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

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BUFFALO WELCOMES YOU!

Invitations From Our President, The Mayor of Buffalo and the Buffalo Manx Society.

During the past three years, it has been the privilege of the N. A. M. A. to hold three wonderful conventions, wherein much has been accomplished, in a social way for the benefit of the Manx people living on this side of the Atlantic, when hundreds of people have met together, many of them renewing old acquaintances, meeting with old friends, that they had hardly hoped to see again. And what a joy it is to forget the cares of the present, and live over again, if only for a short time, the days of the past, when life was young.

I venture to say that there were none who attended those Conventions, but what went back to their homes, richer, because of the new friends they had made, for there friendships were formed that will remain with some of us as long as life shall last.

In 1928 there was held in the city of Cleveland, the first Convention, though it was preceded by the 1927 Home-going, from which emanated the thought that an association of the Manx people, living in the United States and Canada should be formed. What a glorious time we had in Cleveland, a city that might well be termed the "Manxland of America." A city where Manx people abound, and who are always waiting with outstretched arms to welcome their compatriots. It was there that the N. A. M. A. was brought into being, an organization, that we trust, will long live to be the means of bringing into touch with each other, the Manx people of the North American Continent.

The second Convention was held in 1929 in the beautiful city of Toronto, amid the most propitious circumstances that one could wish for, held as it was, on the lake front, with the cooling breezes of Lake Ontario ever present. Again hundreds of Manx people from all over the country were in evidence, and were met and made welcome by as warmhearted Manxmen and women as can be found anywhere today. It was with gladness in our hearts that we came to know them.

The third convention and Home-going in 1930 is still vividly remembered by those who were privileged to attend. Never will we forget that glor-



Buffalo Manx Society

The Manx Society of Buffalo extends to the Manx people everywhere a most cordial invitation to come to our city for the 1931 convention.

Our Society, though it is small, assure you that we will endeavor to assist you to make this convention a success, and your stay in Buffalo, most enjoyable.

Sincerely yours,
COURTENAY G. KERRUISH,
President.
E. M. CAINE, Secretary.

MAYOR'S OFFICE CITY OF BUFFALO

Because a visit to this city will give you an opportunity of learning what we have accomplished, materially and socially, it is a great pleasure to me, as Mayor of the city, to extend to the NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION a most cordial invitation to hold your 1931 convention in Buffalo.

I am confident that you will find our hotel accommodations, transportation facilities, and the opportunities for entertainment wholly satisfactory and that you will never have any occasion to regret the acceptance of this invitation.

Personally, I will be glad to assist in any way I can to make your Buffalo meeting a notable success.

> Very truly yours, Charles E. Roesch, Mayor.

ious Sunday morning in June, when our ship came into sight of the Isle of Man, and made its way into Douglas Bay, and as our eyes gazed shoreward, we were persuaded that the whole Island had flocked to meet us and the following days were filled with receptions, the meeting with old friends, that brought joy and gladness to each one of us.

The foregoing is just a reminder that we are now in another year, with another Convention ahead of us, which will be held in the City of Buffalo, on the 13th, 14th and 15th of August in this year 1931, and a reminder also to the Manx people all over the country, that it is not too early to be laying plans to attend what we are persuaded will be the best Convention of any yet held.

It is going to be a "Re-union" of all the previous Conventions, and as President of the N. A. M. A. I hereby issue a very warm invitation to Manx people, wherever they may be, to come and join us at Buffalo. "From the Nors and Sous, and the East and the West, there is n't a soul but is ast as a guest."

Officers of the N. A. M. A. met recently, with the Manx people of Buffalo, and laid plans for this to be the greatest of all Manx Conventions, and set at the masthead the motto "Excel." From the replies to the questionnaire sent out sometime ago, we have every reason to believe that the attendance is going to be great and nothing will be left undone to make those in attendance feel it was good to be with the Manx in Buffalo.

DANIEL TEARE,
President,
North American Manx Association.

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We Must Have Your Support!

Since the inception of the N. A. M. A. three years ago we have printed and mailed 65,000 copies of our Bulletin to our Manx people. We wished this to be your little Manx newspaper and felt you would appreciate our efforts.

