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Christmas



Greetings

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

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Christmas Greetings From Our President

My dear Manx Friends:-

Santa Claws is with us again and in a few weeks' time we will all, God willing, be celebrating Christmas festivities.

At this season of the year, our thoughts are not only concentrated on our immediate loved ones, but also on those who are far distant away in the Old Land.

Christmas is a time of giving, either in the form of greetings, or of gifts, or of financial assistance to enable less fortunate ones to enjoy the same true Christmas spirit as we will enjoy.

What a dismal world it would be if Christmas were taken out of it! We are thankful to God, however, that this is impossible due to the very fact that Christmas after all symbolizes the greatest gift that has ever been made—the gift to the people of the world nearly 2,000 years ago, of the child Jesus.

It is my hope that as we have our family reunions, wherever we may be gathered together, that we will not over-commercialize this Christmas season but be happy and thankful in the thought which underlies the very foundation of Christmas.

Is there a more cheery greeting, whether spoken or written, than the age-old Christmas salutation: "A



WILLIAM DAWSON MOORE, J. P.
President, N. A. M. A.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR".

It is the greeting of joy and gladness that warms the heart and brings

friends closer to each other no matter how far distant they may be. It is the truthful expression of the regard that one person has for another—the salutation of understanding and friendliness—the manifestation of kindness among friends and kindred. It is the greeting that interprets for us the true meaning of Christmas and New Years.

I appeal to all Manx Societies and Manx people throughout our Continent to see to it that the spirit and festivities of Christmas are not lost to any fellow-Manx person owing to lack of assistance on our part—assistance in any possible way—and this must apply not only to our fellow-Manx folk, but also to anyone whom we can reach and who is in unfortunate circumstances through no fault of their own.

Therefore, as we approach the Christmas season, I wish to extend to you, one and all, and through the medium of our Bulletin, to all Manx folk throughout the world, on behalf of Mrs. Moore and myself, our sincere and best wishes that you may all have a really Merry Christmas, and may the New Year bring to you rich blessings in every way.

W. D. MOORE,
President.

Christmas — A Season of Remembrance

We of the North American Manx Association have much to be grateful for at this Yuletide Season. Despite political strife and rumors of impending wars throughout Europe, our own kinfolk in dear Ellan Vannin go about their daily tasks with the same fortitude that has characterized them throughout the centuries.

Here in North America, we have during the year recorded another impressive Manx Convention held in Winnipeg, and made especially memorable by the visit of Attorney General Ramsey B. Moore and Honorable Joseph D. Qualtrough. Their genial personalities and their inspiring messages delivered at the Convention, and upon their visits elsewhere throughout the Continent, gladdened

our hearts and awakened tender memories of the Homeland.

Manx affairs in North America have, during the past year, obtained much notice in the Public Press. We are particularly grateful to President Wm. D. Moore and his loyal helpers who have faithfully carried on the work of the N. A. M. A. The thinning of our ranks, caused by the passing of older members each year, imposes upon the younger generation a constantly growing responsibility. There is need to relate to our Kith and Kin the story of our early Manx pioneers in both the United States and Canada, lest in these more comfortable years we lose altogether our appreciation of those sterling qualities of Manx character, which the hardships of pio-

neering in new lands brought into clear relief. The story of their lives gives faithful evidence of their trust in God, their loyalty to the traditions of our Manx race, and the exemplification of the highest ideals of citizenship.

Possibly we need also to give more earnest thought to the perpetuation of the ideals for which the N. A. M. A. stands, beyond our own day and generation, and thus to help assure the permanency of this inspiring cause.

To our own Manx people at home in Ellan Vannin, and in North America, and the world round, I send sincerest wishes for a joyous Christmastide and a New Year fraught with many blessings.

THOMAS C. KELLY, Past President.





N. A. M. A. Executives Extend Season's Greetings

FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENTS

To All Manx Folks Far and Near:
May they have a Merrier Christmas
and a Happier New Year than ever
before.

Season's Greetings from,
Mrs. ALVA R. CORLETT,
Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

We are approaching the season of great spiritual opportunity and rich human fellowship. Christmas has come to be a festival of friendship, as well as a birthday celebration, and rightly so, for it was God's friendly interest in humanity which caused him to present to us the greatest Christmas Gift ever given—"His only Son".

I cannot permit this Season to pass without conveying to you my deep sense of gratitude for your friendship and for your cooperation with the North American Manx Association. Let us magnify love, friendship and service, and thereby cherish our Manx activities.

To one and all of you, and to all whom you hold dear, accept this greeting, and may your portion of the Christmas Joy be truly plentiful, and may the glad song of the angels find

an echo of the Christmas Peace in your heart.

Cordially yours,

R. H. CORKILL,
Detroit, Michigan.

It is with great pleasure that I extend Christmas Greetings to Manx folk everywhere.

But just how to phrase it? "Aye—there's the rub."

To improve upon the old wording, "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year" seems well nigh impossible, particularly as it has the sanctity almost of tradition, and conveys the tenderest memories to us all; yet differing with each individual.

