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

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WINNIPEG IS PREPARING - ARE YOU?

Tentative Program Arranged. A Good Time Assured.

HISTORICAL

Winnipeg—situated at the junction of the Red and Assiniboine Rivers, is the largest city in Central Canada, and one of the four metropolitan cities of the Dominion. It is the geographical centre of the North American continent and the gateway to a vast recreation and scenic territory of sunshine and health. Some sixty years ago, the small frontier settlement of Fort Garry with its 1,870 inhabitants, was incorporated as a city and the name changed to Winnipeg.

The history of Winnipeg and the Province of Manitoba, of which it is the capital, is interesting. About 1735, that intrepid French-Canadian explorer, Pierre de La Verandrye, in seeking a "North-West Passage," journeyed from Quebec to Lake Winnipeg and the Red River, establishing numerous trading posts enroute. La Verandrye was, therefore, the first white man, of whom there is an authentic record, to visit the site where Winnipeg now stands. In later years, he was followed by officials of the Hudson's Bay Company, who came down from the north by way of Hudson Bay, the Nelson River and Lake Winnipeg. Lord Selkirk, a Scottish nobleman, followed in August, 1812, and colonized a considerable section of the country lying along the Red River.

It has the largest stock yards within the British Empire—numerous flour and grist mills—large packing plants, steel and iron works—breweries and bakeries, and many other industries engaged in the manufacture of innumerable products.

REGISTRATION

Mr. George Killey who is handling Convention Registration, wishes to call attention to his System of Installment Plan. Why not send in fees ahead of time, thus helping along our work in this direction? Mail to George Killey, 30 Martin Ave., Elmwood, Winnipeg.

All hotel reservations should be made through MRS. R. W. KILLEY, 30 Martin Ave., Elmwood, Winnipeg.

TENTATIVE CONVENTION

PROGRAM

Tuesday, August 4th.

The Reception, Registration and Hotel Reservation Committees will be present at the Marlborough Hotel all day to welcome you.

Registration

The adult registration fee for the entire convention has been set at \$7.00, Juniors \$4.00.

8:00 p.m.—Winnipeg Night. Get together meeting. Good program arranged—entertainment, short talks and community singing. Chairman, Mr. J. Y. Mann. Address by Mr. R. H. Corkill, Vice President, Detroit.

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Wednesday, August 5th

9:30 a.m.—Convention officially opens. Business Session.

1:00 p.m.—Luncheon at Marlborough Hotel.

2:30 p.m.—Shopping Tour.

7:30 p.m.—Exhibition and Rodeo.

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Thursday, August 6th

9:30 a.m.—Business Session.

2:30 p.m.—Sightseeing tour.

7:00 p.m.—Annual N.A.M.A. Banquet at Marlborough Hotel.

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Friday, August 7th

9:30 a.m.—Business Session.

Election of Officers.

1:00 p.m.—Luncheon at Marlborough Hotel.

8:30 p.m.—Masquerade Dance at the Marlborough Hotel.

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Saturday, August 8th

2:30 p.m.—Annual picnic of the Winnipeg Manx Society at Kildonan Park. All convention guests are invited.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Owing to the illness of the Chairman of this Committee, Mrs. Thomas Quirk, the work has been kindly taken over by Mr. Frank Johnson, Broadway Ave., Winnipeg, to whom all correspondence should be directed.

FRANK JOHNSON, Chairman.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The past winter season has been a very busy one for the ladies, and all praise is due them for their hard work and untiring efforts to raise funds. Around about \$150.00 has been accumulated from the popular events they arranged.

We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of the kind cooperation of these ladies.

Mrs. T. Corkan, Mrs. J. Y. Mann, Mrs. Kneale, Mrs. J. Loney, Mrs. T. Quirk, Mrs. W. C. Killey, Mrs. W. Quayle, Mrs. R. Martin, Mrs. F. Neuls, Mrs. W. Qualtrough, Misses L. and F. Hewitt, Mrs. R. W. Killey, Mrs. J. Fick, Mrs. T. Middleton, Mrs. E. Jacklin, Mrs. G. Cregeen, Mrs. R. Snaipe, Mrs. Walker.

In addition the following ladies: Mrs. E. Jacklin, Mrs. G. Cregeen, Mrs. R. Snaipe, Mrs. R. Martin and Mrs. Walker are sponsoring a combined Whist Drive and Dance to take place at the Cooper Institute Saturday, May 30th. They are to be aided in their efforts by the Bachelor members of the Society.

THOS. CORKAN, Chairman.

SOUVENIR BOOK COMMITTEE

This committee reports great progress in all branches of this publication and take this opportunity to ask all those who wish to insert their names in the Patrons' List or contribute other advertising to forward same to the address below on or before June 30th. This will insure publication, and make the work easier for those in charge.

WILLIAM QUAYLE, Chairman.
113 Carman Avenue, Winnipeg.

The North American Manx Association OFFICERS 1935-1936

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From Our President

There is an old saying "Time and Tide wait for no Man."

It is almost ten months now, since we held our wonderful Convention in Cleveland and our faces are turned towards Winnipeg where, in about two month's time, we will celebrate our Ninth International Manx Convention.

In talking to a Manx friend in Montreal recently, he remarked what courage the Winnipeg Manx Society had to undertake a Convention in the very heart of Canada, under present economic conditions, but, after all, where can one find any more courageous nation in the world than our little Manx nation? Did we hesitate in our courage in 1914, in the Great War? Statistics prove that, pro rata of population, Manxland sent and sacrificed more men in the War than any other nation.

Talking of courage, my mind goes back to the year 1826, when three Manx families undertook the courageous step of emigrating to New York and thence by way of the Erie Canal and Lake Erie, settled on the shores of that wonderful lake and made their home in the City of Cleveland.

If we want a glowing example of Manx courage, we have only to think of the Kellys, the Teares and the Kneens, who were the first three families to emigrate from the Island to the Northern Continent of America away back in 1826.

