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Season's



Greetings

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Our President's Message

At the Buffalo convention the great honor of President of the N. A. M. A. was conferred upon one who feels himself so unworthy of this office. I am grateful to the Manx people for handing me this trust and will carry on to the best of my ability. We missed there the smile and warm handshake of that leader among the Manx people, our beloved president, Daniel Teare, who gave himself so unselfishly at preceding conventions that ill health unavoidably prevented him from attending. Another forceful figure, conspicuous by his absence, was our loyal honorary president, A. B. Crookall, who had the ill luck to be sick in Liverpool on his way to the convention. May fortune smile upon them and us to have them with us in 1932.

During the last few weeks it has been my privilege and pleasure to attend the annual banquet of the Detroit-Windsor Manx Society, the United Manx Societies of Cleveland, and the Chicago Manx Society where over five hundred sincere Manx individuals whose thought, especially at this time of the year, revert to the "Little Isle". There were preachers, lawyers, doctors, bankers, judges, leaders in business, successful politicians, engineers, mechanics, members of all professions and trades who carry on the daily work of life as happy and as prosperous as the present situation permits, but all with a sincere love for Manx things and Manx people. They met with each other because of one thing—they were Manx and proud of it.

If opportunity afforded one to meet with the numerous other Manx Societies in the United States and Canada he would meet similar groups of equally lovable people, doing their bit as best they can, with little complaint. The annual conventions show how they love one another notwithstanding that the majority appear to be related. It is these same individ-



Dr. J. J. Moore, president of the N. A. M. A., was born in Anaconda, Montana, and at six years of age was taken by his parents to the Isle of Man, living in Peel for a year. He is a graduate of the University of Montana, has done post-graduate work at the University of Chicago, and is at present head of the National Pathological Laboratories, Chicago.

In spite of the heavy demands of his professional duties Dr. Moore not only holds office in the Manx Society of Chicago but gives it enthusiastic service. He presides at its annual dinners, throws open his home to its meetings, gives a great deal of energy to planning its activities and sets a fine example of that personal friendliness and co-operation which is a marked characteristic of the society—for the members of the Chicago Manx Society are not only joined in that society because they are Manx but they share their many interests together in a spirit of true personal friendship.

uals and societies who make up the N. A. M. A.

My understanding is that every one of Manx descent or married to a person of Manx descent, is a member of the N. A. M. A. but that some are more active in support of the organization by paying their annual dues. It is my hope that everyone who reads this will join the active group and enable us to publish the bulletin monthly. If this publication gives any pleasure to its readers, its financial support is justified.

In 1932 we are planning a great convention in London, Ontario. In order to have those from the Island enjoy the full beauties of our continent and attend the Olympic Games and Western Manx meeting in Los Angeles, Aug. 4th to 6th the time for the London meeting will be so placed that they visit it on the return trip. Last year we had six good friends from home. This year, with all the added attractions of two great Manx gatherings, east and west, and the premier world athletic contest, we expect many times that number will be here visiting relatives and friends.

A single officer can do little but the close cooperation of a working organization can accomplish much. As president and acting president I wish to cordially thank those active officers of the association, A. B. Kelly, Secretary; J. R. Cain, Vice-President; and Fred Boyde, Treasurer, for their wonderful support, and also the Buffalo Manx Society for its hard work in making the 1931 convention so successful.

To all Manx people in the center of the Manx world—our Isle of Man—and those on all their chosen radiating pathways from the island to all the corners of the earth,—May Peace and Happiness be your future lot—and may the present Holiday Season be a Happy one.

J. J. MOORE,
President N. A. M. A.

HIGH SPOTS OF THE BUFFALO CONVENTION!

DANIEL TEARE

Past President
(From Report)

"Month after month during the past year I have been hoping against hope that I would be well enough in health to be with you all at Buffalo Convention to meet again the friends I have been privileged to make when in attendance at the past three conventions. I consider these privileges have been amongst the greatest in my life, to have met so many of my compatriots, fellow Manxmen and Manxwomen, who have at all times manifested that true spirit of loyalty and friendliness inherent in our race. Loyal to the land of their birth and friendly to all Mankind. These friendships I value. Other blessings may be taken away but if we have acquired a good friend, we have a blessing which improves in value when others fail. These friendships can be gained through membership in the N. A. M. A., whose greatest object is to bring in closer fellowship our Manx people."

J. J. MOORE

President

"I feel the N. A. M. A. has now passed over its rough places and with the energetic spirit of the Manx people it will grow in numbers. We are all proud of the heritage entrusted to us by our Manx forbearers. By banding together we can best treasure that wonderful gift.

"However, there is much work to be done among individuals as well as for the good of our local societies in order to strengthen this international organization. No organization can grow without an enthusiastic membership. If the enthusiasm displayed here by those attending the convention is an example of what those other thousands who are unable to attend feel, we will succeed. However, we all must boost the N. A. M. A.

"Manx people have always been identified with worth while things. The N. A. M. A. should be the greatest of these since it is all Manx."

J. E. CHRISTIAN

Past President

"We can do something if we make the N. A. M. A. part of our life's work. We've got to support it if we are to maintain what our fore-fathers handed down to us. I am sincere and earnest about this. We should grow as an organized Manx people, in this great continent of ours. We read about other National Societies hold-

ing reunions who send their members to Washington and Ottawa to get what they want. Why not the Manx people? Let's get together and build up the N. A. M. A."

JOHN R. CAIN

Vice President

"We as a Manx nation are small in numbers but we have added to the good and great of all nations, and will keep on doing so.

"A real love for the homeland and things Manx are encouraged by the N. A. M. A.

"We are the proud product of the Manx nation whether by birth or descent and by banding together, each doing their part to build up our organization, we will keep our fine slogan, "To preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage, alive in our hearts always."

LEWELLYN JONES

Chicago

"It seems to me that we Manx people ought to boost the Isle of Man and all things Manx, also save our memories and get our friends to save and preserve records. We were talking today about some very old documents from Manx memories.

"Think of all those old customs, our Fairy tales. The things we did at Christmas. I am certain if we traced these customs down they would go back thousands of years and link up with legends in other parts of the world. The Isle of Man is full of interesting material. If there were some way we could get the Manx people to write it down, we would be rescuing from oblivion a great deal of interesting material, which we might appreciate in later years."

Six members of the Isle of Man, Rev. R. L. Cain, Southport, Eng., Mrs. Busby, Mrs. Cubbon, and Miss Quirk from Douglas, Miss M. Cain and Mrs. Karan from Port Erin.

The new Rochester Manx Society had the largest delegation, eighteen members being present out of twenty-five membership.

Mona, Detroit-Windsor Manx Society reported membership increased from eighteen to eighty-eight members.