But it would seem singularly appropriate at this time—with a world feverishly rearming—to stress the message of "good will to men" as propounded by the Prince of Peace; and may we all do our utmost to forward the doctrine of "Peace on earth" on all occasions.

So it gives me happiness—since I cannot improve upon the old wording—to wish Manx men and women everywhere—in Ellan Vannin, on this

large continent, wherever you may have roamed, on land, or on the Seven Seas: "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year."

W. F. QUINE,
Conquest, Sask., Canada.

To our Manx people, here and everywhere.—I wish a world of Happiness at the Christmas Season!

With the coming of the New Year may you retain happy memories of the past, health and prosperity in the present, high hopes for the future; and may realization crown your hearts' desires!

GERTRUDE CANNELL,
Financial Sec.-Treas.

At this Christmas Season, it gives me great pleasure to extend sincere Greetings to Manx friends in all parts of the world. May the coming year be Happy and Prosperous for all of you as individuals, for your local Manx Societies and for the North American Manx Association and its auxiliary groups.

CLAIRE M. MYLECRAINE,
Corres. & Record. Sec.



Old Manx Christmas

Christmas Eve! To all of us the words bring visions of lighted tree and gleaming candle, of holly and mistletoe, goose and plum pudding, of fun and good fellowship, of moonlight on quiet town and countryside—and of boys and girls singing Christmas carols all through the long mid-winter night.

Somehow to us Manx people, this last picture—the Christmas carollers—means more than all the more material side of the Christmas season. That spiritual, reverent aspect of the Manx character creates an eager anticipation of this beautiful Christmas custom. "It's lek the singers will be roon' afther a while". Here in America, too, young Manx people have gone around, carrying the old and well-loved custom to Manx doors, and "Hark the Herald Angels Sing", and "While Shepherds Watched" have been heard in the silence of snowy streets—ending always with the old Manx favorite—"Glory to Thee, My God, This Night".

Just as in England, the custom goes back many, many years. In the Isle of Man it probably originated with the Christmas Eve service, the "Oie'l Verrey". Along the dark country roads,

from farm and cottage, came the folk to the parish church. Each one brought a candle; the church itself was decked with holly and hibbin (ivy); what a quaint and charming picture in the light of all those flickering candles! Think of it in Ballaugh Old Church, or in Kirk Bride. After the hymn and prayers, the "Pazon" departed; however the congregation remained under charge of the Clerk, and now began the singing of the "carvals". Sometimes different individuals sang in turn, and as usual with Manx folk when their voices get warmed up, the singing continued until a late hour. Then there was the walk home under the Christmas stars—the road hard with frost; maybe a patch or two of snow in the fields, and somewhere in the distance the booming of the sea. Some would probably stop at a roadside inn to warm up with the customary Christmas cheer—hot ale flavored with spice, ginger and pepper, and then home to bed.

For the whole twelve days—from Christmas Day to January 6th, there was merry-making in every Manx village in the old days. Fiddlers were hired and every barn in the Island

was thrown open for dancing and festivity, night after night through the Christmas season.

"Hunt the Wren"—that most curious custom of St. Stephen's Day, now involves no more than a group of small boys with a bush on top of a pole, going from house to house singing their own version of "Robin the Bobbin". But the "Hunt the Wren" superstition goes back into the very mists of history, and has been observed not only in the Isle of Man, but in parts of England and Ireland, and even in France.

New Year's Day, was once called in Manx "Laa Néllick Bog"—"Little Christmas Day", and we all know that most popular Manx custom of welcoming the "qualtagh" or first visitor of the New Year. The "first-foot" should preferably be a man of dark complexion to bring good luck to the house—a fair person, particularly a woman—was considered unlucky.

Nowadays we welcome the "qualtagh"—man or woman, dark or fair—with equally joyous hospitality, confident that only the best of luck is

Your 1937 Convention City—Rochester, N. Y.

Rochester, N. Y., on the south shore of Lake Ontario, on the banks of the Genesee River, in the heart of the Finger Lakes' Region, with its fertile lands and clear blue lakes, traces its beginning in the history of the locality. Rochester stands on the ashes of campfires of the proud Iroquois, whose Indian trails are now developed into ribbons of cement highways, which beckon you toward our city.

Location, climate, natural advantages, and man-made improvements all combine to make Rochester the perfect convention city. Mild, sunny springs; warm summers, with a succession of sunny days only occasionally broken by a brief, cool summer shower; autumns that are a blaze of beauty and color, with cool, brisk days; and winters of snappy days, when the city is covered by a blanket of snow—thus the weather in all seasons is such as to add beauty to the city, and make it a pleasant place for the visitor—never too hot for those who are accustomed to cool weather, never too cool for those who live in warmer climes.