Their courage still lives and is carried on by our dear Manx Folk in Winnipeg. If, ten years ago, anyone had suggested that the Manx people would combine and hold a Convention in Winnipeg, they would have been laughed at, but today, through the medium of the North American Manx Association, the Winnipeg Manx Society is sponsoring a Convention which we are confident, will be of as high a standard as the past eight Conventions which have been held.

The Winnipeg Convention Committees, under the able Chairmanship of Past President Jim Mann, have worked strenuously for the past ten months, in the interests of their Convention and, as your President for this year, I appeal to all my fellow Manxwomen and Manxmen residing in the Northern Continent of America

to show their appreciation by arranging their holidays to take in the Winnipeg Convention, where everyone can be assured of a truly happy Manx gathering.

There are hundreds of Manx people who can afford both the time and money to visit Winnipeg in August and to join with their fellow countrymen in celebrating our Ninth International Manx Convention. It is to these that I appeal from the bottom of my heart. Give your whole-hearted support to the Winnipeg Manx Society by your attendance, and in thus doing, you are assisting in making the North American Manx Association a better and a bigger Association than it has ever been.

We are desirous of expanding, but the fabric of such an expansion must consist of Manxmen and Manxwomen who are desirous, by evidences of love and friendship, to stand together within the family circle of the North American Manx Association, and who are prepared at all times to assist fellow Manxmen in cases of adversity or need.

I am proud to be a Manxman! I am proud and honoured to have this opportunity of appealing to my fellow countrymen in the interests of the Ninth International Manx Convention in Winnipeg! I am proud to belong to the fellowship of Manx people, who are endeavoring "to preserve whatever is left to us of ancient heritage," by affiliating themselves with the North American Manx Association!

W. D. MOORE, President.

A MANX SOCIETY NEAR YOU!

Do you belong to the Manx Society located near you? There is one in nearly every community. Look in the following list for the Society in your vicinity—the Secretary's name and address also being given for your convenience in joining or requesting information:

AKRON MANX SOCIETY

Mrs. Emma Housel,
32 Willard St., Akron, Ohio.

BISBEE MANX SOCIETY

Mr. Arnold Corrin,
Box No. 3332, Lowell, Ariz.

CHICAGO MANX SOCIETY

Mr. Fred Boyde,
5044 W. Superior St., Chicago, Ill.

MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY

Miss Lucille Gorry,
14001 Beaumont Ave., E. Cleveland, Ohio.

LADIES AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY.

Miss Amy C. Quayle,
1880 Chapman Ave., E. Cleveland, Ohio.

MONA'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY

Mr. Stephen H. Quinney,
5261 Paine Ave., Maple Heights, Ohio.

BUFFALO MANX SOCIETY,

Miss Betty Caine,
354 Minnesota Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

CLEVELAND JUNIOR MANX SOCIETY,

Miss Elinor Cain,
488 E. 126th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

DETROIT-WINDSOR MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. Richard Cock,
92 Walnut Street, River Rouge, Mich.

EDMONTON MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. Arthur Teare,
16563 53rd St., Edmonton, Alberta.

GALVA MANX SOCIETY,

Mrs. J. T. Farragut,
212 Center St., Galva, Ill.

GREATER NEW YORK MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. James C. Tyson,
2153 24th Street, Astoria, L. I., N. Y.

HAMILTON MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. Edgar Kewley, Jr.,
420 Herkimer St., Hamilton, Ont.

LOS ANGELES MANX SOCIETY,

Mrs. Oscar Ward,
R. R. No. 1, Box No. 275, Vista, Calif.

MONTREAL MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. W. D. Moore, (no Secy.)
324 Monmouth Ave., Mt. Royal, Quebec.

NEBRASKA MANX SOCIETY,

Mrs. J. W. Morris,
Tecumseh, Nebraska.

NORTHEASTERN OHIO MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. Kenneth Quine,
R. F. D., Painesville, Ohio.

PEORIA MANX SOCIETY,

Miss Gladys Carter,
522 Newland Street, Peoria, Ill.

ROCHESTER MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. Dan Christian,
31 Nellis Park, Rochester, N. Y.

SAN FRANCISCO MANX SOCIETY,

Mrs. Essie Quayle,
1537 20th Ave., San Francisco, Calif.

SEATTLE MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. N. Earl Brown,
5462 Baker Ave., Seattle, Wash.

TORONTO MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. J. G. Downward,
60 Marchmount Rd., Toronto, Ontario.

VANCOUVER MANX SOCIETY,

Mrs. T. Beck,
65 W. 18th Ave., Vancouver, B. C.

WINNIPEG MANX SOCIETY,

Mr. Robert Qualltrough,
Warwick Apts., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

LADIES' AUXILIARY, N.A.M.A.

Miss Ada Christian,
2708 Berkshire Road, Cleveland Hts., O.

The North American Manx Association can prosper only if each of us takes a personal responsibility in building our local organization. These units, after all, are the life of the N.A.M.A.! If there is no Society in your locality—why not get a group of Manx friends together and organize?

Reports from all units indicate they are having wonderful times at their local meetings. You are missing a lot if you do not have a membership in one of these groups. Do not delay! WRITE FOR INFORMATION TODAY!

N.A.M.A. BREAKFAST CLUB

Will all members who have not returned stubs from the prize distribution books mailed out in April, please try to send them to me soon. And don't forget, 1936 dues are now payable and will be gladly received by Margaret Kennish, Secretary, 3353 West 95th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONS

1. How many sheadings are there in the Isle of Man?
2. Name them.
3. How many parishes?
4. What parish does not touch the sea?
5. When was T. E. Brown born?
6. When was Illiam Dhone executed?
7. Where is salt found on the Island?
8. What is Jough?
9. How many fish in a mease?
10. What is a kishan?