The great parade of five large busses and twenty-six automobiles with police escort, through Buffalo and Niagara Falls, with large Manx banners. Right of way in all traffic.

The interesting radio program, inspiring talk on the Isle of Man by Llewellyn Jones, Literary Editor of the Chicago Evening Post. Instrumental music by the Northeastern Manx Junior Orchestra. Soloists were Mrs. Colquitt, Toronto; Mr. Joe Clucas, Cleveland; Miss Eleanor Collister of Cleveland; Mr. Walter Quilliam of Cleveland.

The banquet, dance and entertainment at the Statler hotel. The speakers were Mr. Jones of Chicago and Mr. John E. Christian of Cleveland. Everybody taking part in the grand march.

The enthusiasm and applause when greetings were read from the Isle of Man from His Excellency Governor Hill. Ramsey B. Moore, Esq. A. B. Crookall, M. H. K. World's Manx Association. Mayor Wm. Corkill. George J. A. Brown, Esq. T. R. Radcliffe, M. H. K.

The wonderful meeting at the Fox Head Inn, Niagara Falls, Ontario. Presided over by Mr. J. R. Cain. The great boost given the N. A. M. A. by Mr. Arthur Callow of Toronto.

The reception given Rev. R. L. Cain of Southport after his address to the convention.

Fourteen delegates from different Manx Societies reported.

The entertainment furnished through the efforts of Mr. W. J. Quilliam of Cleveland and Mrs. Elmer Coole of Buffalo.

The presiding genius of Dr. J. J. Moore, of Chicago, who made all meetings interesting and all speeches entertaining.

The extra special effort of the management of the Statler Hotel for our comfort.

The great big picnic at Crystal Beach, Ontario. Over 400 attending.

300 registrations were recorded. Not the biggest convention in attendance but the most enthusiastic reunion yet held and financially a success.

Three cities were considered for the 1932 convention. Los Angeles, California; Winnipeg, Manitoba; London, Ontario. The meeting very enthusiastically voted our 1932 convention to be held in London, Ontario. Their slogan is "1000 in 1932 at London, Ontario."

THANK YOU!

May we in this issue sincerely say "Thank you" to the officers and members and the convention committee of the Buffalo Manx Society who worked so hard, cheerfully and untiringly.

To our Manx Societies, the Isle of Man Publicity Board, our members, patrons, and friends who donated to our Souvenir Book.

To our Past President, Daniel Teare, Los Angeles, for his very generous donation of \$100.00 to further the good work of the N. A. M. A. Also to Mr. W. P. Gill who donated \$50.00.

To all who attended our reunion for their support and kindly cooperation.

This all made for its wonderful success. A full report is not yet to hand but we know we will have \$425.00 to turn back into the treasury of the N. A. M. A. to keep up the good work. We think this is wonderful.

- - And now for London, Ontario, in 1932. We are counting on Your Support and co-operation. Please fill in the enclosed application Today! Be a Booster Member. Help us to keep sending out this little Manx paper.

Chicago Manx Society

The most successful annual banquet of the Chicago Manx Society in years took place at the Auditorium Hotel, Saturday evening, Dec. 5th, a capacity gathering of Sons and Daughters of Mona being present. The Rev. J. T. Kneen of La Crosse, Wis., gave the invocation, and there was hearty community singing, led by Walter J. Stevenson. Toasts to the United States and the Isle of Man were accompanied by singing of "America" and "Ellan Vannin" by the assembly.

President P. M. Watterson introduced as toastmaster, Thomas C. Kelly, who proved to be a very able presiding officer. The speaker of the evening, Llewellyn Jones, literary editor of the Chicago Evening Post, gave an excellent talk on the Manx in America and their recent very successful convention at Buffalo. He paid high tribute to the folk lore of Manxland, and urged his hearers to preserve and perpetuate that wonderful heritage. There were brief talks by President Watterson, ex-President Dr. J. J. Moore, the Rev. Mr. Kneen, the Rev. Joseph Partridge, of Forest, Ill., and Dr. Quine, of Ishpeming, Mich. Miss A. Comish, on behalf of the Society, presented a handsome bouquet to Mrs. Moore, and expressed the general admiration for her winning qualities and fine loyalty and fidelity to the Society's interests, which, also, she said, had been factors in the doctor's success.

A magnificent loving cup was presented to Dr. Moore in token of his labors in the past. In the midst of his surprise at this gift, a messenger arrived with a huge package for the doctor which proved to be a shining brass "jewel" of immense size, representing the Legs of Man, national emblem of the Isle.

The Metropolitan Quartet rendered stirring music and all joined in the concluding number, "O Land of Our Birth."

Installation of the new officers preceded the banquet.

Accompanist, Mrs. W. J. Stevenson.

Detroit-Windsor Society

The first annual banquet of the above society was held in Detroit last month, when 104 members sat down to a chicken dinner. Dr. J. J. Moore of Chicago was the speaker. A wonderful time was had by all and was very gratifying to the officers, who have worked so hard to make this society the success it is. They are hoping to send a large delegation to our London convention and are working with the London Society to make this an outstanding success.

Manx people in Detroit and Windsor should support this society and can become affiliated with same by writing R. H. Corkill, secretary, 14903 Ohio Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

Toronto Society

A wonderful time was had at their Annual Tea-party, Friday, November 3rd. Their program has been forwarded to us, which owing to limited space we are at this time unable to publish. We wish to thank the officers of the above society for six memberships already forwarded for 1932.

London, Ontario

On Tuesday, November 24th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Knowles, the members of this Society made a surprise visit to their beloved President, Mr. Tom Crinnin, who was about to depart to the old land, to visit his mother who is very ill. After dainty refreshments had been served, Mr. R. Quayle, addressing the president, said he had both a pleasant and sad duty to perform, pleasant because we all thought him a good fellow, and sad because he was leaving us for a little while and read to him an inspiring address. After which Mr. Tom Brown, Vice-President, called on Mrs. E. Faragher to make the presentation which she did in a few well-chosen words and pleasant manner, the gift being in the form of a handsome traveling bag. It was a beautiful occasion and the warm hand-clasp, carried its message of goodfellowship in golden silence, which spoke more eloquently than words—A God speed from each one and all.

Cleveland's Annual Festival

Friday evening, December 4th, was the date of the 81st Festival of the combined Cleveland Manx societies. The attendance this year was the best for years, and those who attended certainly had a real treat furnished them.

The dinner left nothing to be desired. Following the singing of "America," Mr. W. Harry Kelly, president of the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society, who capably presided as chairman for the evening, in a very fine talk welcomed the guests and gave a nice account of the different societies and spoke on the warm feeling that existed between them. He then introduced the toastmaster for the evening, Mr. L. G. Collister, Treasurer of Cuyahoga County.