The setting is incomparable—picture to yourself a city bridging the historic falls and deep gorges of the Genesee, within a few minutes drive from Lake Ontario, where twenty-six lakeside resorts are filled in summer with city folk tired of the hurry and bustle of the winter, eager to rest and play; within a few hours' drive from eight sapphire Finger Lakes, set deep in green valleys, surrounded by tree-covered hills; a setting worthy of the Flower City. Rochester is also easily accessible—whether one prefers to travel by bus, train, auto, boat, or plane, and it is within an overnight ride from home for three-fourths of the population of the United States—thus it is conveniently placed for the majority of the members or prospective members of your organization.

The city is able to receive its guests as few cities can—seventeen first-class hotels, with excellent accommodations at moderate prices; innumerable fine restaurants, attractive shops and large department stores.

Every year Rochester entertains over 200 large conventions, and each group leaves the city believing as never before in the truth of the phrase—Rochester—"America's Friendliest City." The hospitality and friendliness of the city are traditional and Rochesterians are proud of the repu-

tation of their city and eager that it shall be maintained.

Industrially Rochester has made tremendous strides in its little more than a century of existence. It is the home of the gigantic plant of the Eastman Kodak Company, the Bausch & Lomb Optical Company and Taylor Instrument Company—all of them the largest of their kind in the world. There are 1500 other large industries whose products are known to the four

ester is to have missed something pleasantly and uniquely American—a city of beauty, prosperity, and charm—a city you will think of often with memories of shining cleanliness, of friendly people, of great industries and of high intellectual accomplishments—a city that is truly homelike.

YOU'RE WELCOME!
Plan Now to Attend This Tenth Annual Convention in Rochester Next August!



Air View of Rochester with Lake Ontario in the Background.

corners of the earth and whose presence make Rochester a leading Industrial center.

Rochester is the home of the University of Rochester, the fifth University in the country in size of endowment. The university occupies two campuses—the men's college on a new site with a frontage on the Genesee River, and the women's college on the old, ivy-clad campus formerly occupied by both men and women. The Eastman School of Music occupies a building of its own, joined to the Eastman Theater, and is known and respected throughout the world. Mechanics Institute, an excellent school of manual training, the new and stately buildings of the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, the Rochester Dental Dispensary, which was the first of a number founded by the late George Eastman in various cities of the world, St. Bernard's Catholic Seminary—all are of interest to the visitor to Rochester.

Possibilities of entertainment are limitless—Rochester supports its own symphonic orchestra, it is one of the five cities visited annually by the Metropolitan Opera Company, the Auditorium Theater brings the best plays to the city—often with the original casts, numerous fine motion picture theatres, five huge parks, and many small ones, excellent golf courses, these and many others too numerous to mention are at the service of the convention delegate.

Not to have known and loved Roch-

A LETTER FROM THE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN

With all this Glorious Christmas Spirit in the air, we cannot help but quicken our pace and become enthused.

The next big event for our Manx people will be the N.A.M.A. Convention in Rochester.

We in Rochester have already started to formulate plans for the big event. Chairmen have been appointed and committees are being selected. All are working together to make this Convention a banner one.

By next August, all roads will lead to Rochester where a gala time will be awaiting your arrival. You just can't afford to be the missing link. For your friends will all be here.

Rochester Manx Society,
Alice Garrett, Pres.

OLD MANX CHRISTMAS

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wished us by friend and fellow countryman. And so, in the words of that old, well-known and typically Manx greeting, let us extend to every Manx man and woman, wherever they may be, the best wishes we know how to convey:

"A merry Christmas, and a very good year to you;
Luck and health to the whole household,
Life, pleasantness and sprightliness to you together,
Peace and love between men and women;
Goods and riches, stock and store,
Plenty of potatoes and herring enough;
Bread and cheese, butter and beef."

Contributed by Historical Committee of the N.A.M.A.



Christmas Greetings

NEBRASKA

The members of the Nebraska Manx Association take great pleasure in availing themselves of the opportunity, given by the Bulletin, to wish Manx folks everywhere a very Happy Christmas and a New Year of Health and Happiness.

Sincerely,
R. B. Crellin, Ewing, Pres.
T. D. Clark, Exeter, Vice Pres.
Mrs. J. W. Morris, Lincoln,
Secy. & Treas.



SAN FRANCISCO

Each year memory travels farther back into the past to bring old friends and customs nearer, and it is with pleasure that the members of San Francisco Manx Society recall old faces and scenes of childhood days, and to wish those "far-off" children who are now grown up and scattered to the four corners of the earth, Health, Wealth and Happiness, and a Merry, Merry Christmas, and Joy untold throughout the Coming Year.

W. D. Callow, President
Fred Callow, Vice Pres.
Mrs. Ivor Stokes, Treas.
Mrs. Essie Quayle, Hon. Secy.



ROCHESTER

Once again the Christmas Season is with us, the season which stirs within us the joy of giving and remembering old friends and new both near and far.

To all Manx friends and kinfolk, may I extend a Merry Christmas and a wish for a most glorious New Year. May it bring Health and Wealth and plenty of Good Cheer to all.

Alice Garrett, President
Wm. K. Christian, V. P.
Dan Christian, Secy. & Treas.

