## BULLETIN

## of The North American Manx Association

# Christmas



Greetings

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

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## A Christmas Message From Our President

Dear Friends:

I regret exceedingly that not since our Great Convention held in the Isle of Man, during the month of June, have I had the opportunity of addressing you. Soon after the close of that convention it was the Divine Will that I be laid aside with sickness, both in the Isle of Man and ever since my return to Los Angeles. But I am thankful to say that while I am yet confined to my room I am much improved.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the many friends, who, in this country, and in the Isle of Man, have been inquiring after my health, and writing me beautiful letters of encouragement.

At this time of the year when the Manx Societies are holding meetings throughout the United States and Canada, the members creating for themselves much joy and pleasure, in the bringing together of old friends and acquaintances, and in the making of new friends, and especially at the coming Christmas season, do we love to so congregate, and bring to each other joyous greetings, and remembrances of other days. Is it not a gracious thing to do, for each Society to send Christmas Greetings and Good Wishes to every other Society.

It is not alone for the pleasure that we ourselves derive, that prompts us in our attendance at the meetings of our Societies, or in the work we do to keep them going, but often are we motived by the good we can do in bringing pleasure to others. And it is this thought that we must ever keep before us, if our Societies and the N. A. M. A. are to amount to anything. There must be a motive behind them to give them strength, a motive of service to our fellows, and keeping them in touch with the things that delight their hearts.

We know that wherever men and women are placed they come into contact with those whom

they can make their friends, but no matter how many acquaintances we may make, there is always the desire to come into touch with the peo-

ple whose blood is akin to ours.

There are Manx people scattered throughout the length and breadth of the United States and Canada, many living in isolated places, to whom the very thought that through the medium of the N. A. M. A. they can get into touch with the people they love and care for, which will bring them an immense amount of joy and pleasure. And any organization that can bring the Manx people of this North American Continent into contact with each other, and into touch with the Homeland, is doing something that is worth while.

But that this can be more fully brought about, that the N. A. M. A. may be able to find its place, and realize its ambitions, there must be cooperation between it and the Manx Societies, and between it and the scattered Manx people. It must have their moral support, and their financial support.

We do not think that this is asking too much of a people who are so proud of their nationality as are the Manx, nor do we think it is asking too much in a cause that can bring so much joy to so many Manx people throughout the United States and Canada. Let us then set our faces toward making the N. A. M. A. a power for good amongst us

It will be nearing the Christmas time when this poor rambling effort reaches you. My wish for you all, whither known or unknown to me, is, that God's richest blessing, health and strength, may be yours to enjoy it, and that gladness may be the portion of each one of you.

Yours Fraternally, DANIEL TEARE,

President, North American Manx Association. 445 So. Windsor Blvd., Los Angeles, Cal.

### FROM LOS ANGELES MANX SOCIETY

The Los Angeles Manx Society send greetings to all kindred Societies over the entire world. We extend to them and all Manx men and women our kindest regards and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. To any of our Countrymen who may be visiting Southern California during the winter, we extend a hearty welcome to attend our meetings and become ac-

quainted. We will do all we can to make their visit a pleasant and happy one. At the present time we are making a drive for new members and are hoping that we can increase our membership very materially.

Yours Fraternally,
T. DONALD BAIN, Secretary,
5019 Halldale Ave.

## The Spirit of the Season Brings Best Wishes

## Mona's Relief Society Cleveland

Again the Christmas season is at hand and it affords the officers and members of the Mona's Relief Society much pleasure to extend to the N. A. M. A. Executive, its members, to all Manx Societies wherever situated, and to Manx people everywhere the old old wish that is ever new—"A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year."

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This society, the oldest in the world, was founded 80 years ago on love and charity to our kinsfolk and today we rejoice because its members have through all these years kept the faith with those splendid Manx people who brought it into being.

We hope 1931 will bring to us all a greater opportunity for service and that it will also bring to all Manx Societies new records of achievement. We wish the N. A. M. A. much success.

JOHN R. CAIN, President. AMY C. QUAYLE, Sec'y, 1880 Chapman Avenue.

## Mona's Mutual Benefit Society Cleveland

The officers and members of the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society wish to convey to all Manx Societies and to Manx people everywhere their heartiest Chistmas greetings and warm wishes for prosperity in the coming year. This is the only Society in the world exclusively for Manxmen and we are very proud of the work it has accomplished and look for even better things in the future. We help Manxmen to help themselves and bind them closer together in the ties of brotherhood and cooperation. We extend to the N. A. M. A. our greetings and wish them much success.