Mr. Collister told his audience he understood the Manx cat was becoming extinct, many now having long tails. He spoke on the great interest Manx people took in their societies, and in the well-being of the country. He remarked that they certainly did not reflect the business depression when they could muster such a goodly number.

Mr. L. H. Widdis then sang in his very capable manner, "My Jean," and "Song by popular Manx composer." His renditions were well received.

Dr. Moore of Chicago, President of the North American Manx Association, was the speaker for the evening and he received a great ovation. He gave a very fine address on the N. A. M. A. and asked all Manx Societies to combine with it to make the Manx affairs forge ahead.

The entertainment was then turned over to the "Gay Nineties Concert Party," and they gave a half-hour's pleasure such as is seldom furnished. The entire party were gowned in the costumes of the period and all the old songs, duets, quartettes, and choruses, step-dancing and accordion solos were certainly typical of the time. The audience showed their appreciation in no uncertain manner. The artists of this party were: Evelyn Christian, Mildred Corris, Helen Minor, Gertrude Cannell, Claire Mylecraine, Robert Anderson, Ralph Mylecraine, Francis Paul, Alec Cannell, Douglas Cannell, and Mildred Cannell at the piano.

Mr. Kelly, the chairman, then thanked all the speakers, the artists, and all who had contributed to the success. He then paid a high tribute to the chairman of the Committee on arrangements, Mr. John R. Cain and asked him to rise. Mr. Cain said it always was a great pleasure for him to work for the Manx people and said the committee deserved the real thanks. He thanked Dr. Moore, Mr. Collister, Mr. Kelly and the artists and all those who attended for their support.

Ellan Vannin was then sung as only Manx people can sing.

Dancing followed until after midnight. Those who did not dance had a fine opportunity to visit.

From New York

3408—30th Street,
Long Island City, N. Y.

I have been in New York City over 25 years and met during that time only a dozen Manx people outside my own family.

A year ago I joined the N. A. M. A. and since then received letters from old friends of the long ago.

Have returned from the convention at Buffalo and met there many old friends and the children and grandchildren of friends I had known. How proud I felt to be one of them, and the welcome this old fellow received was worth living for.

I would ask all Manx people here to join the N. A. M. A. and they can be assured of a welcome like I received.

A Manx badge was sufficient to get you to Canada and back. To see the Rapids, the Falls, the Gorge, and the Whirlpool.

To be Manx is quite sufficient to be numbered among the most orderly and law abiding people in this country.

Truly yours,
Louis Kelly.

Los Angeles

May we congratulate the above society on the unanimous decision of its members in holding a Manx gathering in their city during the holding of the Olympic games August 4th, 5th, and 6th, 1932. This is a splendid spirit and will stimulate things Manx on the Pacific coast. So many of our Manx people in the west have found it impossible to come east and enjoy our reunions and this gathering will give them the opportunity of meeting those friends whom, though living in the western states, they have not met since leaving the Island. What an opportunity for our Manx friends in Arizona, California, Colorado, Oregon, Washington, Utah, Missouri, and other western states to meet their friends from the North Western Canada, to renew old acquaintances and perhaps meet some of our Eastern friends who may be there. With that strong delegation they are expecting from the Homeland, what a wonderful chance they will have of seeing our great country. Visit with the Manx people at Los Angeles, see the Olympic games, come back east and mingle with the Eastern Manx at London, Ontario, which we hope will be the biggest reunion yet held.

Make up your mind you are going to meet these people in Los Angeles. Daniel Teare, their fine President (who we are pleased to state is much better in health) will welcome you with open arms, and with the fine committee they have, your stay will be very enjoyable. For all particulars write T. Donald Bain, 5019 Halldale Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif.

The officers of the Los Angeles Manx Society are as follows: President, Daniel Teare; Vice-President, W. R. Callister; Treasurer, J. Edward Storey; and Secretary, T. Donald Bain.

Northeastern Ohio Junior Orchestra

The Junior Orchestra of the above Society (which everyone remembers entertained us so splendidly at the Buffalo convention) are holding their first dance of the year at the Leroy Grange Hall on January 9th. They will hold a series of entertainments during the year to secure funds to attend the London convention next year.

Good luck, boys, we're for you.

Let's All Fall In Line!

It is with pleasure I enclose the sum of six dollars being memberships for myself, four sons and brother to the North American Manx Association. Will you please send us our 1932 memberships, also send to their addresses your Bulletin, which we all appreciate greatly. We come from "Ramsey Town" and wish the Association every success and hope to meet all our friends at the next convention at London.

Sincerely yours,

SIDNEY SMITH,

Matheson, Ontario, Can.

We sincerely thank you, Mr. Smith, for your cooperation and support and will forward all memberships after January 1st.

We Are Sorry

We regret to record that Miss Amy C. Quayle, 1880 Chapman Avenue, East Cleveland, for 26 years the efficient secretary of the Mona's Relief Society, met with an unfortunate accident recently, resulting in a dislocated collar bone. Her many friends will be glad to know that she is making a speedy recovery.

The Spirit of the Season Brings Best Wishes

From A. B. Crookall
Honorary President

Mrs. Crookall gladly joins me in sending greetings of Good Will and good cheer to all our Manx friends. Also to wish them happiness, good health, and prosperity for the coming Christmas and throughout the year 1932. We realize that people everywhere are suffering from conditions that are unprecedented and world wide. We hope and feel that these distressing conditions are only of a temporary nature. Indeed there are signs already that the clouds are lifting and that soon we may hope to return to more normal times. We know that our Manx friends have, and will continue to show a bold front during this trying period, for that is a Manx characteristic. Finally that the Great Architect of the Universe will watch over and guide you all, is the wish of

A. B. CROOKALL.

From Ramsey B. Moore
Attorney General, Isle of Man

My heartiest Christmas greetings to our Manx kin-folk scattered throughout the world. Most of their minds will be turning homeward at this time of goodwill, and we will share with them every kind thought for one another's welfare, and for the prosperity of the things we hold dear. The little Manx nation is a heritage worth preserving. We have something quite definite to give to the world, and our common ambition is that all that is worthiest in our national character, and all that is truest in our national affection should be developed to the utmost. We join hands across the seas to wish you all a Happy Christmas.

R. B. MOORE.

From John R. Cain, Vice Pres.

The centuries have had their outstanding festival days which have gone with their civilizations but the spirit of Christmas has survived them all, because its meaning has inspired and gladdened human life and hearts everywhere man has been. This annual event has given not only joy to children but gives to men and women new life, new purpose and new hope. It is the time when the spirit of brotherhood and good will grips all thinking and sincere people and establishes unselfishness and toleration.

