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"To preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage"

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THE N. A. M. A. EXECUTIVE MEETING OF

A meeting of the executive officers of the N. A. M. A. was held at the Hotel Stevens, Chicago, on October 9th, our president, Mr. Dan Teare, having called the meeting on his return from the island.

President Teare presided and there were present: Dr. J. J. Moore, Chicago, vice-president; John R. Cain, Cleveland, second vice-president; Fred Boyde, Chicago, treasurer; Art B. Kelly, Cleveland, secretary; also Mr. Peter Watterson and T. Kewley of the Chicago Manx Society.

Owing to ill-health, the president tendered his resignation, feeling he would be unable to carry out the duties in the manner he had so fondly hoped to do. The feeling of the meeting was that the resignation should not be accepted, and the vice-presidents pledged him 100 per cent co-operation and expressed the hope that on his return to his home in California he would rapidly regain his health. The other officers joined in this wish and Mr. Teare withdrew his resignation.

Mr. Teare spoke in glowing terms of the trip to the island, the wonderof the trip to the island, the wonder-ful reception, and the fine time all the party had. He spoke of the many kindnesses shown and believed it would be the means of creating a warmer feeling between the home-folk and the Manx people on this

He expressed deep regret that his health would not permit him to visit all the Manx societies as he had planned, but promised he would personally write all the societies informing them of his plans for the future and asking for their full support and co-operation.

It was decided that the first vicepresident and treasurer sign all checks.

Vice-President Cain suggested various means of creating new interest in the N. A. M. A., among them being a continent-wide appeal for support from the members of existing Manx societies and also all Manx people not affiliated with any society. In the latter case, where a few Manx people lived in a certain radius, he suggested the formation of new Manx societies, the initial cost to be advanced by the N. A. M. A. He also dwelt on the possibility of getting a complete list of all of the members of the Manx societies and those of our Manx people who were not members of any

society. This list would serve several purposes. It would get those not members of a society in touch with the nearest Manx society and also act as a source of information for all our members. This co-operation would eventually go far to build our own association.

Then in the Bulletin to strive hard to get news from every place where our Manx people have settled and personal items about our people there. Perhaps a question and answer column where information re relatives, friends, business conditions or, in fact, anything wished known could be passed on to our readers. This was the real reason for the formation of all national or international organizations. He hoped by the end of 1931 they would have a membership of 1,000.

A discussion regarding our 1931 convention at Buffalo was also entered into. The question arose as to whether the present industrial depression would tend to keep many of our Manx from attending. It was suggested that an expression be taken by the officers of the Cleveland, Chicago, Toronto, Buffalo, Montreal, London, Ont., Akron, Northeastern Ohio societies at their meeting regarding this convention and through the Bulletin secure an expression from the individual members. It was sug-gested that August be chosen as the Convention date.

It was decided that congratulations and a suitable gift be forwarded to Mr. A. D. Kenna, secretary of the World's Manx Association, whose wedding was solemnized in Douglas last month. Mr. Kenna's courtesy and efficient service to the homecomers will always be remembered.

Mr. T. A. Cretney and Mr. W. H. Kelly, of Cleveland, were appointed auditors for 1931.

Regional directors for the ensuing year were then appointed, and their names appear below this article. It is hoped they will all serve, and do all they can to forward our work.

This concluded the business, all the officers wishing President Teare a safe trip to California and a speedy return to health.

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An Editorial!

We had hoped to have an article from our president for this issue, but unfortunately he has not recovered sufficiently to give our readers his programme for this coming year. We all know our president is 100 per cent interested in the Manx of this continent and he has made the objects of the association his greatest hobby. He is hoping to create the feeling of one large family, all interested in each other and things Manx—to help as far as possible each other, whether in our societies or the lone Manxman and his wife out in the Panhandle districts or in the northern parts of Canada. This can be done through our Bulletin and we are asking you to furnish us the names of Manx or of Manx descent so we can forward them a little Manx news of what their friends are doing in the other parts of our great continent.

We have new societies forming in Denver, Colo., and Detroit, Mich. We are asking all Manx people in these districts to join these societies. You will be surprised what pleasure you will have building up these societies and getting the good times that go with them, meeting your ain-folk once a month and having that "cooish" every Manxman and Manxwoman enjoys. You feel young again and you get that feeling through joining the Manx Society in your city and enjoying the friendship of old friends.