Wish them much success.
W. H. KELLY, President.
W. H. STEPHEN, Sec'y,
1607 Hollyrood Road.

### Ladies Auxiliary, Cleveland

To the Manx people everywhere, the officers and members of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society extend warm greetings for the Christmas season and wish you a very Merry Christmas and health and happiness in the new year.

Our ladies society was formulated over thirty years ago with the thought to carry the Christmas spirit throughout the year and we believe that we are filling that mission in caring for the shutins and those who need more than just a kindly word, or shall we say a practical addition to the kindly thought. Our splendid group of ladies are always ready and willing to do everything possible for the Manx people and we know our work is appreciated.

We extend to the officers of the North American Manx Association our greetings and sincere wishes that the great work they are doing to weld together the Manx people of the North American continent, will meet with much success.

MONA A. BERTSCH, President. AMY C. QUAYLE, Sec'y,

1880 Chapman Ave.

#### Cleveland Manx Juniors

The officers and members of the Cleveland Manx Junior Society extend Christmas Greetings to all Manx boys and girls everywhere, and to the grown-ups too. The formation of our Society has provided a very splendid method of getting the young people acquainted with each other and creating an interest in the things that are Manx. We are making fine progress and will be glad to pass on to the Juniors of any Manx Society any information we can that will help them form a similar society.

MONA CRETNEY, President. ELINOR CAIN, Secretary, 488 E. 126th St.

## Chicago

The officers and members of the Chicago Manx Society wish the members of the North American Manx Association, the different Manx Societies of North America and the Manx people of Canada and the United States the Season's Greetings, and hope that the spirit of good cheer and fellowship which prevails in the heart of man at this time of year will continue to do so throughout the coming year.

The practical application of the Golden Rule is more necessary now than it has been for a long time, so Manx men and women of North America let us work charitably and cheerfully together to make the coming Christmas Merry and the New Year a Happy one.

J. J. MOORE, President. FRED BOYDE, Sec'y, 5044 Superior Street.

#### Akron

The Akron Manx Society wishes to express their sincere greetings to the N. A. M. A. for their splendid cooperation shown us through the Bulletin. Wishing 'all the officers and members, and all Manx people, our sincere greetings for a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. Fraternally,

JACK BRIDSON, President. ANNE CRELLIN, Sec'y, 296 Black St.

### Denver, Colorado

It is with great pleasure the members of the Colorado Manx Society take this opportunity to greet the North American Manx Association.

Our Society was formed in April of 1930 with three Manx persons present. The first few meetings were held in the Denver Chamber of Commerce building.

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Later it was decided by the members of our small but struggling society, to meet in the homes of our members, and at the time of writing our membership is twenty-four.

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It is the earnest desire of the members of this society to take this opportunity of wishing the North American Manx Association and kindred societies throughout the world a very Joyous Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

MARY D. CHRISTIAN, Sec'y, 1027 East 20th Avenue.

#### London, Ontario

The members of London, Canada, Manx Society with fond recollections of renewing old acquaintances and associations at Cleveland and Toronto Conventions, which proved strong links in the bond of nationality, as the result of closer fellowship and understanding, desire at this season to send to their kinsfolk in the United States and Canada

"Ollick Gennal as Blein Vie Noa"

The wandering rover, who all the world over

From country to country has been Has discovered nowhere, with thee to compare

Oh Vannin Veg Villish Veen!

T. CRINNIN, President. ROBT. J. QUAYLE, Sec'y, 859 Hamilton Rd.

#### Winnipeg

We wish to extend through your Bulletin at this time of the year on behalf of the Winnipeg Manx Society, our very best wishes that all Manx people may enjoy a very happy Christmas and that the New Year may be a whole lot brighter and more prosperous than the present one has been for many of the Manxmen and women who are spread over this North American Continent.

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We sincerely hope that our esteemed President is recovering from his recent sickness.

We extend to the executive of the N. A.

M. A. our sincere greetings and also hope that the Bulletin receives the extra support that it deserves.

Let us not lose sight of the excellent motto we have adopted "To preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage." Let us be proud of the fact that we have an association by which we can keep in touch with each other society.

Manx people are not so good at sticking together as some other races are, why, it is hard to reason out as they certainly have lots to be proud of even by just coming from such a lovely spot as the Isle of Man.

