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

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LEARNING BY EXPERIENCE

by Leslie McDonnell

I often think how lucky I was to be reared in such a place as the Isle of Man, with so many natural objectives for a boy to pursue. There was the gathering of bird's eggs (one only from a nest), the picking of blackberries along the Colby River at the end of the summer, walks to Fleshwick, Cronk-ny-Arrey-Lhaa, South Barrule, the Chasms, Bradda Head and the Sound and, at that time, going to the big mill dam where we sailed our model yachts. Football (soccer) took up a lot of our time, but the prime attraction was the beach at Port St. Mary and the sea. The latter was one of our greatest objects of interest, subject as it was to such contrasting moods, just like a mill pond one day and just a day or so later a gale from south-east would bring in lots of white caps or broken water and the spray from the sea wall would rise right up to the road on the Promenade.

The sea was the big attraction for us. We would go out in rowboats, especially on a day with a stiff wind blowing from north, and two of us standing up on the seats would hold our coats wide open to act as sails and we would scoot out of Chapel Bay with a third boy at the rudder. Of course there was the long hard row back again but the thought of another fast trip out would compensate for that.

I learned how to row while quite young — at the age of five. I was down on the beach one day when a visitor rowing a boat offshore came in and asked me if I could row. I told him 'No'; anyhow he asked me to go out with him and try. On getting out from the shore this man took off his outer garments — he was wearing his bathing suit underneath — took one oar out, put it in a rowlock, showed me how to row and then dived overboard. I, feeling very big, took hold of the oar

and rowed that boat round and round in circles thereby keeping it more or less in one place, which was of course what the bather wanted. That was my first lesson in handling a boat.

Speaking of boats and boating, one summer evening four of us, ranging in age from Tommy, the eldest, aged 18 to myself, the youngest, aged 12, went out in a rowboat to get some fishing. As I was not particularly interested in fishing, I got quite a lot of the rowing to do which was quite agreeable to me. The day began to shorten when we were on our way home to Port St. Mary and we found that the tide had commenced to ebb and about all I could do was to keep the boat from losing distance, so we decided to put another rower on the job. In the process of moving one rowlock, Finlo who was going to row, dropped it overboard and as we only had two aboard there we were off Black Head with only one rowlock. Well we were very shocked to put it mildly but it was rather humorous to see the reactions of each of us. Finlo aged 14 was a very scared boy and began to pray, Charlie aged 15 was differently affected, he began to swear and the more he swore the more Finlo panicked. Tommy, who was Charlie's brother, kept saying "Tut, tut, man"

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'JENNIE THE MONKEY'

by Harold Callister

When I was a young boy, I lived at 41 Victoria Street, Douglas, I.O.M. My father was William Callister, a draper, and his establishment was known as the "Victoria Bazaar". Walter, one of my older brothers, served his apprenticeship with Robert Knox as a marine engineer and finally ended up as a chief engineer for the Clan Lines, a merchant shipping company from Glasgow, Scotland. On one of his trips from Africa he brought home a cute little brown monkey as a pet for my sister and me and we called it Jennie.

When my brother sat down to tea with us we did not know he had an animal with him but during the course of the meal, we noticed a little hairy hand and arm protrude from his suit and reach for a snack of biscuit or bread. Then Walter let her loose and she took one leap to the mantleshelf and landed on top of the clock which, as usual in most Manx homes, stood in front

of a large mirror. There she was admiring and scratching herself. In the meantime the Callister family had left the table in a hurry and were peeking around the door to see what was going to happen next. That was Jennie's introduction to the family and my father got a large wooden dry goods box and with chicken wire in front, made a cage for our pet and we kept her in the kitchen.

Jennie got to be quite a favourite with my father and stepmother. Every night when she would hear my Dad come up the stairs from the shop below, she would perform tricks in the way of jumping around the large cage touching all sides with her hands and feet — and that was all for a cup of tea. We also had a big mother cat which we called Kruegar and our pet Jennie and Kruegar became good friends. In fact Jennie used to sit in the basket and mind the kittens when Kruegar

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CONVENTION TO BE IN TORONTO !

The 1965 Convention of the North American Manx Association is to be held in Toronto either during the last week of July or the first of August. Details of the location, exact dates and members and chairmen of committees etc. will be in the next issue of the Bulletin. The Toronto Society are already hard at work making arrangements and those of you who remember the last Convention in Toronto will know that it is sure to be a good one, so don't be hasty in arranging your next year's holidays — wait until you know the dates so that you can be sure to be there.