We have tried to make each issue as interesting as possible, and convey to you the purposes of the N. A. M. A. We mail 2,650 copies monthly and the cost of placing each copy in your home has been seven cents. We have always believed, and still do, that a sufficient number of patriotic Manx people would join our Association to cover the cost entailed in this work.

It is very discouraging to the officers of this Association to find that only about 300 members have sent in their dues for 1931. These dues are only one dollar—two cents a week and we must have your financial as well as your moral support if we are to continue mailing our Bulletin to you. If you are on our mailing list and do not think it is worth the small amount we ask, kindly notify us and we will discontinue your copy. It is only by the combined loyal support of every Manxman and Manxwoman that we can keep the N. A. M. A. and its purposes and also the news of our Manx Societies before our people.

We are counting on you to play your part. We frankly admit that a business depression exists—but better times are ahead of us, and the \$1.00 we ask in so small you'll never miss it. You will have the great satisfaction of knowing that you have helped your fellow Manx people who, in isolated places, look forward eagerly to this Bulletin every month.

We have pledged our President, who has been very seriously ill, that we would build our organization to 1000 members this year. We want to fulfill that promise. If you will do your part by mailing us your dues today, it will carry us another step closer to our goal.

Let's keep on "going on."

A. B. KELLY, Secretary,
2711 Dover Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

N. A. M. A. EXECUTIVE MEET WITH BUFFALO MANX SOCIETY!

Convention Dates Set For August 13, 14 and 15

A meeting of the Executive of the N. A. M. A. was held at Buffalo on March 29th, the following officers being present, Vice-Presidents Dr. J. J. Moore and John R. Cain and Art B. Kelly, Secretary.

Following the morning session the officers conferred with the hotel committee appointed by the Buffalo Manx Society, Mr. C. G. Kerruish, President, Miss Betty Cain, Secretary, and Mr. Richard Coole. After discussion, the various hotels suggested by the Buffalo Committee were visited.

A meeting of the Buffalo Society was called at the home of the president at 4:00 P. M. A goodly number of the members were in attendance. Mr. Kerruish presided and thanked the officers of the N. A. M. A. for their attendance. He said he believed the Buffalo Convention would be a good thing for the Manx people of their city. Dr. Moore, in reply, stated that he was sure that the Buffalo Society, though small in number, would work hard to make the Convention a great success.

Mr. J. R. Cain, dwelt on the success of the past conventions and felt sure

that the Buffalo Society would profit in increased membership and goodfellowship from the Manx gathering in their city.

Mr. Art B. Kelly spoke on cooperation and quoted from the many letters he had received all pledging support and good wishes for success. He had received 175 replies to the questionnaire from Manx people who signified their intention of attending.

Mr. Kerruish stated that the Society at their last meeting had pledged to do everything possible for its success, the fixing of the date being the only point to be decided.

After some discussion, Thursday, August 13th; Friday, August 14th, and Saturday, August 15th were chosen. It was the feeling of the meeting that these days would attract the largest number.

The Canadian National Railways were named as the official carrying company. This closed the business meeting. All details as to hotel accommodations, etc., are being worked out and will appear in our May issue.

"LET'S MEET TOGETHER AND TALK IT OVER!"

I have been to the Bermudas. I have been to the Channel Islands. I have been to Anglesey. I have been to the Emerald Isle but the most beautiful, the most peaceful Island I have ever visited is Mona.

During the Great War I was Superintendent of the 8th Military Areaembracing Scotland, Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man for the American "Y" and appointed an acting Army Chaplain for that Area. No greater hospitality can be shown to any one than that of the Isle of Man. Even their erstwhile Teutonic foes felt this. No wonder the Prisoners of War at Peel thought they were in Paradise, for they were well cared for, well fed and well clothed and supplied with every comfort legitimately to be en-joyed by Prisoners of War. Above all they were privileged to breathe the fine radiant air in the exhilarating atmosphere of this unique and peaceful little island, "set in the silver sea."

I recall the days of my youth and that's why I am a member of the Manx Association when my Father used to take us boys on his vacation to the Isle of Man. Those visits were full of thrill and adventure and many times, since grown to adult age I have repeated those delightful trips to that

place where they need no locks on their doors, no capital punishment in their law and where the fuchias grow, with roses, lilacs and laburnums in profuse luxuriance to complete this paradise of rest.