Let us all for the coming year make up our minds to stick together a little closer for our own mutual benefit and happiness.

JAMES Y. MANN, Vice Pres. MISS M. M. KILLEY, Sec'y. 96 Maryland St.

### Montreal

"Christmas comes but once a year and when it comes it brings good cheer." We all hope so. As Honorary President of the Montreal Manx Sodiety. I would like through the medium of The Bulletin to express the heartfelt wishes of our association to Manxmen and women throughout Canada and the United States. Throughout the year we have all had our joys and sorrows but now that the festive season is close upon us let us withal get the Christmas spirit. Just as God gave us His best may we endeavor to yield Him our best. This may be shown in many ways. The easiest way perhaps is o express our loving thought and wishes and then to pray that this may influence us to greater loving service.

Our thoughts go out at this time specially

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Our thoughts go out at this time specially to our President, Mr. Teare, with the wish that he may be strong to act his part and to all the officers of the N. A. M. A. and may I be permitted on account of our members o "stretch hands across the sea" and wish Mr. A. B. Crookall and the World Manx Association all the compliments of the season and I would include Manx folks everywhere in our good wishes.

"Do the work that's nearest Though it's dull at whiles Helping when we meet them Lame dogs over stiles."

In conclusion we hope Manx people everywhere will accept the best Christmas wishes of the Montreal Manx Society.

JOSEPH GAWNE, Honorary President, 468 McGill St.

## or a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

#### Vancouver

The Vancouver Manx Society sends its warmest greetings to the North American Manx Association, all Manx societies and Manx people throughout the world and wish them a Merry Christmas, and a Happy and Successful New Year, the best yet!

We would have enjoyed the T. E. Brown night with you on Hollantide Fair night in Cleveland.

Our annual banquet and concert takes place on New Year's evening. This is the most important meeting of the year, and is always well attended. We also hold a monthly whist drive during the winter months. These, too have been very popular.

Vancouver Manx Choir was formed in 1928, and creates much interest. We are now preparing for the New Year's concert. In addition to the rehearsals, we have delightful whist drives at the homes of the members.

> Yours sincerely, ALICE M. M. KILLIP, Sec'y, 1020 Harwood St.

#### Christmas In Manxland

By the time this article appears all of us who have left relatives or friends in the Isie of Man will already have sent them Christmas greetings. And as we send those greetings we undoubtedly, if we ever lived on the Island, recalled the Christmas seasons as we know them perhaps years ago. Although the climate of the island is so mild, it seems as we look back, as if we usually did have a white Christmas. And in many other ways the Christmas celebrations, and the Christmas deners, were the same then and there as they are here and now.

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One great difference, of course, was in the neighborly character of Christmas. In our big American cities of today we do not visit so much, in any event, as we used to in the Isle of Man. There was more sociability there, and the social spirit entered even into business and trade relations. I still remember the bottle of wine that our family grocer used to present to every one of his customers at Christmas—indeed, if it were not out of keeping with the Christmas I could repeat sundry criticisms which the recipients of the gift used to pass upon its alleged lack of quality.

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Then, our Christmas was more traditional. There were those fine old Manx carols which we used to hear every Christmas, and there were "The White Boys." For the benefit of any second generation Manx who never heard them, I may say that the White Boys were a group of boys, disguised in white clothes and masks, who came around—on Christmas Eve I think—and on being admitted, enacted the old play of St. George and the Dragon. At least that was the play I always saw enacted though they may have had others. always saw had others.

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And then there were the boys who came around singing "Hunt the Wren." In older days, of course, they actually had hunted the wren—and carried the body with them. That was, of course, because in Manx tradition the "beautiful white devil"—a Manx form of the wampire—took the form of a wren to escape the man who had sworn he would execute justice on her. But in later years, I th'nk humanity and good sense decreed that it was better to leave our Manx wrens undisturbed.

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Well, those old ceremonies may be by this time, dying out even in the Isle of Man. But at least a number of Manx people alive to their interest, have recorded them. And Christmas is perhaps the most appropriate season to remind all Manx people that whatever they know of old Island customs, tales, fairy lore, historic or curious characters, they ought, before it is too late, to put on record. For these things are not only interesting, but to the student of folk lore, of languages, of history, even such an apparently simple thing as a curious old place name may be a key piece which makes plain some puzzling problem in his science.

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#### Fall River, Mass.

