

*Tis spring when love controls*

from Scene I of *Daughter of the South* (opera in one act and two scenes) [1939]

Edward Joseph Collins, music and words

**Chorus sopranos**

'Tis spring when love controls the hearts of men

**Chorus tenors**

and earth pours forth her rich green hoard When robins sing to burst their throats, And all things  
wake to life renewed

**Chorus**

The springtime of life

Is the springtime of love

And airy and light are the dancing feet that are carried along  
on the golden wings of delirious youth!

The springtime of life

Is the springtime of love

And airy and light are the dancing feet  
that are carried along  
on the golden wings of delirious youth!

Ah springtime of life

Ah springtime of life

Ah springtime of love!

'Tis spring when love controls the hearts of men When earth pours forth her rich green hoard  
When robins sing to burst their throats,

Ah springtime of life!

Ah springtime of life!

When love controls the hearts of men