LOS ANGELES

"There is a friendly feeling here,— a something that I have never experienced elsewhere in the world," said a new member in our society last week. Is it any wonder that Manx Societies realizing this, steadfastly carry on so that there may be a Manx Gathering Place for each Manxman to be his natural self and for him to mingle with his fellow men who have in common many friends, fond experiences, favorite spots, and interesting Manx events to anticipate.

Since the Bulletin is the literary Manx Gathering Place for all Manx in North America as well as throughout the world, I wish you much enjoyment as you read this Christmas issue, seeing names of old friends, reading again of old customs, and thrilling with the vastness of the "Manx spread".

The Los Angeles Max Society wishes the readers of the Bulletin a very merry Christmas and much happiness and prosperity throughout the coming year.

Mr. Robert Gregg, President
Mrs. Oscar Ward, Secretary.



BISBEE, ARIZONA

The Bisbee Manx Society, through the medium of the Bulletin, extend the Season's Greetings to all Manx people wherever they may be, and hope the coming year will draw everyone of us closer together, and that membership in the N.A.M.A. will reach the desired goal of one thousand members. May God bless you all with A Merry Christmast and A Prosperous New Year.

Arnold Corrin, Secy.



LADIES' AUXILIARY TO N.A.M.A.

Greetings and the best of good wishes for this Holiday Season to our friends everywhere. May the New Year hold an abundance of Health, Wealth and Happiness for you.

Alice Garrett,
Sec. Ladies' Auxiliary to N.A.M.A.
359 Hayward Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

DETROIT-WINDSOR MANX SOCIETY

It is the wish of every member of the Detroit-Windsor Manx Society that all Manx folk in all parts of the world will find good cheer and good tidings at this Yuletide season. May your New Year be most happy and successful. We join in the wish that "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men", will be remembered at this time when unrest and strife exists in parts of the world.

Most Sincerely,

Arthur W. Stephens, President
Richard A. Cock, Secretary,
92 Walnut Street,
River Rouge, Michigan.



NORTHEASTERN OHIO

The members of the Northeastern Ohio Manx Society extend to Manxmen and their families everywhere the most cordial greetings for Christmas and every wish for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

George W. Smith, President
John H. Harrison, Vice Pres.
Kenneth Quine, Secy.-Treas.



N.A.M.A. BREAKFAST CLUB

The members of the N.A.M.A. Breakfast Club send to Manx people the world over, sincere and heartfelt greetings for A Very Merry Christmas, and a Year full of Happiness, Good Health and Good Luck.

It is Christmas in the mansion,
Yule-log fires and silken frocks;
It is Christmas in the cottage,
Mother's filling little socks.

It is Christmas on the highway,
In the thronging, busy mart;
But the dearest, truest Christmas
Is the Christmas in the heart.

Florence Quine Crellin, Sec.



from Manx Societies



MONA'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOC. CLEVELAND

At this time, when national interests are in conflict in so many parts of the world, it is fortunate that the aspiration of the Manx people is to build an empire in the realm of the spirit, where it cannot be circumscribed. With a desire to co-operate in that purpose, the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society of Cleveland, through the medium of the North American Manx Association Bulletin, desires to extend to Manx people everywhere throughout the world its sincere best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Harrison M. Crellin, President.



THE CLEVELAND JUNIOR MANX SOCIETY

We are happy to have the privilege of wishing through the medium of the Bulletin, our heartiest wishes for a very merry Christmas time and a happy and prosperous New Year to Manx folks everywhere.

It is our sincere wish that 1937 will be a successful year in the history of the N.A.M.A. and all its members.

Bob Harper, President

Josephine Sharp, Secretary,
9606 Talbot Road.



LADIES' AUXILIARY MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND, OHIO

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society extend sincere Season's Greetings to all Manx friends here and abroad. We greatly appreciate the co-operation given us by our many friends. We are very happy in our sewing meetings and feel that every stitch is one of love and friendship.

Mrs. Fred Gorry, President

Amy C. Quayle, Secretary.

TORONTO

The Toronto Manx Society extend to all Manx friends at home and abroad, Greetings, and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

J. G. Downward, Secy.



MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

The Officers and members of the Mona's Relief Society extend to all Manx Societies and Manx people at Home or abroad Heartiest Greetings, and sincerely hope the New Year may be a Happy and Prosperous one for all. May contentment, joy and peace be yours for 1937 and all the years to come.

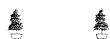
Thomas Keig, President.



EDMONTON

The Edmonton Manx Society sends its warmest greetings to the North American Manx Association, all Manx Societies and Manx people throughout the world, and wishes them the old, old wish—"A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year".

W. S. Cleator, President
Arthur Teare, Secretary.



WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Manx Society send Greetings and best wishes to all Manx People and Manx Societies on the North American Continent.

We appreciate being able to do this through the columns of the Bulletin, and take this opportunity of wishing the N.A.M.A. success in 1937 and an increase in membership that will show interest in the work which is being carried on.