To me, Christmas; the Manx people; and the Homeland, are synonymous terms, so that in thinking of the one, my thoughts invariably dwell on the others. There is no time in all the round of the seasons when the heart of the wanderer turns fondly in contemplation of that sacred spot (the home of childhood days), as that borne in upon him by the near approach of Christmas. That was the one season of the year when, as a boy, I longed for the approach, and deplored the departure of Christmas time. Why? Because it was the "meeca" toward which the heart of the absent ones led them to gather beneath the family roof and share in the family greetings and festivities, characteristic of those happy days of long ago around the home fireside.

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In meditating therefore, as I think all Manx wanderers do at this season of the year, I am prompted to say to you, and through you to Manx people everywhere that; of all the sweet sounds that vibrate through the earth, none is sweeter at this season of the year than "HOME." All the choicest blessings of life cluster there, and there are none so hardened or perverse as not to have a chord somewhere, which can be touched by the tender remembrances of "Home," at Christmas time. The human heart can be dead to almost every consideration rather than the associations of that sacred spot, where we were shaded and shielded in our earliest and happiest days, and though, as Manx people we have wandered far from that "homeland," yet the smoke of that incense which went up from the fireside around which we were wont to gather at Christmas time, is seldom out of mind, and I know there are many of our people scattered over this continent who have some cherished spot in that Island home, around which fond memories linger, heart resting places, arbors where living tendrils creep and twine, forming remembrances of delightful and permanent recollections.

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To the heart far away therefore the "home and the homeland" is a God ordained institution, and whatever we may say or think of His plans in reference to other things, we must all agree that in the fitness of the home for the heart, the arrangements of Providence are excellent. The ties that bind us there are stronger and purer than all others. In it there is less of earth and more of Heaven than anything else in life.

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Complying with your request therefore and in the hurried time just now at my disposal, it gives me great delight to tender my sincere Christmas greetings to the people of my Homeland, now scattered all over this great Western continent, and I urge all, wherever located at noon on that joyous day, to pause a moment, during festivities, and in silent thought join me in hands extended Eastward across the sea, in token of our love and remembrance of;

"That snot of earth supremely blest,

"That spot of earth supremely blest, That dearer sweeter spot than all the

where; reposing in peace and quietude, pillowed upon its cold bosom and clasped in its all embracing arms, is found the permanent resting place of our forefathers.

God's richest blessing upon it, and its people, everywhere, in all the years to come, is my sincere wish.

Cordially yours:

DANIEL MOORE,

617 Highland Ave.

#### Northeastern Ohio Society

We, the officers and members of the North Eastern Ohio Manx Society extend to the kindred societies of the North American continent and the Homeland, our sincere greetings. We thank the N. A. M. A. for their cooperation in helping us to build up our Society and it is a pleasure at this time to extend to them seasonal greetings. May the Christmas message bind us in closer brother-

> ALLAN KERMODE, President. MRS. CORA SMITH, Sec'y, 535 Mentor Avenue. Painesville, Ohio

#### Buffalo

At the regular monthly meeting of the Buffalo At the regular monthly meeting of the Buttalo Manx Society it was unanimously decided to cooperate fully with the N. A. M. A. in their efforts to hold the 1931 Convention in their city and wish to convey to all Manx people their sincere greetings wishing all at home and abroad a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

MRS. E. A. COOLE, President

37-15th Street.

#### Detroit

We held another very enthusiastic meeting in connection with the organization of our Manx Society at the home of Mr. Higgins, 12211 Ilene Avenue, on November 25, about twenty-five being present. A temporary organization has been formed, called the Mona Club until such time as we shall organize a permanent one. were all more or less surprised that there were so many Manx folks living in and around this city and I think that we shall be able to report fifty at our next meeting. Any of the readers of the Bulletin in other Societies throughout the state or Canada who have relatives or friends living in Detroit, if they will kindly forward to me or to Mr. Corkhill, 14903 Ohio Avenue, their names and addresses, we shall see that our committees get in touch with them. Wishing all Manx friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

JOHN STEPHEN, 11731 Chelsea Avenue.

#### New York

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In these days of radio it reminds me we are again nearing Christmas and it sends my thought back to the old days on the Island when we did enjoy this festive season.

We can all visualize some of the old time customs around Christmastide. We remember "The Callers" and the fiddler's music dying away in the distance in the early morning hours when they would wake you up.