The historic traditions, the chaste, garden-like beauty of the scenery and the world-wide influence of its intelligent, literate and cultured people ought to weigh something in the judgment of every son and descendant of Mona the advantage and the profit of keeping still green in the memory of their minds and the affections of their hearts these ancestral inheritances, handed down the vista of the ages, by meeting together in Convention and recounting the patriotic virtues of the dear little island which will make us better citizens of the U. S. A. and the more enhance our patriotism as Americans. An Irishman was once asked why he was going back to Ould Erin replied: "I am going back to see the rock out of which I've been hewn." It's a good thing to know about the rock out of which we have been hewn. That's why some of us like to go to a Manx convention and gathering.

REV. W. F. DICKENS LEWIS, M. A., D. D.

Pastor, Cleveland Heights Presbyterian Church

Los Angeles Manx Society!

The Joughin families were the hosts at our regular meeting Friday, February 27th, 1931. The entertainment started at eight-thirty P. M. with a most interesting lecture and lantern slides of "Southern California in the Early Days." The lecturer, Miss Marion Parks, related many facts not generally known by the average Angeleno. The town of Los Angeles was ordered built one hundred and fifty years ago by the King of Spain. A few of the houses built at that time are still standing. Another interesting fact is that gold was first discovered just outside the City of Newhall. A rough monument has been erected to mark this historic spot. This discovery took place in 1840, just nine years before the great gold rush took place. At the moment of writing a hundred or two men are panning gold near the ill-fated St. Frances Dam, a few miles north of Newhall. However, this vocation is not as profitable as of old, as it is said the present day's earnings vary from two to twelve dollars a day.

Mrs. Chapman, friend of the Joughins, sang several Spanish songs which were very well received, Mrs. Chapman being called back each time for an encore.

Refreshments were served at ten P. M., and after the inner-man was satisfied the Secretary, on behalf of the members, heartily thanked the Joughin families for their splendid hospitality. At this time the Orchestra was "rarin' to go," and soon the dance was on, and it continued till midnight to the great delight of the one hundred and seventy members and friends present.

We are greatly indebted to the Joughin families for the entire evening's enjoyment. They certainly have the right spirit. The following compose the Joughin Committee: Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Joughin, Mrs. Murdock, Mr. and Mrs. Osborne, Miss M. Joughin, Mrs. Granz, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tuttle, Mr. and Mrs. Bilger.

We are pleased to welcome to our meeting representatives of kindred societies, namely: Colonel McPherson, President of the British Benevolent Society, and Mrs. Ogilvie, President of the Women's Canadian Club of Los Angeles.

Manx visitors were also in evidence. We enjoyed the company of Mr. Geo. Watterson of Bishop, California, who was a visitor to the I. O. M. last summer. Mr. Watterson was accompanied by his niece, Miss Watterson of London. Another visitor, Miss Annie Quayle, was on hand to enjoy this wonderful Manx gathering. Miss Quayle is visiting California after spending three years in the Isle of Man.

T. DONALD BAIN, Secretary.

Cleveland Junior Manx

The Cleveland Manx Juniors present their three-act play "A Corner of the Campus" on Friday evening, April 24th in the News Auditorium, 1800 Superior Ave., at 8 P. M. sharp. The play will be followed by a dance. The orchestra of the Northeastern Ohio Manx Juniors will contribute to the program and Tomson's orchestra will furnish the music for the dancing.

Mona Cretney, President, says it is going to be the best party ever—and you will miss something big if you do not attend.

Tickets, 35 cents; Juniors, 15 cents. Let's all support the Juniors.

From Here and There!

Mrs. E. S. Nichols, Biwabik, Minn.—"Enclosed find my membership. I enjoy reading the Bulletin very much and often wish I could be in Cleveland to enjoy the Manx social gatherings."

Mrs. Thos. Christian, 827 Haight St., San Francisco, Calif.—"Enclosed find my membership. Enjoy reading your Manx news monthly. Kindest regards to all Manx friends."

Wm. Quine, Farmington, New Mexico—"Enjoy your Bulletin. Best wishes for the success of the N. A. M. A."

John T. Maddrell, East Farnham, Quebec, Canada—"It is with pleasure that I send you my membership to the N. A. M. A. Enjoy your Bulletin. Came from Ballafesson, Port Erin, 21 years ago."