What a grand thing for this old world if we could carry this Christmas spirit always.

We Manx people are becoming more solidly welded together through the various societies every year and the things that are Manx, which is symbolic of the things that are worthwhile in life, are making a real impression for good. May this friendly spirit keep growing. Through this practical comradeship and fraternity we are given a wider opportunity for service. I appreciate the opportunity afforded me by being chosen to serve you as Vice-president and I shall try to merit that confidence.

In the spirit of this deeper friendship I extend to the members of the N. A. M. A., to the Manx people everywhere, and to those they love my sincere wishes for a Happy Christmastide and a New Year filled and running over with Good Health, real happiness and a speedy return to permanent prosperity.

JOHN R. CAIN,
Vice-President, N. A. M. A.

Fred Boyde, Treasurer

Members of the North American Manx Association, it is a pleasure to express my appreciation for the honor conferred on me by being re-elected Treasurer for another year.

My term of office can only be a success, when every member does his or her part.

The present year with its depression in business makes the task of running the affairs of the Association most difficult so co-operation will have to be our watchword.

At this season of the year when the spirit of good fellowship is everywhere, it is a fitting time to send in your dues for the ensuing year.

This will be appreciated by your officers.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

FRED BOYDE, Treasurer

Mona's Relief Society
Cleveland

To our Manx friends everywhere:

Once more we celebrate the anniversary of "God's gift to man."

With most of us the occasion brings up fond memories of other days. Carol singing and Oiel Verry, Christmas eve. We'll "hunt the wren" St. Stephen's day and maybe a lil drop for the "Quaalagh" on New Year's day should you happen to be the lucky one. Old Memories! How dear to the hearts of all of us.

In looking back over 1931 we have much to be thankful for and we are looking ahead to 1932 to bring us more opportunities for doing good. Mona's Relief Society wishes to share their joy and happiness in good wishes and good will toward the officers and members of the N. A. M. A. and all the Manx Societies everywhere and also to our many friends and relatives in the Isle of Man. May you all enjoy a right Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

THOS. A. CRETNEY, President.
AMY C. QUAYLE, Secretary,
1880 Chapman Ave., E. Cleveland

Ladies Auxiliary, Cleveland

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Mona's Relief Society in Cleveland send Christmas greetings to their Manx friends everywhere and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

The N. A. M. A. is to be congratulated on the splendid work they have accomplished in bringing a closer bond of friendship among the Manx people all over the United States and Canada. We trust the good work will continue and that they will meet with even greater success in the coming year.

MONA R. BERTSCH, President
AMY C. QUAYLE, Secretary,
1880 Chapman Ave., E. Cleveland

Toronto

Sends Season's Greetings to all kindred societies and to all Manxmen and Manxwomen all over the world.

A. CALLOW, President
C. H. McMEEKIN, Secretary,
685 Dovercourt Road

Mona's Mutual Benefit Society
Cleveland

The season of good will is at hand and the spirit of brotherly love is manifest on every hand, and it is with much pleasure that the officers and members of the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society extend the season's greetings to Manx people everywhere.

We also wish the officers and members of the N. A. M. A. a very successful year.

W. H. KELLY, President,
W. H. STEPHEN, Secretary,
1830 Roxford Road

Cleveland Manx Juniors

The officers and members of the Cleveland Junior Manx extend to all Manx Societies and Manx people everywhere best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

JACK CORLETT, President
ELINOR CAIN, Secretary,
488 East 126th Street

Chicago

The Chicago Manx Society extends to the Manx people throughout the world, best wishes for a happy and joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

May the times that are to come be as sunny, sweet, and pleasant, as the happy days at home.

We also congratulate the N. A. M. A. on its splendid success in bringing together so many of our kinfolk from all over Canada and the United States, that they may become more closely united. Here's hoping for a record breaking rally of sons and daughters of Mona at the next convention.

P. M. WATTERSON, President
FRED BOYDE, Secretary,
5044 W. Superior St.

Los Angeles

The officers and members of the Los Angeles Manx Society send greetings and best wishes to all our countrymen whithersoever dispersed around the globe. The timely old greeting, "A Merry Xmas, A Happy and Prosperous New Year," we again wish you, and may you enjoy all good things of life during the Festive Season.

Better times are just ahead in the business world. Let us all strive to make the year before us one to be remembered.

At this time maybe our thoughts go back to the first Xmas spent in our adopted country; to some of us that is quite a while back. How we looked forward to gathering around the Festive board with friends from Ellan Vannin. We were overflowing with love for all things Manx at that time, and we still feel that way. Then why not let us show our love more and become affiliated with our Manx Societies and the N. A. M. A. thereby giving heart to the men who are working so hard to keep intact our wonderful heritage.

DANIEL TEARE, President
T. DONALD BAIN, Secretary,
5019 Halldale Avenue,
Los Angeles, Calif.

r a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

London, Ontario

The officers and members of London, Canada, Manx Society desire at this season of the year to send greetings to their kinfolk throughout the world with delightful memories of the "White boys," "Moolagh Band," "The Callers" and the choir which awaken them on Christmas morning.

With best wishes for a Ollick Gennal as Blein Vie Noa.

TOM CRINNIN, President.
TOM BROWN, Vice-President
R. J. QUAYLE, Secy.-Treas.,
859 Hamilton Rd., London, Ont.

Winnipeg

May we take this opportunity to extend to all our Manx people and friends irrespective of where they may live our sincere Christmas Greeting. Let us hope that the coming New Year will show a decided improvement on the one which we are just saying goodbye to.

To many of the Manx folks on this continent the depression has caused hardship and losses financially and otherwise, but let us all be thankful that we cannot lose under any circumstances that wonderful heritage of just being Manx.

May we also make a direct appeal to all Manx people in America and Canada that they will not forget the North American Manx and by their individual support and co-operation give this deserving object the boost so necessary to carry on the good work.

Let us be able to state at our next convention that we have achieved the object to which we directed our efforts at Buffalo, namely, to have at least 1,000 paid members and when we come to consider the thousands of Manx people scattered all over this continent, surely we did not set our ambitions to reach too high a goal. Some of our people seem to treat this matter of national heritage in too light a manner, but when we consider the fact that we are the only race of people who can, or at least do put on a yearly convention and further make a success of doing it, then I say that there is a lot of credit coming to the people that do it and also the N. A. M. A. for making the effort possible.

Perhaps it is a little too soon to talk about our next convention to be held at London, Ontario, this coming year and then again it might be well to start thinking about it. I am sure that our American friends will enjoy visiting this lovely "Forest City" of Canada. Why not plan your holiday so that you can take in the convention and be amongst your own people for a while and also travel through some of the delightful spots in Canada to get there.