(Answers appear on page 6)

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

TORONTO

An excellent entertainment was given by the Junior Members of the Toronto Manx Society on May 5th. The program consisted of solos, recitations and dances, and, as a finale, three choruses were sung, the children afterwards being rewarded with candies. About eighty members and their friends were present, and after refreshments had been served, dancing was the order for the next hour.

The President, Mr. Williamson, then made a happy speech to the five members who were leaving Toronto for a "sight home" on May 8th. They are Mrs. R. Fick, Misses Eunice and Leslie Fick, Mrs. Edith Taubman and Miss Mona Kelly. The Toronto Secretary, Mr. J. G. Downward, who submitted this interesting report, says they are all looking forward to a "cooish" with these ladies on their return in the fall.

NEBRASKA

We take pleasure in reprinting a part of a recent communication received from Mr. R. B. Crellin, President of the Nebraska Manx Society, and giving a brief history of that organization:

"The Nebraska Manx Association was formed at Lincoln, Nebraska, in 1934, largely thru the interest shown by Mr. C. L. Kelly, of Nebraska City, who was elected our first president, and Mrs. J. W. Morris, of Tecumseh, our present Secretary. The second annual meeting of the Nebraska Manx Society was held at Nebraska City last June with an increased interest and attendance, and we are now working on a program for the 1936 meeting, but have not as yet decided in just what part of the state we will meet. There is a Manx settlement near Jefferson, Iowa, across the Missouri river from Nebraska, and in all probability, we will meet close to the river, so that our Iowa Manx friends may also meet with us.

"We planned a winter meeting for the past winter, but owing to sickness and blizzards, we were forced to cancel it. However, we hope the 1936 summer meeting will be the biggest yet, and we are endeavoring to make our programs more interesting each year.

"This year, as usual, we shall issue our Nebraska Manxman in time to advertise our summer meeting. It will be replete with photos and lore from the Island, as well as carrying all the gossip from our State Group."

Good luck with your meeting, Mr. Crellin, and it is to be hoped that everyone located within a reasonable distance will attend your meeting this summer. May we suggest that anyone interested in knowing about this meeting communicate with Mr. R. B. Crellin, Ewing, Nebraska, or with Mrs. J. W. Morris, Tecumseh, Nebraska.

ROCHESTER

Mr. Dan Christian, Secretary of the Rochester Manx Society reports that they are still active and that he, along with the Regional Director, Miss Alice Garrett will send us news of their activities, which we may publish in the next issue.

BUFFALO

Miss Betty Caine, Secretary of the Buffalo Manx Society, tells us that they held a dinner and entertainment on April 13th, with an attendance of about 75 members and friends. This organization has had a very successful year and is "pulling" 100% for the Winnipeg Convention and N.A. M.A. membership.

GREATER NEW YORK

One of the newer Manx organizations is the Greater New York Society. Mr. James C. Tyson, of Astoria, L. I. reports:

"On Saturday, May 16th, we, along with several others of the local Manx, have been down at the boat seeing four other Manx people off for a visit to the 'old sod'. The four were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Karran, Miss Waterson and Miss Gell.

"Just one week ago, all the Manx who could avail themselves of the opportunity made their way out to Smithtown at the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Karran. Those who did not actually know of the famous hospitality of the Karrans must at least have suspected it, for we had the biggest gathering of Manx on that occasion that we have yet had—twenty six—and the two or three present, who were not of Manx blood, were adopted by the usual course of law.

"There was food in plenty, cards, cooishes and never-to-be-forgotten rides over tortuous roads with that cowboy of the wheel—the host himself!

"Being the unfortunate possessor of an Anglicized name, I often feel the symptoms of an inferiority complex when I'm around the Manx. An uncomfortable feeling of being under suspicion—not of the chosen—although I can settle that when I have the opportunity, and it is fine to be able to break into print and assert my Manx claims. But, in a company like that of last Saturday, at first glance, aw, I'm done out of it. Look them over—the Karrans, Curpheys, Watersons, Cubbons, Gells, Christians and Teares.

"It was a lovely warm day and a most enjoyable gathering, for which we all feel most grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Karran. Let's hope they have a great time on their visit to Ellan Vannin, and return in the best of health."

These Greater New York people deserve a lot of credit for building up their organization in a vicinity such as that in which they live, where there are innumerable interests and all types of entertainment to attract their people in other directions. Keep up the good work—we are all "pulling" for you and with you!

LOS ANGELES

"Manx Night" at the Los Angeles Manx Society, held in April, was a special occasion arranged to greet Mr. Cecil Teare, Editor of the "Ramsey Courier" and Mrs. Teare. The program, which was a take-off on a broadcast over Station M A N X, with Mr. Edward Storey as announcer presenting a program for the "Ramsey Courier" was arranged by Mr. John Bain and Mr. Richard Pilkington. The chief feature was a musical extravaganza featuring seven chorus girls impersonated by male members of the Los Angeles Society. Other items included readings, tap dancing, a dramatic sketch, piano solos and singing.

An unusual attraction was a collection of photographs taken in the Isle of Man, and a variety of Manx curios, among which Mrs. Edwin Killip's fine Manx cat won much attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Teare naturally were the guests of honor. Many of the members of the Society came from long distances to greet them.

Mrs. Mary Caine Ward, Secretary of the Los Angeles Society, says the gathering was a huge success, and that it was a real privilege to attend such a meeting.

BISBEE, ARIZONA

Reports of recent meetings of the Bisbee Manx Society have been received from the Secretary, Mr. Arnold Corrin. This is a very active and enthusiastic organization, and they are doing all they can to assist the Winnipeg Convention Committee, besides having some lively and enjoyable times at their own meetings.

Possibly their President, Mrs. Cain, is responsible for at least some of their enthusiasm, because, Mr. Corrin's minutes invariably read that the meetings were "called to order at eight o'clock sharp."

SEATTLE, WASH.