R. J. Killey, 114 Palson Avenue, Winnipeg-"Enclosed find my 1931 dues. Success to the N. A. M. A."

W. D. Beck, Aspen, Colorado—"Enclosed find my 1931 dues. I enjoy reading your Bulletins very much indeed."

John J. Killey, 24 North East St., Fort Dodge, Iowa—"The purpose of the N. A. M. A. is a grand idea. "To bring our countrymen into closer unity." I enjoy your Bulletin, it is very interesting when one gets isolated as I am, to read about old friends. I sometimes wonder if there are any Manxmen living close to me. Would be awfully pleased to hear from them."

Rev. G. H. Simpson, Route 4, Bronson, Michigan—"Enclosed find check for our 1931 dues. Enjoyed last month's Bulletin. I was born in Lonan. Went to Ballagawne Board School. Hope to meet some of my old school buddies at the Buffalo Convention."

Robt. J. Quayle, Secy., London, Ontario Manx Society—"Philip Kissack, Tom Callister and myself had a pleasant morning visiting a Manx family at Springfield, Ontario, and incidentally transporting another Manxman to a new job. I can assure you that on these Sunday visits to our people in outlying districts we have a delightful time, which seems to serve as a stimulating tonic to do another week's work."

Mrs. Wm. Shimmin, 608 Sixth Avenue, South Virginia, Minn.—"Thank you very much for the Bulletins which I have received. They are very interesting indeed and I have passed same along to other Manx families up here in the North. Have been up here 18 years."

Mrs. Donald Mannizen, 297 Griffing Park, Port Arthur, Texas—"Enclosed find membership to the N. A. M. A. Before I was married I was Nell Cowin of Douglas. I am delighted to keep up with anything and everybody Manx."

E. Mona Phillips, Ermington P. O., Vancouver Island, B. C.—"Enclosed find memberships for my husband and self. We both enjoy your Bulletins. Keep up the good work."

W. Faragher, 655 Crawford St., Toronto, Canada—"Enclosed find membership for 1931. Enjoy your Bulletins. Am interested in the unofficial trip to the Island this summer."

Vancouver Manx Pioneers!

Forty years ago, I travelled to the coast and had the pleasure of meeting a few Manxmen. I returned to the Island, coming again a second time during the early days of the Klondyke Boom. I found a number of Manxmen, a few of the name which I remember were Callister, Callow, Kelly, Kneale, Quaggan, Kewish, Gawne, Cain, Watterson, etc. They usually met at Mr. Cain, the Shoemaker's shop and many an hour was spent discussing the merits of the old and the new land. The shop was frequently visited as it was, and is still by many Manxmen, as it is very conveniently situated in the heart of the city. As a number of Manx families had come to the coast, it was felt that we should form a Vancouver Manx Society. Our first banquet was held on New Year's Day 22 years ago, and has continued to the present.

It is somewhat difficult to write of Manx pioneers as they are reticent in telling of their endeavors. You will find them in the mining camps of the Kooteneys, in the cattle ranges of the Chilcoten, placer mining in the streams and on the banks of the rivers in Northern British Columbia, fishing salmon on the Fraser River and general fishing on the West Coast.

I have run across Manxmen in unexpected places. In our city there are quite a number in the building trade, most of whom have made good. The Vancouver Manx Society has to some extent assisted their fellow countrymen. By association we can be a real help one to the other. I feel that as a Manxman, the Manx have a peculiar claim on our sympathy and help. It is an avenue along a path of duty, where we can do good service for others. In our Society we can do that service. Our Manx choir has not only rendered service to the Society—and to advertising the Island-but has given noble service to the Seamen's Institute and to the Military Hospital at Shaughnessy Heights. So in many ways the Manx here are playing their part.

It is not wealth, or fame, that pays— But that consciousness within which says— I have not lived in vain.

> R. H. GREGGOR, 1452 13th Avenue, W., Vancouver, B. C.

Manx Rhododendrons In Prospect Park, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Hemmed in on all sides by tall apartment buildings, the modest old fashioned ivy covered home of Miss Henryetta Cain, 114 Fenimore St., Brooklyn, will soon make way for a large apartment building.