Jas. Y. Mann, President
Robert Qualtrough, Sec.

BUFFALO

The Buffalo Manx Society extends to all Manx people throughout the world Heartiest Christmas Greetings and the Happiest and Most Prosperous New Year to all. To the N.A.M.A. and Breakfast Club, may 1937 be the banner year of their existence. Here's hoping you will all strive to be in Rochester next August, when we lift our voices to sing "Ellan Vannin".

Sidney W. Corkish, Pres.
Betty Caine, Secretary.

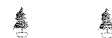


VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx Society wish to extend to our North American Manx, and also our Manx folk abroad, heartiest greetings, and to wish them every prosperity for the New Year.

The Vancouver Manx Society hold their annual banquet and ball January 1, 1937, and extend a hearty invitation to any Manx folk who may perchance be visiting our city during the festive season.

James C. Hornall, Corres. Secy.
2294 Napier Street.



CHICAGO

The Officers and members of the Chicago Manx Society wish the members of the North American Manx Association, the different Manx Societies of North America, and the Manx people of Canada and the United States the Season's Greetings. May 1937 bring to us all a greater opportunity for service!

As Manx men and women, let us work charitably and cheerfully together to make the coming Christmas Merry, and the New Year a Happy one.

W. J. Stevenson, President
Fred Boyde, Secretary,
5044 Superior Street.



THE NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION

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Bishop Quayle Memorial

The development of the plan to establish at Baker University, Baldwin City, Kansas, a memorial to honor our distinguished Manx author and preacher, Bishop William Alfred Quayle, now assumes definite form with the organization of the Committee as follows:

Chairman—	Thomas C. Kelly, Hinsdale, Ill.
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Secretary—	Rev. Joseph Partridge, Forrest, Ill.
Treasurer—	Dr. J. J. Moore, Chicago, Ill.
Judge Alva Corlett,	Cleveland, O.
Ex-officio—	Pres. Wm. D. Moore, Montreal, Canada.

Left a half orphan very early in life, William Alfred Quayle was at fourteen years of age, enrolled at this pioneer Methodist College in a small Kansas town. Previously he had endeavored to enter two other schools for higher learning but was for some reason unable to gain entrance. Approaching the little village of Baldwin City, from his viewpoint atop a small hill he looked down upon the one building which, though still uncompleted, comprised Baker University. In deep gratitude for the opportunity which he was to have to further his education, he uncovered his head and thanked God. At thirty years of age he was Vice President of this same school—later to become its President.

Important pastorates in the leading Methodist Episcopal Churches in Kansas City, Indianapolis and Chicago preceded his election to the high office of Bishop.

His reputation as a great preacher was equalled possibly by his ability as an author and lecturer. He was considered one of the greatest American authorities on Shakespeare and his lectures on the plays of this great author were masterpieces. A large number of poems and works of prose came from his pen.

As an orphaned boy, William Alfred Quayle was too poor to buy books—an almanac was his first book and the Bible his second possession. During

DO YOU KNOW—

That Knockaloe Estate at Patrick, near Peel is now owned and operated by the Isle of Man Board of Agriculture as an experimental farm? During the war, as is well known, it was used as a German Alien Camp, and was made famous by Hall Caine's novel, "The Woman of Knockaloe".

That when King Henry IV granted the Isle of Man to the Stanley family in 1413, the only condition attached was that at every Coronation, the Stanleys should present the British monarch with a brace of falcons? For this reason the Calf Island came to be used as a breeding place for these birds—highly prized in the sporting world of those ancient days.

That by an old law which remains in effect, the Isle of Man Government still maintains two admirals—the Admiral and Vice-Admiral of the Herring Fleet! The Admiral receives five pounds a year, the Vice-Admiral three pounds. In the days when fishing was the Island's mainstay, these were offices of great importance; even today the Admiral's authority is supreme when the fishing fleet is at sea.

That the Rolls Office in Douglas (the office of the High Court) contains thousands of historical documents, including records of Tynwald Court proceedings, dating as far back as the year 1417? The office itself originally was maintained at Castle Rushen, and was instituted in the 14th century.

INFORMATION WANTED

It will be appreciated if anyone knowing of the whereabouts of Mrs. Frances Gill, formerly of Cleveland and Braddan, will communicate with the Corresponding Secretary.

his lifetime he accumulated one of the finest collections of Bibles in the world and this he bequeathed to Baker University.

Bishop Quayle's mother died soon after he was born while the family were en route in an old prairie schooner across the Missouri-Kansas plains to seek their fortune in the West. This mother was buried in a simple grave on the great prairies and it was a lifetime regret of this brilliant son that he was unable to locate the spot.

The life of this famous son of a simple Manx farmer, and the Manx sweetheart of his youth, should be an inspiration to every man and woman with a drop of Manx blood in their veins. William Alfred Quayle was an outstanding son of the Manx race the world over and his memory should be revered and honored, most of all by people of his own race.