Who of us have not been carol singing Christmas Eve.? How well I remember that grand old anthem all the choirs sang, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains." Storm or rain would not deter the singers sometimes asked into the homes in the early hours of the morning for refreshments and if you like tea and cake, you would get plenty of it. If you liked something stronger it depended at whose home you were at. Most of the choirs sang till daybreak.

The following day, St. Stephen's Day and "hunt the wren." The poor little wren. Fasten him to a stick in a circle of branches tied with ribbons and sing, "Hunt the wren says Robbin the Bobbin" till noon. Satisfied to collect a few coppers and having a glorious time. I do not know whether these old Christmas customs still prevail and whether you sang or just went around with the crowd you had a grand old time and made up the Christmas spirit which I hope I shall never forget.

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May I at this time extend to the officers of the N. A. M. A. my sincere greetings for the good work they are doing, and to all Manx people my wish is that you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Fraternally yours LOUIS KELLY. 3408 30th St., Long Island City, N. Y.

#### Toronto

Unfortunately we have to go to press and have not heard from our friends in Toronto.

May we, the officers of the N. A. M. A. express to the officers and members of the Toronto Manx Society, the old time wish, A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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### The North American Manx Association

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The happiest news we have for our Bulletin this month is the glad tidings that our President, Mr. Daniel Teare, is now definitely on the way to recovery. We rejoice with him and sincerely wish him a speedy return to health. This is cheering news coming at this festive season when the spirit of Christmas brings so much gladness.

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The season is the time when hearts unbend and the spirit of friendliness is more predominate than at any other time of the year. The time when enmity between men and nations is forgotten and all join the great brotherhood of man. Faith is renewed and new yows are made.

This celebration of Christmas has projected itself today into the lives and hearts of millions and happiness and goodwill is poured into the life stream in sufficient quantities to nourish many dull days thereafter.

Christmas offers an opportunity to give succial thought to our friends to "get out of ourselves," to scatter our bouquet of appreciation among those who have chosen to think well of us and those for whom we hold high admiration and love.

It is also the time of the Mistletoe Bough, the holly-wreath, the glowing colored lights in the windows of many happy homes, which bring to us a sense of joy and that sincere inspiration that finds voice in that grand old greeting.

#### A Merry Christmas

May we extend this gracious greeting to Manx people and their descendants, our kindred societies both home and abroad and to all Manx people throughout the world. In this spirit may we send this thought to you with sincere wishes that everything good may come to you as this festive season rolls round again. May we hope you will recall many happy days spent during the past year also with the thought in mind you may have enjoyed our Bulletin which has been forwarded to you, mounthly as the publication of the N. A. M. A. whose noble object is to bring the Manx people of this great continent into closer union with one another. We feel we are succeeding in our effort as it is a pleasure to receive so many letters of encouragement from all parts of this great country. We appreciate these letters and the support and kindly advice tendered us from time to time.

May this holiday season be the most delightful of your life. We hope that when the year 1931 rolls in for you it will bring an abundance of happy days. We also extend to every one of you,

### A Happy New Year

A, B, KELLY, Sec'y, 2711 Dover Avenue Cleveland, Ohio

### Membership and Questionnaire

MEMBERSHIP

Enclosed with your Bulletin you will find your 1931 membership application and also a questionnaire blank.

We appreciate the splendid moral support you have all given us and we now ask your practical support so necessary for us to carry on this good work. Perhaps a little summary of our 1930 effort will be of interest to you.

on this good work. Perhaps a little summary of our 1930 effort will be of interest to you. We have printed and mailed over 2600 copies of the Bulletin monthly to every part of the continent. We have also received and answered over 500 letters, and have been of much service in answering inquiries on many different subjects. We have been glad of the opportunity to serve. The very successful way in which the 1930 Homecoming was handled has brought us many fine compliments and we know this has done much to create interest in Manx affairs both in this continent and the homeland. It has welded us all closer together. We take pride in saying that through the effort of the N. A. M. A. no party ever sailed out of Montreal under more pleasant conditions or with better accommodation and with the cooperation of the World's Manx Association no party had a more enjoyable time than they when on the Island." We also cooperated with the committees to make the T. E. Brown Centenial fund possible. The Cleveland window in the T. E. Brown shrine is assured—\$\$350.00 being forwarded to the Island towards this fund. We were happy to assist the North Eastern Ohio [Manx Society's effort in that great Orrin Quiggin Centenary entertainment, which was attended by over 400 people. We are now helping our Detroit and Denver friends to inaugurate Manx Societies in their cities and will go the limit in their endeavor.