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On the lot which surrounded the Cain home were two magnolia trees, one bearing a pink blossom and the other a white. These were uprooted along with the beautiful all colored rhododendron bushes and are to be transplanted in Prospect Park, Brooklyn. The home attracted much attention because of the unusual ivy which covered it. The rhododendron bushes and ivy was brought from Rushen Abbey, I. O. M., by Miss Cain's father, 47 years ago. Miss Cain has been living there with her two brothers, Henry G. and E. Douglas Cain and a widowed sister, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall.

Our Heritage!

We have justifiable pride as Manx people in our heritage. There are those who tell us sentiment is foolish and effeminate and should not occupy much place in our thoughts and lives.

We are Celts and the love of sentiment fills the Celtic breast. To eliminate sentiment from the lives of the Manx people would be to take out an element which brings us happiness and satisfaction in our journey through a very hard, cold, and sometimes sordid world.

We are better citizens of America if we have a deep and abiding love for the homeland and all that it means

It was the training ground for many of us who know we are better fitted for life's battle because we received physical and mental equipment there, which has served us to good purpose.

I hope we never forget the great underlying characteristics of our na-

A love of truth, a firm and steadfast adherence to the principles of human justice, a reverence for age in a time when this has almost become obsolete in our social and family life in America, and respect for the influence the history of the past has had on our lives.

As a nation we never fail to acknowledge our belief in a Supreme Being whose laws are immutable and govern all alike.

The lives of our patriotic ancestors, great statesmen, commanding orators indicate our intense desire for liberty demonstrated so many times in our Island government and among our countrymen in many lands.

What a legacy we have in thoughts of our lovely and enchanting homeland. Nature has wrought one of her grandest masterpieces in the combination of mountain and plain, sea and river, glen and moorland, rocky headland and silver strand and one which cannot be surpassed anywhere.

Gales may pound and roar, rain may descend in torrents, skies may be gray and lowering, but when it all clears away, the dear homeland stands out in the clear sunshine and under blue skies as an emerald gem, delightful to behold. What memories we have of the marvelous color and odor of the gorse, the faint and elusive scent of the primrose, the glory of the hawthorne in full bloom.

These thoughts, always a source of satisfaction to us, should not lead to boastfulness or an attitude of superiority, but rather tend to make us thankful that we have such a heritage and a desire to use the powers given us for the good of humanity and the advancement of our common civilization wherever we may be placed.

J. R. COWELL.

2126 Scottwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

You Cannot Swear in Manx!

My social rejoinder to Ted Robinson: Dear Editor of Folly's Column, We don't think that you were solemn When you excused yourself from Manx, You cannot swear as may the Yanks.

A wag has said, "You now please note In Manx, you speak down in your throat And you to swear, it would you choke." That is not so, that is a joke.

A Manxman, once a year he's mad. And badly wants to call you cad. The Dear Old Manx, is out of vogue, He wants to use a stronger brogue.

I yet do feel my father's spanks, And he said not a word in Manx. And the old teacher, with his thong, He used it with the English tongue.

Oh! How we ran away in fright, A farmer mad enough to fight, We tracked his field, and what he said Was not in Manx, and he is dead.

And why the Manx is in disuse, You cannot say what is in distance.

And for to speak the Manx itself,
Read that old Bible on the shelf.

In conclusion, please let me state, St. Peter speaks it at the Gate. So Editor, now stop your pranks, It's time for you to learn the Manx.

(Rev.) ROBT. HALSALL, Alliance, Ohio

From Rochester

Enclosed please find seven new members to the N. A. M. A. Next time I write I hope to send you seven more.

We are planning a Manx picnic sometime before the convention in Buffalo and I can see no good reason why we cannot have a Manx Society in Rochester. I have found a very strong supporter in Mr. Shepherd, who is willing to help me and we are expecting a very large party from Rochester to go to the Buffalo Convention. Everyone I have talked to here seems to be in favor of going.

DAN W. CHRISTIAN, 31 Nellis Park, Rochester, N. Y.

In Memoriam

We regret to record the deaths this last month of the following members of our As-

MRS. E. A. COOLE, Past President of the Buffalo Manx Society, which position she capably filled for a number of years, and also Regional Director for the N. A. M. A. in the Buffalo district, passed on Friday, April 17th.