The Winnipeg Manx Society extends through the Bulletin all good wishes of the season to all Manx people and Fraternal Greetings to all Manx Societies.

JAS. Y. MANN, President.

The officers of the Winnipeg Manx Society are: Hon. President, R. W. Killey; President, James Y. Mann; Secretary, Wm. Quayle, Harbeson Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Montreal

It is indeed a pleasure to be afforded the opportunity of extending to our fellow Manxmen and Manxwomen, throughout the world, through the medium of the North American Manx Association bulletin, the best and sincerest wishes from the Montreal Manx Society for a happy Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.

As we approach this particular festive season, our thoughts naturally ramble back to our earlier childhood days in the dear little Island, and we think of the wonderful and glorious Christmases we spent at home, and I feel sure that it is the wish of many, many Manx folk abroad that they may have the opportunity to spend another Christmas season in the Island.

We look back at the old Manx Christmas customs of the "Callers," "the hunt the wren" boys, and the choirs and brass bands, singing and playing their Christmas carols on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. How we wish many times we had some of these old Manx Christmas customs in Canada and the United States.

We will be holding our Society's Christmas party on December 18th, and we are going to have a real jolly time. The program is going to be entirely given by the children of our Society, and they are practising hard now and intend to give us out here in Montreal the "Hunt the wren" and the Christmas Carols, and, of course, Santa Claus will be there, and this year the children of the Montreal Manx Society, instead of asking Santa to give them a toy, are bringing a toy to Santa, so that in turn, he may give these toys to the poorer children of Montreal, who otherwise would not have any.

In concluding, on behalf of the Montreal Manx Society, I pass along to our Manx folk throughout the world, the good old Manx greeting, "A happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year."

W. D. MOORE, President.
MONA CREGEEN, Secretary,
1402 Canora Rd., Mt. Royal, P. Q.

Greetings from Arizona

The Manx people of this state wish to extend Heartiest Greetings for a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year to Manx people in all parts of the world.

May the above message help each and everyone of us in more ways than one, and turn our hearts to the efforts being put forth by the North American Manx Association to draw us closer together.

A. CORRIN, Box 3222, Lowell, Ariz.

Rochester, N. Y.

To our kinsfolk throughout Canada and the United States—also to our "ain folk" in the "lil Island" the Rochester Manx Society sends its best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

TOM E. CREBBIN, President
DAN W. CHRISTIAN, Secretary,
31 Nellis Park, Rochester, N. Y.

Buffalo

The Buffalo Manx Society wishes all its Manx friends near and far:

"The kind of Christmas wish that stays
Deep in the heart for days and days
That is the kind of a wish we are sending you
For Christmas and the whole year through."

C. G. KERRUISH, President.
B. CAINE, Secretary,
354 Minnesota Avenue.

Akron

The officers and members of the Akron Manx Society send greetings to all kindred societies, hoping the new year will be a happy and more prosperous one. Success to the N. A. M. A.

JACK BRIDSON, President.
ANNE CRELLIN, Secretary,
298 Black St.

Detroit and Windsor

Once again Christmas is drawing near, and it gives me great pleasure to extend the best wishes and good will of our society to all fellow Manx throughout the world.

Christmas invites us to look beyond our narrow circles if we are to get the best out of it, so let all true Manxmen live up to their traditions: "An open heart and a helping hand," and make some one happy.

A good deed done, always brings a blessing from God, for His Holy Word teaches us to be kind and true.

This little verse can best express the wishes of our society to all mankind.

Good wishes we are sending you,
The Bells ring out our message true,
For Christmas time is here.
"God have you ever in His care"
Shall be our constant, earnest prayer
Throughout the coming year.

J. LOUIS HIGGINS, President.

The officers of the Detroit and Windsor Manx Societies are: President, Louis Higgins; Vice-President, Richard Mercier; Treasurer, Mrs. Jean Munro; Secretary, Richard H. Corkill, 14903 Ohio Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

Saskatchewan

The Saskatchewan Manx Society extends hearty Christmas and New Year greetings to all kindred societies.

W. G. TEARE, President
MRS. W. E. KELSO, Secretary,
1218 Grafton Avenue,
Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Can.

Northeastern Ohio Society

Sincerest Yuletide Greetings to Manxmen throughout the world, from the North Eastern Ohio Manx Society. Our latch string is always out.

A. KILLEY, President
MRS. G. W. SMITH, Secretary,
535 Mentpr Avenue, Painesville

From The Delegates' Reports at the Buffalo Convention

Buffalo R. E. Caine

I am sorry our President is not here to give his own report.

I did not expect to have the pleasure of speaking here. In behalf of the Manx Society, I want to say it has been a pleasure. It is not an easy thing to put across a Convention especially in the times we have now. I am certainly more than pleased to think the Convention has gone through the way it has.

It is mighty pleasing to see the way everybody has fallen into line. Everybody seems to be having a good time and if not, it is their own fault. We have tried to do everything here.

I think our Society in Buffalo numbers about 36 members. In that little Society of 36 members everybody has buckled down to the job. All the Committee heads have gone ahead in a whole-hearted way. It really has been a pleasure to work with them. Like our Mrs. Coole who handled the entertainment—nobody interfered in any way with anything she did. We knew it would be done properly.

I noticed last night there was something said at the table about Dr. Moore's Society going to be best. I disagree with him, I think Buffalo is going to be best. I really think this Convention was a very fine thing for Buffalo. I think it is going to build up our Society here. I am not a bit afraid to say that I think in the next six months we will have 100 members in the Society.

It is a fine thing to get people to turn out in the various cities where your conventions meet. I am sorry you cannot have a convention here again next year. We sometimes did things some did not like but we got away with it.

I have nothing further to say. I am more on the fun end than the serious end of this thing. Nothing more to report on Buffalo Society. Again I want to say that I am pleased we had such a turn-out and hope you will be just as good at the next Convention as you have been to us.

Mona's Relief Society Thomas A. Cretney, President

It is a privilege to talk to you again like this especially when you have so many good speakers here. It is not every day we have an opportunity of talking to so many friends and fellow countrymen from all over the continent as we do here at these meetings. We meet so many friends here, have so many things to talk about that we are all keyed up in advance in anticipation of this event.

We are fortunate indeed this year to have as many people here as we have, especially on account of the distressing year we have had. It speaks volumes for the Manx people. We await the meeting of the clan each year and we look forward to them confidently. We think that they bring us a new faith in this movement and a new vision of what it really stands for and what it means to all of us, bringing us a new confidence in everything that is Manx. It is doubtful if there can be any true and lasting order that does not grow out of service.