Thru their Secretary, Mr. N. Earl Brown, the Seattle Manx Society has reported some lively and interesting meetings this year. They meet on the last Saturday of each month in the South Park Field House in Seattle.

At their February meeting, Mrs. Richard Kelly read from her clever jottings of her recent trip to the Isle of Man. A musical program and the usual lunch completed the evening.

Their next meeting was called a "March Hare's Jamboree," with jolly games and prizes for the best guessers and the worst dressers. This affair was so successful that they plan repetitions at intervals.

Business seemed to be the order for their April meeting and various picnics and out-of-door meetings were planned for the summer.

DETROIT-WINDSOR

The eighty-fourth birthday of Mr. Edward Kenna, Honorary President of the Detroit-Windsor Manx Society, was celebrated by that organization on the evening of April 8th in St. Andrews Society Hall, Detroit.

The entertainment, which was in the form of a Major Bowes' Amateur Hour, was provided by the Bachelors' Club, who also presented Mr. Kenna with the book, "Pitcairn Island," a sequel to "Mutiny on The Bounty."

We all wish you many more such happy birthdays, Mr. Kenna!

EDMONTON

The Edmonton Manx Society plans its third annual picnic for Dominion Day at Riverside Park, and extends a cordial invitation to all Manx to attend this gathering.

The meetings of this group are held the fourth Friday in each month, the April meeting being at the home of the President, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Corkan.

CLEVELAND

At the May meeting of the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland, the Ladies Auxiliary to that organization provided a very novel type of entertainment in the form of a "mock wedding," about twenty ladies participating. Mrs. Mona Bertsch was the blushing bride, Mrs. Flo Gorry the bashful groom and Miss Chrissie Quayle the marrying parson.

SAN FRANCISCO

Through their Secretary, Mrs. Essie Quayle, the San Francisco Society reports a most enjoyable May meeting. They held their summer picnic on May 24th at Neptune Beach, Alameda, before the departure of their former President and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kermodé, for a visit "home."

CLEVELAND JUNIOR MANX SOCIETY

On Friday evening, May 1st, the Cleveland Junior Manx Society presented their seventh annual spring play and entertainment. The play, "The White Phantom," was directed by Mr. Jack Corbett and was followed by readings, dances and quartette numbers. Dancing until midnight completed a most enjoyable evening.

LADIES' AUXILIARY, N. A. M. A.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the N.A.M.A. held a very successful card party in Cleveland on Saturday evening, May 16th. Everyone present had a very happy evening and a considerable sum was added to the treasury. May we suggest that ladies in other sections of the country hold similar parties not only to create an interest in the Winnipeg convention but to aid it financially.

ONE THOUSAND YEARS OF SELF-GOVERNMENT

Several months ago the "Isle of Man Times" gave an account of an interesting paper presented before the Aeglagh Vannin Society by Mr. G. F. Clucas, M. A., Speaker of the House of Keys. The main points of Mr. Clucas' story of the ancient Manx parliament will claim the attention of Manx people everywhere.

The House of Keys has been in existence since the days of King Orry—approximately 1,021 years.

There are many interpretations of the word "Keys." Some consider it is from the Manx "keise"—chosen.

The men who were chosen as "Keys" were the "worthiest men." They were called together to be consulted by the Chief or the Deemster, and to publish his decrees to the people. The place where they met was called the "tyrwald."

They met under conditions which we can hardly visualize. In those days there were neither towns nor villages; the roads were bridle paths; there was neither paper nor printing.

In King Orry's day the Keys were "freeholders." In the year 1429 they were—for the first time—elected by the people.

In 1581 the 24 Keys were declared the Representatives of the Country, and that no law is binding on the people without their consent. However, popular election was not permanently established then. The House for the most part was self-elective until 1866.

Folk were critical in the early days—even as now—and in the year 1601 someone passed the remark—characteristic enough of all times and all countries—that "the Keys never did any good to the Isle." The members did not sit back and accept such a statement—they then and there passed a law that those who slandered the Keys should be subject to fine, besides having their ears cut off!

In 1717, for protesting against their privileges being curtailed by the Governor of the Isle, they were imprisoned and fined one pound each by Governor Horn.

During many years following this, the Keys fought persistently to maintain their own rights and those of the Manx people. The struggle ended with the passing of the House of Keys Election Act in 1866, whereby popular election became permanently effective. In 1881—long years before England took such action—unmarried women and widows obtained the franchise.

In 1924 women were made eligible as members of the House.

It is worthy of note that no trace of political corruption or bribery exists in the entire history of the Keys. On the contrary, they courageously stood up for the rights of the people of the Island, and their expenses, personally paid, since their official incomes afforded no margin for traveling, amounted to thousands of pounds for going to and from London. This was during certain years in the eighteenth century, when they defended the rights of the Manx people before the British parliament, against the Duke of Atholl, ruler of the Island at that time.

Throughout their long history, therefore, the Keys have lived up to an ideal of justice and honesty. This ideal can best be expressed in some of the impressive words taken from their oath:

"You shall use your best endeavour to maintain the ancient laws and customs of this Isle. You shall justly and truly deliver your opinion and do right in all matters which shall be put unto you without favor or affection, affinity or consanguinity, love or fear, reward or gain, or for any hope thereof; but in all things you shall deal uprightly and justly and do wrong to no man."

(Contributed by the N. A. M. A. Historical Committee)

MANX PROVERBS

Cha jagh moylley ghooinney hene rieau foddey voish e ghorrys.
"A man's praise of himself never went far from his door."
(English version: "Self praise is no recommendation.")

Ta lane caillit eddyr y lane as y veeal.
"There's much lost between the hand and the mouth."
(English version: "There's many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip.")

Tra hig yn laa, hig yn coyrle lesh.
"When the day comes, its counsel will come with it."
(English version: "Sufficient for the day is the evil thereof.")

Tra ta un dooinney boght cooney lesh dooinney boght elley, ta Jee hene garagtee.
"When one poor man helps another poor man, God Himself laughs" (for joy).