If you have a number of Manx in your district, get in touch with your nearest director and we will help you to form a Manx Society among yourselves. It does not matter how small, get started and you may be surprised how you can grow. The initial meeting of the Northeastern Ohio Manx Society was five members. Now they have a membership of over 200. "It can be done."

Come on you, and you, and you. Everyone put his shoulder to the wheel and success cannot be denied us.

A. B. KELLY, Secretary. 2711 Dover Ave., Cleveland.

Special Notice!

T. E. Brown Night In Cleveland!

YOU ARE INVITED!

In keeping with our pledge to do all we can to create increased interest in the N. A. M. A., we are sponsor for the Cleveland T. E. Brown Night on Hollantide Fair Night, November 12th, in the News Auditorium, East 18th and Superior Avenue, at 7:45 o'clock. This will take the form of an entertainment and dance.

Chair to be taken by Dr. J. J. Moore, Chicago Vice-President of N. A. M. A,

We also hope Mrs. E. A. Coole, President of the Buffalo Manx Society will be present.

We cordially invite all the Manx of Cleveland, Akron, Northeastern Ohio and, in fact, all the Manx people who can come. We promise you a good evening's enjoyment. Come early if you wish to secure a seat. Music by Tomson's Orchestra.

Admission Free!

Mona's Mutual Benefit Society, Cleveland, Ohio

A very enjoyable entertainment under the auspices of the above society was held on Saturday evening, October 18th. Over 300 attended and were rewarded by a splendid evening's enjoyment. Judge Alva R. Corlett presided over the entertainment and gave a fine address. Mr. L. H. Collister, County Treasurer, also addressed the meeting. Refreshments were served and everyone did full justice to the good things provided.

Additional To Constitution Adopted at 1930 Convention

The committee on constitution and by-laws respectfully submit the following amendments to the by-laws, for consideration:

- Executive meetings shall be called by the President, or whenever any three members request the same through the President, the reason for such call to be stated.
- 2. Whenever any member of the Executive is unable to attend a called meeting, he may appoint a member of the Association to act in his or her office.
- 3. That all officers of the N. A. M. A. shall be elected at the regular annual convention and shall be elected by a standing vote or by secret ballot.
- That all expenditures shall be made, when duly authorized by a majority of the Executives.
- All questions on debate shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.
 Respectfully submitted,

R. H. GREGGOR, Chairman E. C. KILLIP. JAMES S. CANNELL. WM. F. QUINE.

Congratulations!

We congratulate Judge Alva R. Corlett on his election to Judge of the Common Pleas court, also Larry Collister on his re-election as Treasurer of Cuyahoga County and Allen Corlett, who heads the list of State Representatives.

We are proud of these fine Manxmen.

Financial Report Of 1930 Home-Going Trip!

Receipts

Commission from White Star Co. for passengers\$	2384.75
Sale of three privilege tickets	
Donation to Montreal banquet	
Refund by Mr. Dan Teare	2.50
Total\$2918.20	
Disbursements	
Banquet at Queen's Hotel, Montreal, room service\$361.25	
Taxicab and redcap service	
Luggage, passenger transfer from Queen's Hotel to S. S. Doric	90.00
Transportation of officers of N. A. M. A., for meeting at Queen's Hotel	150.15
Canada Steamship Co., Quebec to Montreal	37.05
Entertainment and expenses aboard S. S. Doric	121.75
Printing National Anthems	5.00
To Isle of Man Examiner for distributing Examiner and Times covering Convention	55 VV
For conveyances to King Williams College on July 1, St. John's and the Nunnery on July 5th; Tree planting; Wreaths for National Cenotaph and Douglas War Memorials. To L. C. Meyer for 300 K. W. C.; Incidentals and postage	300.00
Check to Los Angeles Society for privilege ticket	175.00

Six privilege tickets were received. The following societies received same. Mona's Relief Society, Cleveland; Mona's Mutual Benefit and Ladies Auxiliary, Cleveland, (jointly); Chicago Manx Society and Los Angeles Manx Society. The other two tickets were sold, together with the Los Angeles ticket, for which cash was paid to that society as per statement.

Total Receipts \$2918.25
Total Disbursements 1270.70

Balance ____\$1647.55

Report of Committee On Organization Adopted at 1930 Convention

The Committee on Organization met Thursday, 9:30 A. M. and discussed matters of individual membership and society membership. Regional organization serious matter. We strongly recommend each individual eligible for membership in the N. A. M. A. and not already a member, should pay his membership fee and belong to this Society before leaving the Island.