I believe that if these conventions have done nothing else, they have stimulated friendships and they have been renewed each year. I don't say all can visualize the end of this thing, maybe few of the rank and file I doubt can see the end of it. We are building on a firm foundation, friendships, good fellowship, mutual helpfulness—I do not think is a very bad foundation to build on.

I do not think you will find many societies who had courage to put on a convention at this time in face of all the disappointments and discouragements thrown in their way. I happen to know some of them. I am mighty glad it is a success. It is remarkable the way this convention has been put on and the highest praise is due the Buffalo Manx Society and helpers, as well as officers of the N. A. M. A., who can put on a meeting of this kind in a year like this.

I do not see why we cannot have one thousand in place of 250 in the year to come. We are hoping that these meetings will strike at our deepest needs. Above all, we are hoping that these meetings will bring us in closer contact with each other and give us a better vision of what this movement really stands for.

Manx people all over this continent and fellow Manxmen across the seas who are here, I come to you today as the delegate from the oldest Manx Society in existence. A society whose members are justly proud, justly well pleased not only has it backed them up but has been a credit to the officers and membership and we invite you when you are in the city to stop and visit with us.

I have been talking to our good friend John R. Cain about this Convention and I know how anxious he is to have it go over. I am glad our membership backed the N. A. M. A. one hundred per cent at this convention.

Mona's Mutual Benefit Society

W. H. Kelly, President

I was not very long in the lobby of this hotel on Wednesday night until I met a man who said, "What is your name?" He said after I told him, "Every second person I meet is Kelly."

Friends, I have the honor of representing the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society of Cleveland. The only Society in the World exclusively for Manxmen and their descendants. It gives me great pleasure to convey to the officers and members of the N. A. M. A. and the Buffalo Society, greetings from our Society.

Our society was formed by early pioneers who settled in the Warrensville district. It was founded 76 years ago for the purpose of helping each other. When we wonder over those words, "helping each other." If we could only put those into real practice, we certainly would make a name for the Manx people of this North American Continent. Our society is one of the cheapest insurances for a man to take out.

It certainly fills me with great pride when I think of the Buffalo Society and the wonderful manner in which they have put the Convention over. It clearly demonstrates it is not numbers that count but individual team work. If we would put the effort in our Society as people of Buffalo have done what a wonderful organization we could make. Friends in Buffalo, the eyes of the Manx people of the World are on you during these three days and when they read the account of this convention it certainly will be a pleasure to the Manx people throughout the world. You certainly should be complimented for what you have done.

This convention has been wonderful but if the people of the Buffalo Manx Society after this convention just keep patting themselves on the back, this convention will not have been a success. I would rather that you emulate that fine example that Toronto has set for you. At convention time they had 80 members. Today they have 250. I would like to say to the Buffalo Society your work has just begun, the foundation laid is a solid one—it is now for you to build up a grand Manx Society in the city of Buffalo.

To the officers of the N. A. M. A., I would like to say that they have passed through one of the most trying years this country has ever experienced. It gives me a source of pleasure when you say your work has been crowned with success during these days of the convention.

Whatever you remember about this convention when you go to your respective homes, if you will take these few words with you, "Help every Manxman you come in contact with, encourage them to join local societies, also N. A. M. A.," your convention will have been a success.

Ladies Auxiliary Society Mrs. Bartholomew

I have pleasure in extending to you from the Ladies Auxiliary of the Mona's Relief of Cleveland, Ohio, which I believe, is the only Manxwomen's organization in the world—organized in 1899 and now having a membership of 170, greetings.

A great many members are American born and have not visited the Isle of Man but are desirous of learning all traditions of the home life of their forefathers.

Cleveland Juniors Mona Cretney

I am certainly proud to be here as a representative of the Cleveland Junior Society. It is the first time any delegate was sent from a Junior Society.

Two years ago it was noticed that a number of Cleveland Juniors were present and many of them were unacquainted, so this Society was formed.

We have no meetings in the summertime. However we do something each month. We had a wiener roast in June, in July a picnic and in August our regular picnic.

Society is made up of Juniors between the ages of 12 and 18 years. We have 60 members on our roll at the present. 30 active members.

If there is any further information just ask Elinor Cain or myself and we will be very glad to give all the information you desire.

It gives me pleasure to extend good wishes of Cleveland Juniors.

Chicago Mrs. Gunn

As delegate from Chicago, I bring you greetings from the Chicago Manx Society. In 1933 we hope to see you all in Chicago.

The N. A. M. A. is a wonderful thing. I found an aunt, who has 3 sons married and a daughter living here in Buffalo. I have not seen her for nearly 50 years and we became acquainted again. If it had not been for the convention I would never have met her.

I have enjoyed myself very much and if it had not been for the Convention I would not have a vacation. Each year the Convention decides my vacation.

Toronto Arthur Callow, President

I am not going to say very much as I have got to say something at the tea party this afternoon.

Might say as far as Toronto is concerned we were some of the first to join the N. A. M. A. In 1928 we paid for 110 members and at that time we had a large majority of the membership of the N. A. M. A.

Since I came to Buffalo, Mrs. Callow received a letter from Toronto that any person who wanted to hear a good singer over the radio every Friday night should tune in on Toronto. We hope some of the members will hear it. He has sung, "What happened to the Manx Cat's Tail" about five times by request.

Of course we have our tea party every year on the 12th of November. I might say that we have ginger bread men and women like the tea parties in the Isle of Man. I had our good friend, Mr. Kissack of London to the tea party and we had these ginger bread pieces and I saw Mr. Kissack picking them up and stuffing them in his pockets.

From The Delegates' Reports at the Buffalo Convention

Winnipeg
James Mann, President

I just bring you greetings from the Winnipeg Society and all Manx people in Manitoba.

We had a lovely trip down. We have a lady with us who is a representative of one of the ladies' societies. We have a big society in Winnipeg and are still growing. I have a bet with one of the members that we can increase ten per cent. We already have and I won that bet and it is one that is going to be paid and turned into the funds of the Society.

However, we have a wonderful city. It is only in the making now. It is cold in the wintertime and the houses are built accordingly so that we can keep them heated.

Before I left I received a letter from Mayor Ralph Webb, who is a great man for conventions to invite you people to hold your next convention in 1932 in Winnipeg. The convention was held in the U. S. this year and I think the courtesy should be returned. This is N. A. M. A. I hope you will avail yourself of this invitation and I might also explain that I did not have time to consult the other members of the Winnipeg Manx Association but I can do that when I go back. They will all be in favor.

If you avail yourself of our hospitality, we will do our utmost to do the best. I will not say we can equal Toronto or Buffalo. But more conventions are held in Winnipeg than any other city on North American continent. We have cheapest power in this country. We have open air.