Nagh insh dou cre va mee, agh insh dou cre ta mee.
"Don't tell me what I was, but tell me what I am."

FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT

It has been my privilege to attend an N.A.M.A. Executive meeting at Cleveland and go over the arrangements for our Annual Convention which will be held this year in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, and you can rest assured that everything possible was done to make this reunion a great success.

The Manx people of Winnipeg are working hard to make your visit an enjoyable one as they are looking forward to your coming and spending the happiest days of your life.

Let's give them our support by attending, some one will be there looking for you, don't disappoint him.

R. H. CORKILL.

First Vice President.

THE JOURNAL OF THE MANX MUSEUM

Since the establishment of the Museum in 1922, three considerable Collections of Manx Manuscripts have come into the Library including the Castle Rushen Papers and the Sodor and Man Diocesan Registry. These contain many records of great historical value and interest, their dates covering the 16th, 17th, and early 18th centuries.

It is proposed to continue in each issue of the Journal a number of these Unpublished Documents.

The number of documents printed will depend upon the support received from the friends of the Museum; and it is hoped that the additional income will allow also of occasional illustrations.

If you are interested in securing the publication of these valuable National Records write or telephone the Historical Committee through your corresponding Secretary.

If Miss Bertha I. Kneen will communicate with the Corresponding Secretary, she will be furnished with information of value to her.

MONA'S ISLE

Her green hills slope toward the sea
A fairy spot it seems to me.
From Snaefell's top we mountains scan
In Scotland, England and Ireland.

An ancient heritage have we
Of which we're justly proud, for see
A thousand years have passed away
Since Tynwald court first held its sway.

The oldest parliament we know
Still meets July the fifth and so.
A thousand years seem but a day
To Manxmen all on Tynwald day.

Her people too, are good and kind,
No better folk on earth I find,
And though I wander far away
For Island home I'll ever pray.

—W. S. Quirk, Albany, N. Y.

THE COOISH CORNER . . . by "Phynnoderee"

Mrs. Tipper, nee Marrion, of Los Angeles after reading Mr. Quine's opening installment of "Isle of Faery" felt the urge to "put her foot on old Victoria Pier again."

Coach service from Chicago to Winnipeg has been suggested. Besides saving money what's the idea—sitting up all night! Maybe W. D. Moore can explain.

Fred Boyd's special Convention pajamas weren't ironed in time for him to attend the NAMA Executive meeting in Cleveland May 9. Better hurry up and get them ready for the Convention, Fred. We'll be seein' ye.

A dash of lavender — suggested color for the pajama parade at the Convention.

Mrs. Wilfred Bridson and daughters are the only Manx family in Huntsville, Ont. The Three Musketeers travel through that territory almost every summer. How about "puttin' a sight" on them?

Mr. Quine's story of the Harvard graduate reminds Mr. Kinvig of Medicine Hat, Alta., of his arrival in Minnesota from the I. O. M. He had expected his uncle to meet him at the train but arrived at the uncle's home first and alone. The uncle coming in an hour later observed in apology that the only people he saw getting off the train looked like travellers.

A good angel in Washington, D. C., who is working hard for the NAMA has personally subscribed for four persons beside himself.

Mr. James C. Tyson, organist and choir master of St. Ann's Church, Astoria, L. I., says "Hello" to his old friends Frank Cleator and Steve Cannell of Cleveland.

Tom Christian is running for office again this year in Pueblo, Colorado—the best of luck Tom.

A word of warning to Mr. Sidney Corkish, Buffalo, who is said to have "hopes." Two eligible spinsters active in NAMA are continually mindful that this is Leap Year.

Mr. Moore hopes that Mr. Chapman of Douglas will put his weight behind a suggested tour from the Isle of Man to Winnipeg Convention. As Mr. Chapman carries a lot of "weight" we feel sure this party will be bigger and better than ever.

An eminent Common Pleas Judge of Cleveland is a Boy Scout enthusiast—We hope he does his one good deed a day.

What—no priddas and herrin'—! But you are assured of a delicious chicken dinner at Evelyn Christian's place in Chesterland, Ohio. Go out and take a skeet.

Various Societies report entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Teare of Ramsey, I. O. M. In Chicago they received, among many gifts, a Manx kitten and a tailless rooster.

Pioneering in Hudson Bay Junction, Sask., is still being done. Grubbing stumps, picking roots and breaking the land to make a farm is what Mr. and Mrs. Jervis have had to do beside handling the post office. But life in the wilderness has its compensations in spite of its difficulties. They have enjoyed fleeting glimpses of deer, caribou, bear and moose. Mrs. Jervis says the first moose and calf she saw reminded her of the Isle of Man because they were rumpies.

One of our eligible bachelors from Detroit has suddenly lost interest in the Breakfast Club. But take it easy Dick—the ball and chain is a permanent institution you know.

Correction—Manx Fairy, the prize pug, was misnamed through no fault of Phynnoderee. But here's to the blue blooded canine — may her tribe increase.

At a recent National Competition of High School bands throughout the middle west a little Manx American boy, Norman Clucas, was a member of the Bensonville Community High School, Roselle, Ill. which won first place in Illinois three years in succession. We aren't surprised—with Manx blood in the organization.

Mrs. T. Cowell, nee Jessie McKnight, 1224 Pine Lane, Buckman Village, Chester, Pa. has been in miserable health. A word of cheer from some Ramsey folk would be much appreciated.

For the benefit of the American born Manx the following glossary is submitted: Ling — heather; bart — bundle; curragh—swamp; chollagh—fireplace; slowery—three legged kettle which hangs suspended over the fire; gill—glen or valley; cushag—a weed with a lovely blossom. However, regarding the cushag there is a difference of opinion but our honorable president will be glad to enlighten anyone who cares to consult him on the matter.

Bon Voyage and Happy Landings to all you fortunate people who are taking a trip "home" this summer.