It is proposed to establish at Baker University a fitting memorial, the nature of which will be determined by the amount contributed. Contributions may be sent to any member of the Committee or to Dr. J. J. Moore, Treasurer, at 55 East Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois.

THE COOISH CORNER

by "Phynnoderee"

General Evangeline Booth has given a colossal assignment to Lt. Col. William Quirk—"The World for God Campaign".

These Los Angeles Manx the transplanted remain truly Manx. They come in crowds to a meeting—immediately get into a huddle and then they are off—"Did you see so-and-so"—"Now who is this new one"—"Such a one is here"—"And that one". Skeetin' we call it.

Hope Fred Boyd likes the new President. We mean F. D. R.

Fred H. Caley, past secretary of Cleveland Auto Club has taken up his abode in California. We heard he visited the Los Angeles Society meeting. We are a clannish lot and no mistake.

Glad to hear Tom Kelly's daughter is continuing to improve.

"Ginger", a gorgeous Red Tabby Manx Male Cat, is the newest importation from Denmark. He belongs to the Misses Carlson, Glen Ellyn, Ill., who operate an All Manx Cattery.

"Deemster of Man" is the new prize winning pug belonging to the Killip Kennels in Kalifornia.

While Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Love, Kansas City, were touring Canada last August they decided to spend a day in Winnipeg. At the Marlborough Mr. Love "thought" he saw Bob Costain, an old friend of the family. Later he discovered the hotel to be overrun with Manxmen. They stayed on to the end and had a grand time.

Garrett Cregeen Crebbin of Astoria, Long Island, son of Thomas Crebbin of Rochester, reports the birth of a son Dean Cregeen Crebbin!

Harry Kneale of Cleveland should capitalize on his pugilistic ability seeing that he so successfully routed two gunmen who tried to rob his store recently.

"We cover the earth." W. J. Bridson, Chief Engineer of S. S. Magician, mailed his wife's N.A.M.A. dues from Santa Cruz del Sur, Cuba.

Rev. T. Harry Kelly seems to be getting closer and closer to the Manx Capital of America. He has been transferred from Superior, Wisconsin, to Park Ridge, Illinois. Cleveland says, "Keep coming, Harry."

Mrs. Isabel Shimmin, of Pasadena, California, is still thinking and dreaming of the glorious time she had at Winnipeg. Bring California to Rochester, Isabel.

Contributions for this column, through your Corresponding Secretary, will be gratefully received by the "Phynnoderee".

ALL ABOARD FOR HOME!

The Athenia Sails April 30th

On the 30th of April next, the good ship "ATHENIA" will sail from Montreal on the Third Homecoming trip to our native Island.

"O land of my birth, it is Spring 'mid your mountains,

Faint tender green is o'er furrow and lea,

And spring here in exile has loosened the fountains,

But, Isle of my heart, all my soul yearns for thee".

No matter how broad the seas, how wide the land, how many the years that separate the Manxman from his Island home, when Springtime comes his thoughts turn to Ellan Vannin, with the longing described in these words from our beautiful Manx song "Home".

Memory brings back vividly the "feel" of Springtime in the Isle of Man—the scent of hawthorn in those narrow lanes running down to the sea, the fields carpeted with daisies, the burst of glory when gorse and heather clothe the hills with a blaze of color.

The fresh winds that blow over the headlands, the green twilight of the glens, the music of fairy waterfall and brook, the promise of the well-tilled fields, all speak of Spring—a Spring that friends and relatives over there can enjoy with you, for as yet the "Season" has not commenced and the native Manxman has leisure to see and appreciate his own beloved Isle—a pleasure he wants to share with us. They are planning great things for us over there on our arrival!

We all have carried away some vivid impression of the Isle of Man, some little incident or scene stamped on our memory. Perhaps it is the song of a lark high overhead on a bright day at the Point of Ayre. Perhaps it is a picture of the fishing fleet putting out to sea, below Peel Hill. Perhaps it is a climb to the top of South Barrule on a windy day; or perhaps the lights of Douglas in the early twilight, with the Bay shimmering like an opal under the quiet sky.

You want to renew these pictures, these impressions. So make up your mind that when April rolls around you will satisfy that longing for Home—that you will go and see the Island in all the promise and beauty of Spring.

There are thrills in store for you—when you see the hills of Ellan Vannin rising from the sea, and when you recognize the old familiar landmarks. There is the lifting of the heart when you see the well-known, well-loved faces which will greet you at the pier. And there is the thrill of visiting again the dear old haunts—"with loving feet to trace each hill and glen";

and there will still be a few late primroses lingering in the hedges to greet you!

So let's look forward to Spring! It will be May in the Island! ALL ABOARD FOR HOME!

PLANS FOR ENTERTAINING THE HOMECOMERS

Coronation of King George VI

When the "Athenia" sails from Montreal on April 30th next, it is probable that besides the happy party of Homecomers, she will also carry a group of Manx people "from Home", who hope to come out and pay us a visit, returning to the Island with the Homecomers! Such a group will be most heartily welcomed during their stay on this side the Atlantic.