There are representatives of a Junior Society here. If their parents came from the Isle of Man, while they owe a duty to this country, the land of their adoption, they get their greatest heritage from the parents who came from the Isle of Man.

Montreal
Mr. Gawne

We have the open door of Canada. A good many people come but do not stay and go on to other societies.

In Montreal there was a Manx girl who lived about 50 miles away. One day there was an explosion and this girl was blown to pieces. Her friends sent word to the Manx Society telling of the accident. We advised to send body along and we would bury her. We did bury her and although her friends could not be with her the Society stands in their place.

We are open to work along these lines.

During the war a lot of people from the States were fighting for their country. One day a friend sent a present to one of some cherries in brandy. He sent a note back and thanked the friend for the present and especially for the spirit in which it was sent.

There were a number of people who were out of work in Montreal and the Manx Society found employment for them or they were helped by friends.

I thank you for the good time given in Buffalo. I will not however invite you to Montreal as there is not much to see except the big ships.

I have attended every convention and I have been to the old country twice myself.

London, Ontario
Thos. Crinnin, President

It gives me great pleasure to convey to you heartiest greetings from London, Society.

At the convention in Cleveland, I was delegate. London was very conspicuous by its shyness I was told by one lady.

The N. A. M. A. is a wonderful thing and should receive the support of every Manx person on this continent. You have carried on this noble work without encouragement and it certainly is up to us to support you.

Regarding the Bulletin, we are heartily in support of that. Records show 80 per cent of the members subscribing to the Bulletin.

North Eastern Ohio
A. Killey, President

As a delegate from one of the new societies, I bring to you congratulations and greetings from 200 members of the North-eastern Ohio Manx Society. It extends from Cleveland boundary to Ashtabula and inland 10 miles.

Our one greatest work is the organizing of the Junior Manx Orchestra who are here in Buffalo and will entertain you during the convention.

Detroit and Windsor
Richard H. Corkhill, Secretary

The Mona Club of Detroit was started and with advertising in the Isle of Man Times and the assistance given by the N. A. M. A. in organization we started with a membership of 18 members. Now we have a paid up membership of 36 members and still growing. Thought the Bulletin was doing a splendid job and advised everybody to support the N. A. M. A.

Akron
Mrs. Housell

I am glad to be here to meet you all as a delegate of the Akron Society. We are not a very old society. We are sorry our president could not be here. His son is very ill. He had planned to come and bring his family.

Akron is on the map. They all talk about facilities but if you ever want to fly any place, just come to Akron and we will give you that.

Mrs. Cubbon; Douglas

Peel is my father's home. I think if we Manx people only realized what we have to be proud of, we would guard it. Through carelessness we lose out.

The Manx had 16 of the finest folk songs that could be found. Twelve were taken by other nations and we only have four but we are requested to take care of the four folk songs. Folk lore on the island is really older than the Sagas of Scandinavia.

If you people could really understand what we have in the way of rich folk lore, runic crosses and runes, you would be proud.

I love the wonderful Isle. I have only been there six years but I am leaving the 29th of the month and am mighty glad to go back.

Mrs. Busby, Douglas

There are some people here who are not Manx but who are interested in our affairs. I am delighted to be in Buffalo at the convention. When we left the Isle of Man, we left so as to be here for the convention. We were all treated beautifully. It is my first trip to Buffalo and I convey the greetings of the Manx people, especially Mr. Crookall.

London, Ontario
Philip Kissack

I do not think there is any need for me to say anything further about the London Manx Society. Mr. Crinnin has done that very well.

I feel sure that if every Manx Society had such worthy officers as the London Society, they would not have to complain about the scarcity of members in the N. A. M. A.

One thing more, we have heard a lot during this convention about Tom Brown and his writings. He has given us some wonderful poems but I do think we should offer a little praise to his brother. He has given us one of the sweetest hymns. Especially the one verse and since I have lost my sight, I appreciate it very much.

Los Angeles
Robert Craine

I feel like calling you all brothers and sisters. It is a pleasure for me to be at this convention and I have enjoyed it very much.

I am sure that this convention has been an inspiration to me. Of course out in California, some of you would have to come a long way but that is not very far when you think about it.

I bring greetings of California and Los Angeles to you. I think there is no state like California, sunshine every day and we would like you to come out there.

I was just thinking about the Buffalo, Cleveland and Toronto Societies. Why, I remember we had two people when we first started over 70 years old who came 226 miles to be initiated into our Manx Society.

A word about the Bulletin. I wonder if you know the good it has done. In Northern and Southern California the people certainly appreciate the Bulletin.

Quebec
Mrs. Benson

There are only two Manx people in Quebec City. I made inquiry and found there are no more. It is very lonesome with nobody to talk to about home and I will be very happy when we move to a city where there is a society so I can feel that I am a worker.

Albany, N. Y.
Lieut. Col. Quirk

I am so glad to have had the privilege of attending this convention and in meeting so many Manx people.

I have been in Albany since I left Cleveland some 40 years ago and everywhere I go I let the people know I am a Manxman. I am proud of the fact that I was born on the Isle of Man of Manx parentage. Lots of times I have to tell people where the Isle of Man is.

I left home in 1892, and I left an old friend there. Fifteen years after when I returned, I looked him up and he looked just as young then as when I left home. I went to France and when I came back, some friend told me the old fellow had just passed away. You do not need to go to Los Angeles or California to live a long, ripe old age.

Mr. Sayles, whose father was a Manxman, one of the finest Manx folks, tells me anywhere from 17 to 18 descendants of Manx people live in Albany. All are good citizens of Albany, and are holding good positions in the city.

Rochester, N. Y.
Mr. Shepard

The Manx Society of Rochester, N. Y., came into existence in June of this year. We organized with about 25 members. Since we organized we held one other meeting which was attended by about 25 people. We have also held a picnic which was enjoyed by about 60 people, who showed a splendid spirit of co-operation and loyalty to the organization.

We have already become a member of the N. A. M. A.

So far as we know we can claim right to be called the infant of the N. A. M. A. but we are determined to grow into a healthy child and become a helpful addition to the other wonderful Manx societies through the United States and Canada. It is our aim to be in touch with every Manx person living in Rochester and vicinity.

That is all the report but I feel proud to be here among so many happy faces.

As I listened to Mr. Christian and last night I thought about the Bulletin. The Bulletin is one of the best things we have. Every family is looking for news from one place to another. We can spare \$1.00 or a little more if necessary. Ask every member in this room to get another member to pay \$1.00 for the Bulletin and I am sure we will make it a success.