N. A. M. A. MEETINGS AT CLEVELAND

All of the officers of the N.A.M.A. gathered in Cleveland on May 9th and 10th for their regular pre-convention executive meeting.

An open meeting for Northern Ohio Manx was held on Saturday evening, the 9th, at the Hotel Cleveland. Addresses were given by Mr. W. D. Moore, President; Mr. Richard H. Corkill, 1st Vice President; Mr. W. H. Kelly, 3rd Vice President; Mr. J. R. Cain, Past President; Mr. J. Edwin Kelly, Past Vice President; and other officials. Mr. Robert Gregg, President of the Los Angeles Manx Society, who was visiting in Cleveland at that time for several days, also spoke.

Mr. John E. Christian, of Cleveland, first President of the Association, acted as chairman.

The proceedings opened with the singing of the three National Anthems, The Star Spangled Banner, O Canada, and O Land of Our Birth. A program had been arranged, the numbers being introduced between the addresses. Items included stereopticon views of the Isle of Man shown by Miss Evelyn Christian, vocal solos by Mr. J. Q. Clucas and Mr. Edwin Kelly, piano solo by Mrs. Douglas Cannel. The meeting was enthusiastic and was well attended.

At the executive meeting held the following day, arrangements for the coming Convention were discussed in detail as well as other matters pertaining to the welfare of the organization. The finances were reviewed and found to be in good order, and the meeting was voted most successful. All members of the Executive Board were present.

LET'S BRING IN MORE N. A. M. A. MEMBERS!

Thanks and appreciation to these Manx Society officers in all parts of the continent who have done noble work in increasing N. A. M. A. membership among their own Manx community:

Mr. W. D. Moore, Montreal.
Mr. Jas. Y. Mann, Winnipeg.
Mr. Sidney Corkish, Buffalo.
Mr. Richard Corkill, Detroit-Windsor.
Mr. J. G. Downward, Toronto.
Mr. N. Earl Brown, Seattle.
Mr. Fred Boyde, Chicago.
Mrs. Mary Caine Ward, Los Angeles.
Mr. Richard Cock, Detroit-Windsor.
Mr. Arthur Teare, Edmonton.
Mrs. William Karran, Smithtown Branch, L. I., N. Y.
Mr. John R. Cain, Cleveland.
Mrs. Essie Quayle, San Francisco.

Let's have some more names of Manx officers added to this list in the next Bulletin.

Thanks, also, to Mr. Edwin C. Killip, of Los Angeles, who to date

is responsible for no less than ten memberships; and to Mr. J. Wilson Jenkinson of Washington, D. C., who also has sent in several. Many other friends, too, have sent in new members, and we are sorry that space does not permit us to mention them all individually.

"From the Nors and the Sows, and the East and the West" have come letters from Manx folk telling us that they enjoy the Bulletin. Again we wish we had space to include these letters, but we do take the opportunity to thank each and all of these friends and express our sincere appreciation.

DO YOU KNOW—

Who wrote "Roses of Picardy"? The melody springs to your tongue as you read the title. But scarcely one person in a hundred knows it was Haydn Wood, a shrewd little Manxman, who wrote this and pocketed a five-figure royalty on the strength of its enormous war-time success.

At the time of Haydn Wood's birth, his father had been to a concert to hear Haydn's "Creation." Taking his tiny son in his arms he declared solemnly, "I have just been listening to Haydn's 'Creation.' This is my creation! I shall call him 'Haydn.'" — From I. O. M. Weekly Times.

That in the parish of Maughoid, Isle of Man, there is an old Quaker burial ground? It is the resting place of the members of a Quaker colony which existed in Maughoid early in the 17th century.

That John Milton's immortal poem "Paradise Lost" was translated into the Manx language by the Rev. Thomas Christian, Vicar of Marown, in 1796? This is of interest when one considers that with the exception of the Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, John Wesley's Hymns, and several religious essays, very few standard literary works are available in the Manx language.

That the "Cleveland Gold Medal" is the most coveted trophy for soloists at the Guild, or Manx Music Festival, held in Douglas each spring? The Cleveland Medal bears on one side the Ohio insignia with the word "Cleveland Manx." It is awarded each year to the soloist receiving highest marks in any of the vocal groups.

Miss Amy Quayle, Secretary of the Guild Committee in Cleveland, received a cablegram on April 29th announcing the 1936 prize winner—Harry Comish, tenor, of Douglas, formerly of Peel. Congratulations to him, and best wishes for further successes!

(To be continued)

ANSWERS TO GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONS

1. Six Sheadings.
2. Glenfaba, Michael, Ayre, Garff, Middle, Rushen.
3. 17 Parishes.
4. Marown.
5. 1830.
6. 1663.
7. At Point of Ayre.
8. Beer.
9. 500—Warp and tally.
10. 8 quarts.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Henry Gale, an interested and willing worker in the Edmonton Manx Society, passed away on March 15, 1936. Mrs. Gale was born in Peel.

One of the first members of the Rochester Manx Society, Mr. John Bridson, who was born in Douglas and has resided in Rochester for the past twenty-five years, died on Monday, May 4th.

Mr. Thomas Creer, formerly of Greeba, Isle of Man, passed away at his home in Waterbury, Conn., on March 24th. He was 79 years of age and lived a very active, useful life.

Mrs. Eliza Fargher (nee Gorry), a member of the London, Ont., Manx Society, passed on in Cleveland on May 7th, at the home of her son, Mr. Ted Harrison.

We regret to report the sudden death of Mr. John Halsall, of Cleveland, on May 7th. Mr. Halsall frequently took part in Manx affairs and was known for his Manx impersonations.

News of the recent death of Mr. Chas. Stephen Corlett, of near Vancouver, Wash., has been received. He was born in the Parish of Marown, Isle of Man.

Mrs. Chas. H. Brandt (nee Crennell) of Cleveland, died suddenly on Friday, May 22nd. For many years Mrs. Brandt was keenly interested in Manx affairs in Cleveland.