A. CALLOW, Chairman.
J. J. CORLETT.
JOHN STEPHEN.
FRANK F. CLEATOR. Secv.

Contemporary Manx Life During The Boyhood and Youth of T. E. Brown

November the twelfth, Hollantide Fair Night, is celebrated the world over as T. E. Brown Night. Many of us who were privileged to visit the Island this summer and be present at that wonderful gathering at the Villa Marina grounds, learned many fine things of the life of this great Manxman. Believing all of our readers will be interested in knowing more about T. E. Brown, we reprint below a very fine article written by Miss Gertrude Cannell, 1492 Robinwood Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, and read at a recent T. E. Brown entertainment in Cleveland.

It is now a hundred years since Tom Brown was a boy, and the Isle of Man has seen tremendous changes in that time. Some landmarks remain—Old Kirk Braddan stands just as it did when he lived there, and we know the roads round about which he describes for us, the long walk to Injebreck and round by the Strang, the lights of Douglas glimmering below in the twilight,—but what a different Douglas!

Douglas!

It was always the big event of the week for the farmer was going to Douglas market on Saturday. What a sight it must have been to see the carts and gigs in front of the Saddle Inn (which by the way is still there), and in fact all along the North Quay from the Bridge to the Market Place. Some of the farmers came in on horseback, carrying baskets of fresh meat slung on either side. That old open air market on the North Quay, under the shadow of Old St. Matthew's Church must have been a busy and picturesque scene. The farmers' wives in sunbonnets and big aprons presided over stalls piled with rolls of yellow butter done up in cabbage leaves; eggs and chickens; vegetables and bunches of old fashioned cottage garden flowers. Further on was the Fish Market—loads of herring shining like silver in the sun, and the cod lined up on the clean cobblestone!

In some ways, however, Douglas was not so

like silver in the sun, and the cod lined up on the clean cobblestones I In some ways, however, Douglas was not so much the "big town" of the Island as it is today. Castletown was the capital, and there the Governor had his residence. The Island jail was in Castle Rushen. Ramsey—Royal Ramsey—had distinction conferred upon it by the visit of Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort in 1847. The mines at Laxey and Foxdale were in full swing. Port St. Mary was a flourishing fishing town, but first and foremost of the Island's fishing ports came Peel. They built the fishing boats at Peel, too, in those days. The narrow winding streets of Old Peel are still there, it was a very small town then, but busy and thriving. Even today it is an impressive sight to see the Peel herring fleet putting out from the Harbour—what must it have been in those days, when the Herring was King of the Sea indeed, and Peel at the summit of its glory. The boats ventured far from home, they were to be seen at the fishing grounds at Kinsale and Thurso, where the Manx boats were known by their "squaresail" rig. The departure of the herring fleet was marked by special services in the churches, and as we all know, it was the custom, when the boats were clear of the Harbour, for all hands to kneel in prayer.

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Religious observance governed nearly all their activities in those days. On the first day of the ploughing season the clerk of the parish was in attendance on the field to sing a verse or two of the Psalms. They kept the Sabbath rigidly, even the old women put away their spinning wheels at six o'clock on Saturday night, not to be touched until Monday. It was the worst of bad luck for a woman to spin during the Christmas season.

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It must have been pretty stiff work traversing the roads which existed at that time. The little railway which we regard with so much amusement—and pride—was not laid until about 1870, and our forefathers, if they had no horse and cart, had to tramp it, or if their destination was on the main highways, travel by coach. It would seem that news would not travel very fast under those conditions. Before the "Isle of Man Times" came into existence there was a paper called the "Manx Sun" but I am afraid many suns would rise and set before that paper could penetrate into the glens and hillsides. But we Manx like to know what's going on, and in every community there was an old man or woman who made a business of retailing all the "newses and sudden deathses" of the parish in exchange

for a meal and a seat by the "chimbley," trudging thus from farm to farm and from cottage to cottage, with ears open for every fresh scrap of gossip they could catch.

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A strange way of earning a living, perhaps, but it was about the only contact many people had with other folk and events, and life is dull without some little distraction. Of course there were the two big fairs—Tynwald Fair and Hollantide—when the whole Island turned out to transact business and also have a jolly good time; there were the parochial tea parties, which are still quite an institution; and there were great celebrations at Christmastime. Harvesting season was a busy time for the farmer. With no reaping implements other than home made devices, it was necessary to enlist the services of every man, woman and child available, and a whole countryside would unite in mutual assistance to get the grain under cover before the bad weather commenced. Then after the harvest was in came the "mhelliah,"—feasting, rejoicing and merrymaking for all.