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MEMBERSHIP

Our financial year ends December 31st and to the officers of the N. A. M. A. it has been a year of financial disappointment regarding membership enrollment. We expected to have had this year 1000 members, but are sorry to state that our paid up membership is only 471.

To those of you who have supported us these years will hardly believe this with so many thousands of our Manx people on this North American Continent to whom we are sending our Bulletin.

Since October 1st, 1930 (including this issue), we have mailed over 26,000 copies of the Bulletin and this has cost our Association \$1,474.16 for printing and mailing same. Perhaps you do not appreciate our effort but we sincerely try to make each issue as interesting as possible. We can only do our job as your agents for the N. A. M. A. by trying to bring we Manx people a little closer together, and to send that little bit of Manx news from our different societies to our kinfolk who appreciate this news, many of whom live in the lonesome places and have no society in their districts. We want to be able to function so that we can fill one of the big things an International organization like the N. A. M. A. could and should do.

This is not a sob story, but facts, and if you could read some of the letters of appreciation we receive you would be as interested as we are in trying to get you to become members of our Association. When you consider our dues are only one dollar a

year—2 cents a week. Cut out your daily paper one day and let the Bulletin fit into that day and you will be helping us to help our kinfolk who are sometimes hungry for a little Manx news.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee, it was decided that we could only mail our Bulletin to those who have given us that financial assistance which has made it possible to publish our little paper. We are sorry to have to state these facts, but our treasurer's report clearly shows us that we cannot continue to do this on our present finances. We only wish it were possible to mail every Manxman and woman a copy. This wish can become a reality if you will fill in the application for membership, copy enclosed, and MAIL YOUR DOLLAR ALONG WITH SAME, and you will have done your part.

We hope you will enjoy this copy. We have tried to make it bigger and better and hope you will appreciate the kindly spirit in which it is sent to you. Personally may I wish everybody

The Season's Greetings

May this holiday season be the most delightful of your life and hope when the year 1932 rolls in for you it will bring an abundance of happy days, which means to all Manx people

A Happy New year

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

MANX POEMS

When I was Young, and Other Poems. By Philip W. Caine, Office of the "Isle of Man Times," Douglas, Isle of Man. Price 1/6.

This is a well-printed volume that we can confidently advise all readers of the N. A. M. A. Bulletin to add to their libraries. The author is chief reporter on the staff of the "Isle of Man Times" and is (a rare combination in these days) a Manx scholar as well as a skillful writer of English. The poems have principally been written to suit various old Manx tunes which were bereft of words, but some in the collection are fresh translations from the Manx, and all ably picture the quaint thought and humor of our little island home. Manx and dialect words and phrases give additional native color to the verses, and these need cause no inconvenience to either the older or the younger generation, for they are fully explained in a glossary.

A modest fifty cents forwarded to the author will bring this desirable book to any address in the United States or Canada.

In Memoriam

We regret to report the death of Mrs. F. A. Edmondson, 935 Kensington Road, Los Angeles, California, a charter member of the Los Angeles Manx Society and a member of the N. A. M. A.

Mrs. Scarffe, 1223 Gray Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Donald Bridson, 899 Woodward Avenue, Akron, Ohio, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bridson, President of the Akron Manx Society. Donald passed away Thursday, October 8th, after a long illness very patiently borne. We visited him after the Buffalo Convention and he wished us to sincerely thank all his friends who mailed him postcards from that city. He appreciated them and spent many happy hours over these little tokens of sympathy sent to him.

To his parents and all relatives and friends of the above members we extend our deepest sympathy.

IMPRESSIONS OF THE CONVENTION

"Arrangements Perfectly Planned"

Rev. R. L. Cain, of Southport, England, who attended the Convention, has recorded his impressions as follows:

For years I had a great desire to see Canada, but plans did not mature! At last I saw in the Manx papers that a Manx Convention was to be held at Buffalo!—here was a special attraction. I arrived at Statler Hotel in Buffalo, the headquarters of the Manx Convention, on Wednesday afternoon, August 12th, about 5 p. m. Already Manx friends were gathering, and I pen these few lines to give my impressions of the gathering.

(a) The first impression was the Masonic brotherly spirit which exists amongst the people of the "Ill Island" who have "gone foreign." Whatever may be the shyness of Manx people at home, here in Buffalo there was an atmosphere of geniality, comradeship, and friendship throughout the convention. A stranger was made to feel at home, and though one had not set foot in Canada or on American soil before, he felt amongst such a family party as though he was in the Isle of Man more than in the States.

(b) The arrangements were planned to perfection, details were carried through without a hitch, Mr. A. B. Kelly and Mr. Earle Cain, of Buffalo, are born organizers.

(c) The speech-making rose to a high point of eloquence. One felt convinced after the gathering that if ever a Manxman has a seat in the House of Commons he will easily hold his own in the Parliamentary debates.

(d) A most impressive moment (to me the impressive moment) in the gathering, was when the roll call of the departed members during the year, was called; as the company rose in silence and then there broke upon the silence the singing of the first verse of the hymn "Jesus Lover of my Soul" by Mr. Walter Quilliam—the effect was most telling. Mr. Quilliam has a wonderful voice. I believe before long he is to be in England as a member of an American choir which are touring the homeland.

(e) It was a most happy idea for the organizers to arrange an excursion to Niagara on the Friday afternoon. This again was a great success. The weather was perfect, and to see the Falls illuminated at night is a remarkable sight.

(f) Dr. J. J. Moore with his genial witticisms made an ideal chairman. Mr. J. R. Cain proved himself an adept officer, his remarks were always business like and to the point. It was most interesting to listen to Mr. Llewellyn Jones, and to hear his reminiscences of bygone days in Douglas in connection with "The Manx Sun" (a paper now no longer published). I do hope that Mr. Jones' eulogy to the memory of T. E. Brown will find a place in the Brown Museum, Douglas.

To a visitor and outsider the whole Convention was indeed a memorable experience.

I was delighted to see our old friend Mr. Louis Kelly so hale and hearty and full of spirits. It seems a long time now since he was engaged in building the Central Hotel, Broadway, Douglas. I was also delighted to meet my friend Mr. Edwin H. Kelsey.

I hope to again have the pleasure of meeting the Manx people of the North American Continent at another of these happy reunions.

FROM ORRIN QUIGGIN

"Cardermers"

Perry, Ohio.

I was greatly honored by the Manx Societies of Cleveland, by their passing congratulatory resolutions for my hundred and first birthday anniversary. It was a genuine "surprise party," when the committee of splendid, kindly-hearted Manxmen came to see me at that time, and their talk recalled the good old days. I am feeling fine for a "young old man" and send greetings to all my Manx friends.

Sincerely,

ORRIN W. QUIGGIN.