Mrs. Alfred K. Kinley of Lakewood, Ohio, died suddenly on May 17th. Mrs. Kinley was greatly interested in the Cleveland Junior Manx movement, and directed several of their plays.

We regret to record the passing of that fine old Manxman, Mr. Thomas Coole, of Antioch, Illinois. Though in his 87th year, Mr. Coole had recently completed his tenth return to the Island in 63 years. He greatly enjoyed our conventions.

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

A-L-L A-B-O-A-R-D FOR WINNIPEG!

The transportation committee of the N.A.M.A. have selected the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY as the official railroad for our trip to the Ninth Annual Convention at Winnipeg.

As Chicago, Illinois, is the great central clearing station for the West we have decided to make that city the central meeting place for all Manx people and their friends who intend to join us for our trip to Winnipeg.

The 10-day round trip fare from Chicago to Winnipeg, Manitoba, is \$27.96.

Lower Berth—St. Paul to Winnipeg, \$2.00 each way.

Upper Berth—St. Paul to Winnipeg, \$1.60 each way.

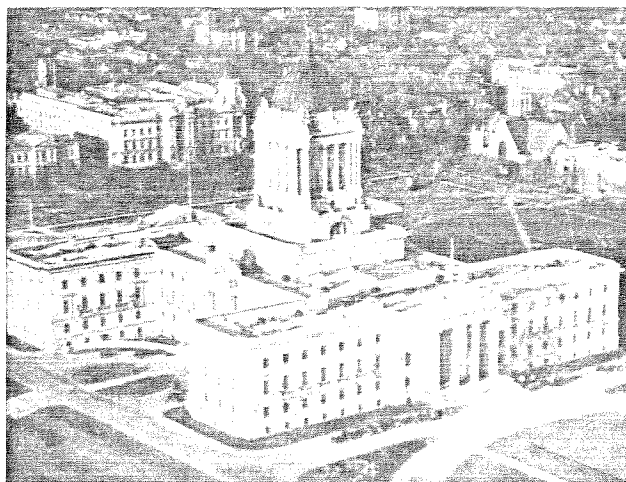
Your committee is planning a very delightful trip and it is hoped that a great many Manx people will avail themselves of the opportunity to join us at Chicago on Monday, August 3rd, where we will embark on the Chicago and North Western air conditioned train at 9:30 A. M. arriving at St. Paul, Minnesota, at 7:30 P. M. We hope many more Manx people and their friends will decide to join the party there. Here we will board the Sleeping Cars on the "Winnipeg" at 7:35 P. M. and arrive at Winnipeg 8:40 A. M., Tuesday morning, August 4th. This gives you a full opportunity to visit with your friends enroute. Also by arriving early Tuesday morning, you have a full day to visit prior to the activities which commence that evening.

Those wishing to make reservations for this wonderful trip please do so as early as possible with our corresponding secretary, Miss C. M. Mylecraine, 10525 Baltic Road, Cleveland, Ohio, who, receiving 100% cooperation from the Canadian Pacific Railway, will be pleased

to forward you full particulars and costs from any part of the Continent to Winnipeg.

NEW LOW RAILROAD RATES

New reduced rates are now available from all points to Chicago.



Winnipeg's many fine public buildings are worth visiting. Among these may be mentioned the Parliament Building (shown above)—Grain Exchange—Auditorium—Federal Building—Amphitheatre—Hospitals—Minto Armoury—City Hall—University of Manitoba—Law Courts—Mounted Police Barracks—various colleges and convents, many schools and churches, municipal swimming pools and last but not least, the beautiful cathedral in the sister city of St. Boniface.

ELLAN VANNIN - - The Isle of Faery

Being an account of the Isle of Man, Its Romantic History, Its Antiquities, and Its Singular Charm

By JOHN HENRY QUINE

(Continued from March issue)

CHAPTER 2

After a delightful voyage, we arrived at the busy port of Liverpool, the best point of departure for the Isle of Man. Lying in the river, looking like a miniature Cunarder, was one of the famous fleet of Manx steamers, with the red and black funnels. These funnels, by the way, in spite of all claims to the contrary, were used by the above steamers long before the Cunard Line adopted them. The Isle of Man Steam Packet Co. celebrated its centenary in 1930, and the Company has from its inception been owned and controlled by Manxmen. There is a fair-sized Manx colony in Liverpool, and that evening, as I strolled through the town, I saw the Three Legs, striking and bright in its gold paint, over many a place of business.

There is a daily service between

Liverpool and Douglas throughout the year, and during the summer season, two sailings each way. There are also daily summer services from Fleetwood and Heysham, north of Liverpool, and this passage is about an hour shorter.

The Isle of Man is one of the greatest holiday resorts in the British Isles, and is visited by more than half a million people each season. Douglas, the point of debarkation, therefore handles more than a million people each year, and is the greatest cross-channel port in the world. It is the capital of the Island, and the largest town, with a population of about twenty thousand souls. The other towns are Ramsey, about 4500, Peel 2500, and Castle-town, the ancient capital, about 2000. In addition, there are a number of picturesque villages, both on the coast and inland. The total popula-

tion of the Island is about 50,000 people.

At Princes Landing Stage I went aboard a fine steamer appropriately named the "Manxman," and found her with a full complement of about 2,000 Lancashire and Yorkshire people, all excited and talking in a picturesque dialect that is exceedingly difficult for Americans to understand. Lancashire people usually commence a conversation by saying "Sithee," which is simply a corruption of "I say to thee." Here is a Lancashire limerick, the only one I have ever heard, and it will give some idea of the dialect:

"There was a young lady of Bacup
Who left turpentine in a tacup;
Neighbour coom in,
Thowt it were gin:
Ever sin' then had t'acup."