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We can take it for granted that the youngsters worked hard in those days. Many duties on the farm fell to their share, and the fishermens children had to help in the making and mending of the nets. The boys were not very big before they went out with father to the fishing and learned to handle a "nicky." They were sent to school, too, the Clothworkers' School at Peel was flourishing then, and there were some good Church schools at Douglas and the other towns. But it is hard to imagine what was actually taught or learned at those village schools presided over by such worthies as Danny Bewildher—"Latthars, what's latthars, bewilder'n the childher?" Or even under Jemmy Jem Clukish, who could teach mensuration, navigation and everything else, "Taech it, ay, like a bird, but ye could'n understan' a word," and incidentally he worked during school hours at his trade of tailor.

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They scamper through all his Yarns,—Maggie and 'Markey the Bird" playing up at the Lhergy, Tommy Big-Eyes and Nellie Crellin trudging to the school, Betsey Lee on the sands at Derbyhaven, toddling around by the boats. He must have always been looking back with longing to his own young days in the Island, and living them over again with these youngsters.

-- "And sometimes a lot of us taking hands And racin' like mad things over the sands."

Their childhood was his childhood and ours also—a common heritage of our Island home which will never change. We can have electric lights in Douglas and a moving picture house in Peel, motor busses linking up the villages and radios bringing the news of the world to the farm houses,—

"But there are rocks and waves at Scarlett still, And gorse runs riot in Glen Chass, thank God!"

And the things which are really Manx are as Manx now as they were in Tom Brown's boyhood, and will be as long as the purple mists veil the Island coast, and Bradda rises frowning from the sea.

You and your friends are invited to attend the

Annual Manx Festival of the Combined Cleveland Societies

FRIDAY, DECEMBER FIFTH

Chamber of Commerce Club Rooms 14th Floor, Terminal Tower Bldg.

> Dinner at Seven, followed by Entertainment and Dancing

Annual Banquet of the Chicago Manx Society Saturday Evening, December 6

at Stevens Restaurant
East Washington Street

Los Angeles Society

The Summer of 1930 will stand out for all time as a landmark in the annals of Manx History. Never before was there such a pilgrimage to the old Homeland, never before was there such a welcome extended to Manxmen and Manxwomen returning to the scenes of their childhood, as on that beautiful Sabbath day in June when thousands of our friends assembled on the Victoria Pier, Douglas, to greet exiles from Mona who were coming from every corner of Canada and the United States.

It was wonderful to be home again, meeting mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, and friends, and associates of our youth we loved all through the years of absence. Our love for the old homeland grows warmer as time rolls on.

We in Los Angeles who were unable to make the pilgrimage were nevertheless very much interested in all the doings of our friends from the moment their train sped on its way to Montreal. Later we were thrilled to hear that our beloved president, Mr. Daniel Teare, had been elected president of the N. A. M. A. Then news bulletins confirmed our firm belief that Mr. Teare would achieve as great a success as president of the N. A. M. A. as he had done as president of the Los Angeles Manx Society.

When we bid Mr. Teare adieu on June 9th at the Santa Fe station we realized that he was not as well as we would wish, but felt that the bracing ocean breezes combined with the island's beauty and being surrounded by friends he loved so well, would fill him with new vigor and strength. We were indeed sorry when serious illness overtook him and he was compelled to seek the care of that great institution, Nobles Hospital, in Douglas. Our good friend has now returned to his Los Angeles home, and at the time of writing he is confined to his bed, and we are informed it will be many weeks before he can again take up his work in the N. A. M. A., work that he loves so well and which would have been a great source of pleasure to him.

The Los Angeles Manx Society is again embarked on another year of social activities. Our members have returned home again after summer vacations, especially the home-going trip. On September 26, 1930, we held our annual meeting, when about eighty members again unanimously elected the same officers that have held sway for several years, as follows: Mr. Daniel Teare, president; Mr. W. R. Callister, vice-president; Mr. J. Edward Storey, treasurer, and T. Donald Bain, secretary.

Inspiring talks of the home-going trip were given by Mrs. George Marrion, Mrs. Edward Storey, Mr. Joseph Rodgers and Mr. J. E. Storey.

Refreshments were served at 10:30 P. M. Around the banquet table many stories were told by homegoers, and we were loath to break away at 11:30 after such a wonderful night of fellowship with our ain-folk.