The "Athenia" anchors in Douglas Bay at 4:00 P.M., Saturday, May 9th, and through the courtesy of the Harbour Commissioners and the Isle of Man Steam Packet Co., the luggage will be passed through the Customs and the passengers taken ashore with all possible speed. It is intended that the Island's official welcome shall be extended while the Homecomers are gathered on the Victoria Pier, and the Manx choirs will sing.

The Coronation takes place on Tuesday, May 12th. As hotel accommodations in London will be difficult to obtain, it is proposed that the party, augmented by as many Manx people as care to go, shall leave Liverpool by a night train, and proceed to a reserved stand. If possible, this stand will have a distinctive Manx character and be decorated by Manx banners. The return journey will be made by another night train, although some members of the party may wish to stay and see the sights of London. Complete information regarding the cost of this trip to London will be communicated to us later, and will be furnished upon request to those interested in making it.

The tentative program suggested for entertainment of the Homecomers in the Island is a very interesting one. Here are some of the events which our friends are planning for us:

Church services on Sunday, May 10th, at St. George's and at Rosemount Methodist Church, Douglas; Reception on Friday, May 15th by Mayor and Corporation of Douglas; open air service at Kirk Braddan on Whit Sunday, May 17th. Then during the following weeks, it is proposed to arrange a series of excursions, leaving each alternate day free so that each individual Homecomer may follow his

individual bent. One journey would be to the Castletown area, including King William's College and Castle Rushen, the antiquarian site at Ronaldsway and the magnificent rock formation at Scarlett. Another would be by Braddan Church and St. Trinian's to Tynwald Hill and Peel Castle, on to Dalby and the Niarbyl, returning in time to see the sunset descending on Peel Hill. Another trip would be to Laxey, Maughold Church, Ramsey, returning via Bride, Jurby, Sulby Glen, and over Spaerell. Yet another would be by Foxdale, South Barrule and the Slough to Port St. Mary and thence via the Chasms to Cregneish and the Mull Circle and into Port Erin.

Receptions by leaders in Church and State are also part of the intended program, and those two fine Manxmen who so thoroughly enjoyed the Winnipeg Convention are anxious to return in some way the hospitality there extended them!

This will give some idea of the splendid entertainment which our friends at home are planning for the Third Homecoming. Do not miss this opportunity of joining the happy party which will be so royally entertained.

Keep in mind also, that in taking this trip you have the opportunity of a lifetime, in being able, if you so desire, to go up to London with a Manx party to see the wonderful pageantry of the Coronation of King George VI.

Address all inquiries from United States to: Miss Claire M. Mylcraine, 10525 Baltic Road, Cleveland, Ohio. From Canada to: Mr. T. A. Moore, 1000 Ogilvy Avenue, Park Extension, Montreal, Quebec.

MANX PROVERBS

Ny nee yn riogymmyrkey guiy roish yn Ollick cha nymmyrkey e thunnag lurg yn Ollick.

"If the frost will bear a goose before Christmas, it will not bear a duck after Christmas".

Ollick fluigh, Rhuilick vea.

"Wet Christmas, rich churchyard".

Ta toyrtys daa-illey tra te currit lesh nual ghenal.

"A gift is two-fold when given with a smiling face".

Myr sloo yn cheshaght share yn aym. Myr smoo yn cheshaght s'raie yn chloie.

"The smaller the company, the bigger the share, The larger the company, the better the cheer".

ELLAN VANNIN

The Isle of Faery

By JOHN HENRY QUINE
(Continued from Oct. issue)

CHAPTER 5 The Goidels

In the Isle of Man, and this also holds true of Ireland, Scotland and the North of England, there have been found no traces of Paleolithic man—or the man of the Old Stone Age. This early race of hunters has left evidence in the shape of rude unpolished implements scattered through the south of England, particularly in the Thames valley, and also in the caves of S. W. Europe. At this time the Island was emerging from glacial conditions. Many centuries later, we have no means of telling exactly when, Neolithic herdsmen, or the men of the New Stone Age, settled in the British Isles, and in the Isle of Man their traces are very numerous, in the shape of beautifully polished flint implements and weapons, some of exceedingly fine workmanship, and the long barrows or mounds in which they buried their dead. These men had long (dolichocephalic) heads, and were of short stature, slight build and dark complexion, identical with the race that has always inhabited the basin of the Mediterranean, and on that account is known as the Mediterranean race. These men were in turn succeeded by men with round (brachycephalic) heads, who buried their dead in round barrows. Later, when the use of metals was spreading over Europe, came members of the Alpine race, also round-headed. Finally, about 600 or 500 B.C., we have the first influx of the Keltic tribes, in the shape of Goidels, the ancestors of the Irish, Highland Scotch and Manx. The second main division of the Keltic race, the Brythons, from whom Britain takes its name, came possibly a century or so later, and from them the Welsh, Cornish and Breton peoples are descended. The Goidels and the Brythons then, were the people who opposed both Julius Caesar, and afterwards Claudius, when the Roman eagles first appeared on the shores of Britain.