Mrs. Coole has always been keenly interested in everything pertaining to the well-being of her fellow Manx people. Her happy smile and cheery disposition made her very many friends who will regret her passing.

She is survived by three sons.

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CAPTAIN WILLIAM KELLY, 416 West
Sixth St., Santa Ana, California.

Closing a picturesque and useful life, death
came March 28th to Captain Kelly, 84, one of
the pioneers of Orange County. He had been
in falling health for the past two years. He
is survived by his wife, Margaret Kelly, whom
he married in Dunedin, New Zealand in 1875,
also two sons and five daughters.

MSS MARY E CANNAN 129 Cady Street.

MRS. MARY E. CANNAN, 129 Cady Street, Rochester, New York.

Mrs. Cannan, wife of William Cannan and mother of Mona I. passed away March 16th. Mrs. Cannan crossed over with the Homecomers last June.

MISS CLARA QUINE, Rochester, N. Y. MISS CLARA QUINE, Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Quine passed away suddenly April 1st
after an operation. Miss Quine accompanied
by her sister was one of the party of six
from Rochester, N. Y. who visited the Island
last June with the Homecomers, and by her
geniality and unfailing good humor endeared
herself to everyone aboard ship and in Douglas. It was her first visit to the Island and
always spoke of it as the crowning event of
her life.

To their relatives and friends we extend our deepest sympathy.

Montreal Society

The Montreal Manx Society held their monthly meeting last night, March 25th, at the Synod Hall, Montreal, with an attendance of about sixty members. Mr. Percy Costain, the President of the Society, presided.

A most interesting and educational lecture was given by Archdeacon Overing of the early history of the British Isles, including the Isle of

In addition to the lecture, through the courtesy of Mr. W. D. Moore, a splendid moving-picture film of the Isle of Man was shown, and it was really a treat to go over the different places on the Isle of Man, either on the Manx Electric Railroad or the Isle of Man Railroad, and to see the old places in the homeland. As each home spot appeared on the screen, rounds of applause would spring up from those who evidently originated from that spot, and at last night's meeting, it looked as if Peel were better represented at the meeting than any other place.

We were also favoured with a beautiful Manx solo and a Manx reading from Tom Brown's selections.

It was one of those meetings where we really felt we were back again in the Island, as the atmosphere was so Manx, but it might be said that the present committee of the Montreal Manx Society have had as their objective the desire of keeping their meetings permeated with that Manx atmosphere.

After refreshments had been served, the meeting broke up at 11:30 p. m.

We are very pleased to announce that the Montreal Manx Society will be represented at the St. George's banquet held here in Montreal on April 23rd.

Mona's Mutual Benefit Cleveland, Ohio

One of the best attended Manx parties held One of the best attended Manx parties held in Cleveland for many years was given under the auspices of the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society, Friday evening, March 13th. The first part of the program was as follows: Manx National Anthem, Everybody; Tenor solo, Walter J. Quilliam; Baritone solo, Robert Quayle; Bass solo, Edwin Kelly; Contralto solos, Mrs. John T. Killey; Duet W. J. Quilliam and R. Quayle. The artists were at their best and responded to encores. Miss Eleanor Crebbin accompanied the numbers. Crebbin accompanied the numbers.

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The second part of the program consisted of a play, Yn Blaa Sooree, (The Courting Flower) written by J. J. Kneen. The cast of characters was as follows: Master Keolyah, Mr. W. H. Gorry; Mistree Keolyah, Mrs. F. F. Cleator; Constable Killyah, Mr. J. Halsall; Miss Skillicorn, the village maiden, Miss H. McGeorge; Thom Callister, the village cobbler, Mr. J. J. Clague; Miss Curphey, the vilage school mistress, Miss H. Minor; Hommy Keoin, the village tailor, Mr. S. T. Kelly; Calish, the village gossip, Mrs. F. T. Gorry; A. Little Boy, Master D. A. Cleator; Soloist, Mr. J. Clucas. The play was splendidly given and received much applause.

Mr. W. H. Kelly, the President of the Soc.

Mr. W. H. Kelly, the President of the Society, very ably presided.

A feature of the evening was the drawing for a cake baked in Douglas, Isle of Man and sent to Mrs. W. H. Kelly.

The evening was brought to a close with the serving of refreshments.