T. DONALD BAIN, Secretary.

In Reminiscent Mood!

"From the lone sheiling of that misty island

Mountains divide us, and a waste of seas. Yet still the blood is strong, the heart is Highland,

And we in dreams behold the Hebrides."

The foregoing lines were written by one of the early Scotch settlers of the Dominion and graphically describes the heart hunger of an exiled islander. True, it was not written with reference to the fair isle of Mona, yet the island was not so very far away, and at least the writer was Gaelic, therefore of the same race as the Manx. And the exile from an island—any island, if it be not too large—has the advantage—or is it a disadvantage over the exiled ones from larger places, that he can visualize the whole of it; its coastline, its mountains, its glens, its towns and hamlets. In dreams he can see it all.

Those of us who were privileged to be on the "Doric" on that Sunday morning, June 22nd, 1930, will ever remember the moment when that misty isle hove into view over the waters of the Irish Sea. But was it mistyor was it our eyes made it so? The events of that Sunday of our arrival will I think stand out as the high spot of the 1930 Homecoming to all of us who were on it. Not however, that there was anything lacking in any part of the organized programme. From the landing and customs arrangements, through the many receptions, and to the final act in the programme, it was perfect. And here let me state that no words of praise would be too extravagant in describing the efforts of Mr. A. D. Kenna towards the making of our convention the success it undoubtedly was. Nevertheless Sunday morning, June 22nd was the supreme moment for most of us for it was the realization of our dreams, come true. Time will never erase it from the memory of the writer. He had the good fortune to have along with him his better half, who incidentally was not Manx. At least not before this visit. To her then it was simply a jolly crowd going to a convention. And conventions have become more or less commonplace on the North American continent. So when the island was sighted, and by and by drew nearer, crowd going to a convention. And conventions have become more or less commonplace on the North American continent. So when the island was sighted, and by and by drew nearer, and all eyes were focused upon it, and the tension was great, she was heard to remark that she did not see anything so wonderful or beautiful about it, to excite so great comment. To her it was something of a disappointment then, for it was not treed down to the water's edge as are islands frequently on this side the Atlantic, but showed up largely as a vista of gaunt headlands and apparently bare mountains. Later, when the bay of Douglas opened out she remarked: "That that was something like." Still later in the day while driving from Douglas to Peel, she repeatedly exclaimed on the beauties of the island as new scenes of loveliness presented themselves to the eye, and finally when the time arrived that we must leave again, she was quite sure that it was the most beautiful spot on earth; as it is. spot on earth; as it is.

But to return to the arrival. When the But to return to the arrival. When the "Peel Castle" eventually took us alongside the Victoria Pier and the lady saw the assembled thousands there to welcome us, then the whole affair took on a deeper and more significant meaning. It dawned on her that this was no ordinary convention but that these people were really "coming home."

And the reception on the pier. Words are ally inadequate to describe it. It has to And the reception on the pier. Words are totally inadequate to describe it. It has to be lived, and felt. Enough to state that our feelings ran too deep for words. At Montreal, when we said good-bye to the friends who had gathered to see us off, we sang lustily "Ellan Vannin." Again at Quebec when we waved farewell to Johnnie Christian, Art Kelly, Fred Boyde and other friends who had accompanied us thus far, we sang loudly of "Ellan Vannin." And many times too while on the Atlantic we sang the same anthem vociferously. vociferously.

But when the assembled multitude on Victoria Pier struck up "Ellan Vannin," and her lovely shores lay before our gaze, and "The Hearts in Ellan Vannin, that loved us long ago" were there to welcome us, we were strangely silent. The reason: there was a lump in our throats that forbade speech, and we saw as in a mist. We had come "Home."

W. F. QUINE. Conquest, Saskatchewan.

Northeastern Ohio Manx Society Centennial Party

Over 400 people assembled at the school room of the Methodist Church, Painesville, on Friday evening, October 24th, to celebrate the 100th year birthday of one of their members, Mr. Orrin Quiggin.

There was representation from all the Cleveland and Akron Societies, and a wonderfully enjoyable evening was spent. An enormous birthday cake with 100 candles was graciously presented by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Mona's Relief Society, Cleveland.

A musical entertainment which was much enjoyed was contributed by the North Eastern Ohio Junior Manx or-chestra, the Manx Choral Society of Cleveland, solos by Mrs. Duncan Heffelfinger of Painesville and Mr. Joe Clucas of Cleveland, and a reading by Mr. A. B. Kelly of Cleveland. This reading was a contribution by Mr. Louis A. Kelly of Cleveland as a eulogy on Mr. Quiggin's life, "His Father's Friend" and the old Manx school in Newburgh Township where Mr. Quiggin went to school in 1842.