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— Tommy was more religiously inclined. I believe that I was the least affected as I was the best swimmer (I swam three lengths of the Chapel Bay when I was fourteen) and I was very sure that I could reach the rocks but what bothered me was the question of whether I could climb up the rocks or not. After our first shock had died down we began to really think our situation over and I had a lucky idea. I knelt down, put my arm on the gunwale over Finlo's oar and, using my armpit as a fulcrum. Finlo could row without a rowlock. Charlie who was the strongest member of the party handled the other oar and Tommy did the steering. that way we made slow but sure progress and after getting into Perwick Bay we lost a lot of the tide and beached the boat high and dry on the stones at Perwick just about as darkness was setting in.

The armpit of my coat was the only sufferer from that episode as a lot of the cloth was worn away. My aunt, using good judgment I thought, did not question me too closely as to the cause

IN MEMORIAM

DR. JOSIAH J. MOORE

"To live in the hearts of those we love is not to die."

It is with a feeling of great sorrow we record the sad loss of Dr. Josiah J. Moore, who died suddenly on May 5th., 1964 in the Little Company of Mary Hospital, following a heart attack. He had been in the hospital just a few short hours. Dr. Moore suffered a heart attack a few years ago but he had completely recovered to continue full-time duties almost to the time of his death. Dr. Moore was assistant to Dr. Samuel L. Andelman, Chicago Health Commissioner. Expressing sorrow on the death of Dr. Moore, Dr. Andelman wrote "He will be hard to replace on the Board because of his intense interest in all phases of public health."

As a doctor, Dr. Moore has been greatly honored, having served in an executive capacity on several medical associations and societies. He served as president of the Chicago Medical Society in 1950. He retired as treasurer of the American Medical Association in 1958 after filling the post for fifteen years. He was a pioneer in the establishment of the Illinois Board American Cancer Society, a Life Member of the Chicago Board of Health and founder and director of the Moore Clinical Laboratories, 55 E. Washington Street, Chicago. He was pathologist of the Little Company of Mary Hospital since 1932 and he served as consulting pathologist for several hospitals.

In July, 1963, Dr. Moore received a medal for "Outstanding contributions to the program of tubercular control",

but sent the coat to Wm. Henry Waterson the tailor for repairs. Mr. Waterson wondered I suppose how such damage happened and questioned me, so I had to tell him. However he never told my aunt, also using good judgment.

Finlo was the only one who really suffered I believe, as it was quite a while before he could be persuaded to go boating again. We others had a good lesson and after that carried one or two spare rowlocks and tied down those that were in use. Anyhow it was quite an experience.

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from the Tuberculosis Institute of Chicago and Cook County. He was honorary Director of the Institute and served on its board from 1949 to 1962. At the time of his death he was vice president of the American section of the International College of Surgeons.

Dr. Moore was born in Anaconda, Montana. His father was a native of Peel. As a young lad, Dr. Moore lived in Peel and attended the Clothworkers Boys' School there. Dr. Moore loved everything that was Manx. Nothing gave him greater pleasure and relaxation than to be in the company of Manx friends. He became a member of the Chicago Manx Society in April, 1923 and served as president for five years and again in 1956 he served for one year more, making a total of six years as president of the Chicago Manx. In 1927, the late John E. Christian (father of Henry C. Christian our current N.A.M.A. President) and Dr. Moore were responsible for the founding of the N.A.M.A. Dr. Moore was president of the N.A.M.A. in 1931. At the Chicago Convention, 1933, Dr. Moore served as convention chairman and in 1963 he served the Chicago Convention as advisory chairman, and was instrumental in securing Dr. Samuel L. Andelman, Chicago's Health Commissioner, as guest speaker on the opening day of the Convention.

To know Dr. Moore was to love him. To the Chicago Manx he was "Mr. Toastmaster". His friends will long remember him as the toastmaster at the banquet in 1963 at the Chicago Sheraton Hotel. He was superb. No anniversary dinner or gala event was complete without his ready wit and humor which he must have inherited through his mother's Irish ancestry.

Dr. Moore leaves his wife, Florence, also two sons, Dr. Franklin J. Moore and Dr. Wm. Aubrey Moore, and a sister, Jane.

