.

And twice good luck has found me as I walked the street;
Far overhead their wings went, with their steady beat.
"Unhalting and unresting," with a good ship's tack—
And I heard it like a whisper: "We've come back, come back!"

O Mother Earth, dear Mother, with your cool, soft arms,
When the grass waves, and the wind sings, and the sunlight warms,
I am sick for you, I pine for you, and most I lack
All your light and love and comfort when the crows come back!

—Margaret Vandergrift.

The Man Who Sings.

Give us, oh give us, the man who sings at his work! Be his occupation what it may, he is equal to any of those who follow the same pursuit in silent sullenness. He will do more in the same time—he will persevere longer. One is scarcely sensible of fatigue whilst he marches to music. The very stars are said to make harmony as they revolve in their spheres. Wondrous is the strength of cheerfulness, altogether past calculation its powers of indurance. Efforts, to be permanently useful, must be uniformly joyous—a spirit all sunshine — graceful from very gladness — beautiful because bright.—Carlyle.

SIGNS OF SPRING

There's a joyous note in the vibrant breeze,
In the softened winds of spring;
There's a vivid green in the grass and trees,
Where the birds have come to sing.

There's a fairer tinge to the azure skies,
Whence the breath of cold hath fled;
There's a sweet, glad hush as the winter dies—
A requiem to the dead.

To life once more springs bud and vine—
The urge to strive and grow;
And hope once more in love benign
Is attuned to the heart below.

—A. D. Garrison.

Weekly Market Report

Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1.23½.
Manitoba oats—Nominal.
Manitoba barley—Nominal.
All the above, track, Bay ports.
American corn—No. 3 yellow, 91c; No. 2, 89c.
Barley—Malting, 59 to 61c, according to freights outside.
Buckwheat—No. 2, 75 to 77c.
Rye—No. 2, 79 to 81c.
Peas—No. 2, $1.45 to $1.50.
Millfeed—Del., Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, $26; shorts, per ton, $28; middlings, $28.50; good feed flour, $2.
Ontario wheat—No. 2 white, $1.14 to $1.16, according to freights outside.
Ontario No. 2 white oats—49 to 51c.
Ontario corn—Nominal.
Ontario flour—Ninety per cent. pat., in jute bags, Montreal, prompt shipment, $5.10 to $5.20; Toronto basis, $5.05 to $5.15; bulk, seaboard, $4.95 to $5.
Manitoba flour—1st pats., in cotton sacks, $7.10 per bbl.; 2nd pats., $6.60.
Hay—Extra, No. 2, per ton, track, Toronto, $14; mixed, $11; clover, $8.
Straw—Car lots, per ton, track, Toronto, $9.
Cheese—New, large, 30c; twins, 30½c; triplets, 32c; Stiltons, 33c. Old, large, 31 to 32c; twins, 33 to 34c; Stiltons, 35c.
Butter—Finest creamery prints, 54 to 56c; ordinary creamery prints, 51 to 53c; Dairy, 35 to 38c. Cooking, 25c.
Eggs—New laids, loose, 37 to 38c; new laids, in cartons, 41 to 42c.
Live poultry—Chickens, milk-fed, over 5 lbs., 25c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 25c; do, over 5 lbs., 24c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 21 to 24c; do, 2 to 4 lbs., 18 to 21c; hens, over 5 lbs., 31c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 29c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 23c; roosters, 23c; ducklings, over 5 lbs., 33c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 28c; turkeys, young, 10 lbs., and up, 31c; do, old, 18c; geese, 18c.
Dressed poultry—Chickens, milk-fed, 35c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 33c; do, over 5 lbs., 30c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 25c; do, 2 to 4 lbs., 25c; hens, over 5 lbs., 30c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 30c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 25c; roosters, 25c; ducklings, over 5 lbs., 35c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 33c; turkeys, young, 10 lbs. and up, 42c; geese, 25c.
Oleomargarine, lb., 21 to 27c.
Beans—Canadian, hand-picked, lb., 7c; primes, 6½c.
Maple products—Syrup, per imp. gal., $2.50; per 5-gal. tin, $2.40 per gal. Maple sugar, lb., 23 to 25c.
Honey—60-lb. tins, 11½ to 12c per lb.; 5-2½-lb. tins, 12½ to 13½c per lb.; Ontario comb honey, per doz., $3.75 to $4.50.
Potatoes, Ontarios—No. 1, 90c to $1.00; No. 2, 80 to 90c.
Smoked meats—Hams, med., 26 to 29c; cooked hams, 36 to 42c; smoked rolls, 26 to 28c; cottage rolls, 32 to 35c; breakfast bacon, 30 to 33c; special brand breakfast bacon, 35 to 38c; backs, boneless, 34 to 40c.
Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 50 to 70 lbs., $18.50; 70 to 90 lbs., $18; 90 lbs. and up, $17; lightweight rolls, in barrels, $38; heavyweight rolls, $35.
Lard—Pure tierces, 16 to 16½c; tubs, 16½ to 17c; pails, 17 to 17½c; prints, 18½c. Shortening, tierces, 14¾ to 15¼c; tubs, 15¼ to 15¾c; pails, 15¾ to 16¼; prints, 17¾ to 18¼c.
Heavy steers, choice, $7.50 to $8; butcher steers, choice, $6 to $6.50; do, good, $5.50 to $6; do, med., $5 to $5.50; do, com., $4 to $5; butcher heifers, choice, $6 to $6.50; do, med., $5 to $5.50; do, com., $4 to $5; butcher cows, choice, $4 to $5; do, med., $3 to $4; canners and cutters, $1.50 to $2; butcher bulls, good, $4 to $5; do, com., $3 to $4; feeding steers, good, $6 to $6.50; do, fair, $5.50 to $6; stockers, good, $5 to $5.50; do, fair, $4 to $5; calves, choice, $11 to $13; do, med., $8 to $10; do, com., $4 to $8; milch cows, choice, $70 to $90; springers, choice, $80 to $100; lambs, choice, $13 to $14; do, spring, each, $16; sheep, choice, $7.50 to $8; do, culls, $4 to $5; hogs, fed and watered, $9.50 to $10; do, f.o.b., $8.75 to $9.25; do, country points, $8.50 to $9.
Hog quotations are based on the prices of thick, smooth hogs, sold on a graded basis, or selects, sold on a flat rate. Bacon selects, sold on the graded basis, bring a premium of 10 per cent. over the price of thick, smooth hogs.

Montreal.

Oats, Can. Western, No. 2, 64 to 65c; Can. Western, No. 3, 59 to 60c; extra No. 1 feed, 56 to 57c; No. 2 local white, 54 to 55c. Flour, Man. spring wheat pats., 1sts, $7.10; 2nds, $6.60; strong bakers, $6.40; winter pats., choice, $6.25. Rolled oats, bag 90 lbs., $3.15 to $3.25. Bran, $26 to $28. Shorts, $28 to $30. Middlings, $33 to $35. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, $13 to $14.
Cheese, finest easterns, 27½ to 28c. Butter, chicest creamery, 48½ to 49c. Eggs, selected, 39c. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, $1.
Com. dairy cows, $3; good fat cows, $4.50; choice lambs, $12; calves, med., $6 to $7; do, com., $5; good butcher and select hogs, $10.25 to $10.50; thick fat western Canada sows, $8.

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