"The Old Manx School, where once you sat Has long since passed away, And heedless o'er its hallowed haunts The feet of strangers stray.

But memory builds for us again Out there upon the green The quaintest dearest old school house This world has ever seen."

Judge Alva R. Corlett's wonderful address and the presentation address of Mr. L. G. Collister, who presented Mr. Quiggin with a gold mounted ebony walking cane, given by the combined Manx Societies, concluded a splendid evening which everyone present enjoyed.

Seated on the stage as an escort to Mr. Quiggin were six Manxmen whose combined ages included with Mr. Quiggin's totaled 598 years.

May we say the thanks of all present were extended to Mr. J. H. Collister, chairman of the committee, and to Mrs. Cora Smith, secretary of the North Eastern Ohio Manx Society, who did much to make this entertain-ment the success it was.

Detroit!

We are pleased to receive a letter from Richard H. Corkill, 14903 Ohio Avenue, Detroit, that the Detroit Manx Society is a reality. He has called a meeting at his home for Tuesday, November 4th, and thirteen have signified their intention of joining this organization. This is indeed good news and we sincerely wish the Detroit Manx Society "good luck" and anything we can do to help the good cause along, please ask us. Mr. Corkill also writes that Mr. and Mrs. Sam Reynolds, 410 E. Sixth street, Royal Oak, Michigan, celebrated their silver anniversary on Saturday, October 25th. May we wish them very many happy returns.

Enjoyed The Trip!

The Homecoming trip to the Isle of Man by a happy family of homecomers was wonderfully enjoyable. St. Lawrence trip, the pleasant voyage and the unusual treat to land directly on the Island was an inspira-tion. The Island never was as beautiful to my eyes. Douglas was a metropolis and every foot of the Island was like a garden. Land under cultivation for thousands of years was like a garden, wheat, oats and barley yielding 30 and 40 bushels per acre comparing with an average of 15 or 20 bushels here. The country houses that I knew 65 years ago all white and spick and span with rose trees (not bushes) reaching to the eaves of two-story houses on most of them. Sycamore and ash trees that I was familiar with and saw daily appear just as young, fresh and thrifty as ever.

The hospitality of the people was also wonderful and I will see many of them in Chicago in 1933. I knew when I started I would have to be back by July 10th for business reasons but I wanted to go with the crowd. Next year I am going again and reach there July 1st with my two daughters and any others of the family who may wish to go.

DANIEL GAWNE,

5423 Lakewood Ave., Chicago, Ill.

From Here and There!

FROM "GUYMON." TEXAS COUNTY. OKLAHOMA

Mr. J. T. Looney writes that he and his wife came from Maughold. They lived first in Kansas but have resided in the Panhandle country farming for seven years. He wishes to be put on our mailing list as they are still Manx and always have a longing to hear about Manx doings in this country.

We will be pleased to forward Bulletins to you, Mr. Looney and also to your cousins in Clyde, Kansas, if you will send their ad-

FROM ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

Jim Collister, an old Cleveland friend, writes: "Enclosed \$1.00 for membership. Thanks for Bulletin. I enjoy same very much." He wishes to be remembered to all his old Cleveland friends. Pleased to hear from you,

FROM EDMONTON, CANADA

J. Cubbon writes that he was out visiting and collected subscription for the N. A. M. A. from a friend who is very interested in the Bulletin. He stated a blizzard was raging outside, the first of winter. Thanks Mr. Cubbon, send us some more members.

FROM ALBANY, NEW YORK

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Mr. Arthur E. Sayles writes, "It is needless
to say, I thoroughly enjoyed myself on the
trip this summer. I found so many things
that interested me. Inasmuch as I have been
to the Island several times and always had a
good time. It is all so very delightful. The
Island itself is so beautiful and the people so
kind, courteous and hospitable that I think I
would be assuming altogether too much to
even try to tell you how I was impressed.
Enclosed find check for 1931 membership."

Thanks Mr. Sayles, first member for 1931.

Cooperation!

May we make a special appeal to secretaries of our Manx Societies, to our Regional Directors and to our members to mail in any news pertaining to their societies or their districts, for publication in our Bulletin? Let us make our December Bulletin real interesting, a Christmas number.

> Sincerely yours, ART B. KELLY, Secv.