Leaving port at 10:30 a. m., and

steaming down the Mersey, we passed a German freighter flying the Swastika flag of the new Hitler regime, while at our masthead was seen the Three Legs of Man, the device of the ancient Kingdom of Mann, believed by scholars to be derived from the same source. The distance from Liverpool to the mouth of the river is about ten miles, but on account of the narrow channel, which has to be constantly dredged, steamers have to proceed at half speed; ours being a 20-knot boat, it took us about an hour to get into the open sea, and we then took a N. W. course. The day was beautiful, with a fresh breeze and a light haze on the horizon. Suddenly, at 1:15 p. m., someone cried excitedly, "There it is!" Then followed a rush of passengers to the starboard side, and there, faintly discernible through the haze, was the Magic Isle of Manannan Mac Lir, and the tears gushed into my eyes.

I stared as if entranced, while the rounded lovely outlines gradually became clearer. "A sleeping beauty!" I said to myself. Those who truly love Ellan Vannin are rewarded with an exquisite sense of well-being and happiness, which transfigures their countenances, while, on the other hand, those who live simply to exploit the Island for their own selfish purposes are punished in a way that is not permissible for me to describe.

Every minute the details became clearer; the grand sea-cliffs with romantic glens running down to the water's edge, and above them a checkerboard pattern of green and gold and purple, sunshine and shadow alternating, with here and there a gorse fire burning on the great hills that form the backbone of the Island. Even the persistent drought for this unprecedented summer had failed to destroy the glorious beauty of the scene, hardly to be matched anywhere in the world. We are now escorted by a bodyguard of Manx herring gulls, at once graceful and greedy, eagerly swooping down to retrieve the scraps of food that are thrown overboard. Soon the beautiful crescent of Douglas Bay comes within the purview of our vision, a sight that competent critics claim is second only to the Bay of Naples. One after another all the dear old familiar landmarks are seen, the pier crowded with excited friends frantically waving handkerchiefs, and the steamer, under magnificent handling, glides alongside with the precision of clockwork. We have arrived.

CHAPTER 3

"He let him see a castle fair,
Such a one he never saw yare,
Nowhere in no country:
The Turke said to Sir Gawaine,
Yonder dwells the King of Mann,
A heathen soldan is he."

—Romance of Sir Gawaine.

The great popularity of the Isle of Man as a summer resort is due to the fact that it offers attractions both to high-brows and low-brows, and incidentally to middle-brows. The Island is a perfect mine of interest to the archeologist, the antiquarian, the historian, the geologist, the artist, the poet and the novelist; and to the tired town-dweller it offers, in the case of Douglas, all the attractions and distractions of a first-class watering-place, with marvelous bathing, splendid boating and fishing, and dancing to some of the finest orchestras in the British Isles. On the other hand, to those who wish to get "far from the madding crowd," there are scores of delightful secluded hamlets where one can find balm for jaded and jangling nerves. Although the Island looks small on the map, it is only a little less in area than some of the English counties. The extreme length is 33 miles, and the extreme breadth, about midway, 12 miles, but generally the breadth is about 10 miles for the greater part of its length. The coast line is about 80 miles; the area 145,325 acres, or 227 square miles, of which a fourth part is mountain waste and common.

Man, or Mona, or Ellan Vannin, is situated in the middle of the Irish Sea, and is therefore sometimes called the Midway Isle. The shortest distances to the opposite coasts are, to Scotland (Burrow Head in Wigtownshire) 16 miles; to England (St. Bee's Head in Cumberland) 28 miles; to Anglesey, 45 miles; and to Ireland (the Ards of Down) 38 miles.

The Island lies about N. N. E. and S. S. W., with a diagonal range of mountains from N. E. to S. W., terminating abruptly over the sea at both ends. In clear weather, from the tops of various mountains, four countries can be seen, England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland; the Cumbrian hills, the Snowdon range, the Galloway highlands, and the Mourne Mountains. North Barrule is at the extreme northeast end of the Manx hills, and South Barrule near the south-west end. The name is a corruption of Ward-fell, the Hill of Watch and Ward, and it was here

in the troublous times of old that look-outs were posted, and bonfires lighted to signify the approach of an enemy. Snaefell, Manxland's highest peak, is 2,024 feet high, and N. Barrule 1,842 feet. In the southern part of the Island South Barrule is 1,584 feet, and Cronk-na-Irey-Lhaa 1,445 feet. Between these there are five hills above 1,500 feet, and two above 1,000, besides several lateral eminences a little below 1,000 feet. Most of the streams flow laterally from the central watershed, twelve on the eastern side, and fourteen on the western side, and naturally, their courses are rapid and short. The longest is the Sulby River, ending at Ramsey, with a course of ten miles. The three streams that form the harbors of Douglas, Castletown and Peel are about eight miles long.

On nearly all the Manx streams are to be found picturesque old flouring mills and woolen mills, there being four on the Sulby, three on the Glen Auldyn, eight on the Rhenass, and three on the Foxdale rivers. On the streams that unite to form the Douglas river there are nine, six on the Silverburn, three on the Colby; in fact, every stream of any consequence has either one or two. Unfortunately, with the altered conditions of modern life the industry has decayed, and most of the above mills are either idle or in ruins.

The most unique feature of the Island is the beautiful scenery of its numerous glens. From a distance one only gets a faint indication of the shy beauty that lies hidden in their depths, and it requires a thorough exploration to fully realize their charms.

To quote Mr. William Radcliffe, "though no two are exactly alike, they all contain exquisite features: richly wooded slopes, whose trees are festooned with ivy, and filled with singing birds; fairyland nooks of luxuriant foliage carpeted with moss; crystal rivulets, whose banks are lined with graceful ferns; deep ravines cut by the rushing streams through the solid rock; cascades and fountains illuminated by the sunlight; deep pools formed by the plunging waters; gigantic polished boulders lying athwart the current; and when the impetus of its fall is spent, a gentle stream slowly meandering through the lower glen, till it reaches the open sea."

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