We will be glad to publish in our Bulletin at any time any news pertaining to any of

We will be glad to publish in our Bulletin We will be glad to publish in our Builetin at any time any news pertaining to any of our Manx Societies. We are not trying to usurp any authority over any Society. We are hoping to help as a national organization to make your societies bigger and better if we can. We are pleading for cooperation and are honestly trying to live up to the five oreast objects on which this association is objects on which this association is builded.

1. The purposes of this Association for the mutual benefit and social welfare of the Manx people and their descend-

2. To bring into closer union the various Manx Societies of the Northern Continent of America.

3. To extend the formation of such societies, by bringing together Manx peo-ple and their descendants, wherever they may be found.

4. To stimulate and devive the love for

the Homeland.

5. To maintain the standards and traditions of the English speaking people throughout the world.

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We have a big programme planned for 1931. As Vice President J. R. Cain suggested in our November Bulletin, we wish to get acquainted with all Manx people and their descendants on this great continent and through our Bulletin pass the news on to them about their relatives and old friends they have not met in years. Bring a little pleasure to our people who unfortunately in the isolated places have not the companionship of a Manx Society or any of their kinfolk. You know how you appreciate a little Manx news if you were similarly placed. We will always be happy to answer any enquiry about friends and relatives. And also will gladly pass on to the best of our ability through enquiry, business conditions in the different areas for any wishing same. To be of service to all the Manx people all of the time is our aim and you can help us by forwarding that \$1.00 nembership for 1931 or a \$10.00 life membership. You will not miss it. Help us to help someone not so fortunate as you are. You can give yourself and your friends the best Christmas gift ever by forwarding their names as members of the N. A. M. A. We are out for 1000 members this year. Let's all get on the band wagon. With your help we can do it!

**OUESTIONNAIRE** 

QUESTIONNAIRE

Regarding the questionnaire, enclosed is the Buffalo Convention in August next.

Owing to the unusual conditions prevailing we are leaving this matter entirely with you. If you feel you would like to meet your old friends again for a three days' convention and have as good a time as you did in Cleveland and Toronto, sign it with the thought you will be there. The Executive committee of the N. A. M. A. who will sponsor this convention if you wish same, will guarantee you as good a time as at the other conventions, but would need your support to make the outstanding success it should be.

Please sign both the membership and questionnaire and mail same to

A. B. KELLY, Sec'y,

A. B. KELLY, Sec'y, 2711 Dover Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

#### T. E. Brown Entertainment

The Cleveland Manx people who attended the T. E. Brown Centennial entertainment on November 12th at the News Auditorium, wish to express to the officers of the N. A. M. A. their appreciation for the cooperation in sponsoring this effort. Over 250 attended and all enjoyed the splendid program, every item being appropriate to the occasion.

May we especially thank Miss Evelyn Christian and Mr. Walter Quilliam, the soloists; the quartette party comprising Miss Christian, Miss C. Mylecraine, Mr. R. Anderson and Mr. R. A. Cannell; Mr. Percy Christian for his splendid rendering of T. E. Brown's "Just the Shy" and Mr. A. B. Kelly, who gave a fine rendition of "Parson Gale"; Miss Eleanor Crebbin and Mr. Douglas Cannell who capably accompanied the musical numbers. Dancing was enjoyed until midnight.

Unfortunately Dr. J. J. Moore, president of the Chicago Society, who was to preside was detained by a wreck and he was only able to be with us a couple of hours but we certainly appreciated his company. Mr. J. R. Cain presided and urged all to join the N. A. M. A. A telegram was sent to our President expressing sym-A telegram was pathy in his illness and hoping for his speedy recovery-the sentiment of all those present.

#### In Memoriam

We regret to record the death of two of our well known Manx Clevelanders, Mr. George Cannell and Mr. Phillip Gill.

Mr. George Cannell, late of Douglas, dearly beloved husband of Maude and father of William and Betty, passed on November 26th.

Mr. Phillip Gill, 88, passed on November 27th and is survived by three children, Dr. A. H. Gill, W. P. Gill and Mrs. I. F. Collins. Mr. Gill was the oldest member of the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society and a past president of that Society.

To their relatives and friends may we extend our deepest sympathy in their sad bereavement.

#### Please!

Will all the Manx Societies please send in the list of their 1931 officers as early as possible, as we wish to print the complete list in our January Bulletin. Please mail to our secretary, A. B. Kelly, 2711 Dover Ave. Cleveland, Ohio.