They, the Kelts, undoubtedly entered Britain from the mouths of the Rhine and the north of France, after traversing the entire length of Europe in their wanderings. It is believed by competent scholars that both the Greeks and the Romans had a large infusion of Keltic blood as part of their racial heritage. Just as the island of Malta, about 3000 B.C., was the centre of a magnificent Megalithic culture, so the Isle of Man, in an equally strategic position, was in pre-Roman days the secret focus of a highly advanced Keltic culture. The Romans, for some obscure reason, invariably denigrated the peoples whom they conquered, and made light of their civilization. As a result, even

to this day the silly legend persists that the ancient Britons were a race of painted savages! A walk through the British Museum will instantly dispel this belief. There can be seen a splendid collection of Keltic bronze weapons and implements, and gold jewellery that, according to experts, can not be excelled by any craftsman of the present day.

On account of lack of adequate funds, archeological research in the Isle of Man has proceeded very slowly, but it is doubtful whether, in the whole area of the British Isles, any more favorable spot could be found, in which to prosecute work that will throw a steady beam of light on the darkened pages of history that preceded the Roman era.

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Jane Moore, mother of Dr. J. J. Moore, Past President of the N.A. M.A., passed away at her home in Anaconda, Montana, on December 7th, at the age of seventy-nine.

A prominent member of the North-eastern Ohio Manx Society, Miss Margaret Murray, seventy-nine, of Painesville, Ohio, died at her home there on September 26th. A memorial service, in her honor, was held in Painesville on October 16th.

The death of Mrs. Gertrude (Joughin) Tuttle, caused by an automobile accident in the Northern part of California recently, stunned the Los Angeles Manx Society by its suddenness. She was an active member in that Society and was one of those who had entertained the organization in her home in its early history.

Dr. A. H. Gill, sixty-three, practicing physician in Cleveland for thirty-five years, and former head of the City Hospital, passed away suddenly on December 4th. Graduated from Western Reserve University in 1901, Dr. Gill was associated with Dr. George W. Cible after leaving City Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Florence Gill; two sons, Philip A. and Robert A.; a daughter, Eileen G. Porter; a brother, Walter P., and a sister, Mrs. Mona Collins.

Mrs. Thomas Kelly (nec Louise Kneale) of Toledo, passed away recently. Mrs. Kelly was born in Douglas, Isle of Man, and was always interested in the affairs of the N.A.M.A.

Mrs. Marian Clark Stevenson, fifty-seven, lifelong resident of Lyndhurst (near Cleveland) passed away suddenly on November 19th. She was an interested member of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland, and will be greatly missed by her many friends.

Miss Margaret Isabella Kelly, sister of Mr. W. A. Kelly, Cleveland, died at her home, Fairy Cottage, Peel, Isle of Man, November 4th. Interment was in Peel Cemetery.

Mrs. Brew, 1109 Sherburn Street, Winnipeg, died in November after a long illness. Mrs. Brew was an esteemed member of the Winnipeg Manx Society and was ill at the time of the recent Convention in that city.

Mr. Thomas A. Christian, County Assessor in Pueblo County, Colorado, died suddenly at his home November 9th. On November 2nd, he slipped on an icy sidewalk, striking his head, which caused his death. Mr. Christian was born in Peel, Isle of Man, and came to the United States when quite young. He had been a resident of Cleveland for many years and spent the last twenty years of his life in Pueblo. He was very active in civic and musical life in that city. Mr. Christian is survived by his wife, Mrs. Faye J. Christian and a daughter, Catherine, both of Pueblo; also by his mother, Mrs. Catherine Christian; a sister, Evelyn M., and three brothers, Rev. Wm. H., John E., and J. Percy, all of Cleveland, Ohio.

Lawrence G. Collister, former Ohio State Senator and former Treasurer of Cuyahoga County, succumbed to a heart attack on October 26th at his home in Parma, Ohio. He was born at Martins Ferry, Ohio, of Manx parentage. Mr. Collister was a member of the State Senate from 1922 to 1928, one of the youngest Senators in the State's history. His son, Cameron; his mother, Mrs. Eleanor Gill Collister; a brother, William, and three sisters, Mrs. Lillian C. McCue, Mrs. Adelaide E. Price and Miss Victoria L. Collister, survive him.

To the families, relatives and friends of the above, may we extend our deepest sympathy.

WINNIPEG CONVENTION SOUVENIR BOOKS

Mr. James Y. Mann, General Chairman of the Winnipeg Convention Committee, reports that they have a number of Souvenir Books on hand, which they will gladly send out upon receipt of requests. If you didn't get your book, or would like an additional copy for some friend, just drop Mr. Mann a line. His address is 389 Banning Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

THE LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE N.A.M.A.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A. M.A. will hold a card party at George Sharer, Inc., 2436 Prospect Avenue, Cleveland, on Saturday evening, January 16th, 1937.

Everyone is welcome. There will be a prize for every table and refreshments will be served. Tickets are twenty-five cents.

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