UNITED SERVICE AT ST. GERMAN'S

A special St. German's Day United Service was held in the ancient Cathedral on St. Patrick's Isle, Peel. The Lord Bishop, Dr. Benjamin Pollard, and the leader of the Manx Methodists, the Rev. Joseph Wilson, walked together in the procession from the Keep of Peel Castle to the Cathedral. Mr. Sam Penrice who was on holiday in the Island at the time and took part in the service sends the following report: —

"During our stay I took part in a special service at St. German's Cathedral. The service which was well attended by local people and visitors was conducted by Canon Dixon with St. John's Church choir leading the singing. Music was provided by the Salvation Army band. The prayers were led by the Supt. Minister of the Manx Methodist Church who stressed the unification of the Manx churches and also the preservation of St. German's as a national religious shrine as an inspiration to all Manx people, residents and visitors.

One lesson was read by Mr. Faragher, Mayor of Peel, the other by myself.

The main address was given by the Bishop, Dr. Pollard, who spoke with religious conviction of his desire to see Peel's ancient cathedral restored to its intended purpose.

It may be of interest to N.A.M.A. members to know that the walls of the building are in a good state of preservation and if the building was roofed it could easily be put into use for many such services as the one we attended while on the Island as a place of pilgrimage for Manx people and visitors."

JENNIE THE MONKEY

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took off. I used to laugh at Jennie and tease her about sitting and holding the kittens. That she did not like and let me know by showing all her teeth and chattering in monkey language.

One of the highlights of Jennie's career was the time my father took us all to the Tynwald Fair. As there was nobody at home to watch the monkey, my father tied her in the bathroom. Our Jennie turned the water on by jumping around and, thinking she should stop the water from going down the drain she tore wall paper from the wall and stopped up the drain. The water had been running all day and when we came from the Fair the water was running underneath the shop shutters on Victoria Street and doing several hundred dollars worth of damage.

We moved from 41 Victoria Street

VANCOUVER MANX SOCIETY CHARTER DC8 TO MANCHESTER, ENGLAND

The Vancouver Manx Society chartered a flight to Manchester on April 13th, 1964. We left Vancouver airport, where hundreds of people bid us "au revoir". We were one hundred and thirty in number for the flight, so had lots of friends and relations to see us off. I can say we had a very good time as everyone was so friendly and service on board the T.C.A. plane couldn't have been better. Hostesses were charming and delicious meals were enjoyed by all. Mr. Eden Costain was our "group captain" on board, assisted by his sister, Mrs. Bessie Varley. They are well known for their congeniality and good humour and kept everyone in high spirits.

We arrived in Manchester at 8:30 a.m. after only eight hours of very smooth flying. Those who were going to Isle of Man, boarded Cambrian Airways and landed at Ronaldsway Airport soon after. There we were met by Mr. Harold Cain, M.H.K. and family, also the very able secretary of the World Manx Association, Mr. C. Craine, Mrs. Essie Quayle, relatives and friends from all over the Island. After welcome speeches and pictures, we were entertained at tea. I can certainly understand why the Manx people are noted for their hospitality. It was a wonderful homecoming for us all.

Our destination was Castletown, where we were born, and what a thrill to meet sisters and brothers again. The Island is just as lovely as ever, primroses and bluebells everywhere. I am sure the gorse was blooming just for our benefit — I have never seen it lovelier. Our visit of ten weeks is something we will never forget as so many people made us feel right at home. The Coach Tours were enjoyed by all; also refreshments. Mr. Cain and his family deserve a special mention, as they took the time to join us on all tours and we realize they have so many commitments. I think the highlights of our trip were attending the T.T. races where we met so many courteous young people. They represent motor cycle clubs from all over and I think the Island should be very proud of them. Our attendance at the Guild Music Festival was most enjoyable. I was a member of the Castletown Choral Society under the noted conductor, Willie Cubbon — a long time ago.

The return flight on June 21st was just as enjoyable and flying time again only eight hours. We had a great welcome home and have many happy memories of our visit.

We thank everyone for their kindness shown and suggest you go to the Isle of Man for your holidays. We would also like to recommend Trans Canada Airlines, now known as Air Canada, because of their excellent service and personal attention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kneale

to a boarding house at 2 Metropole Mansions on the Queen's Promenade and my mother who was trusted more by Jennie than any one else, carried Jennie under her cape on the horse car to her new home on the Promenade.

Here she did her most unforgettable tricks. My brother had told us if she got out of hand we should get out a large mop as the sailors threw the monkeys over the side of the ship and pushed the mop in their face when they would try to climb the rope.

One day our Jennie got loose from her chain and my mother had the dining room table all set for the visitors' dinner. Jennie walked over the whole table sampling a little here and there but never upsetting a thing.

But I think the greatest stunt she ever pulled was one day when she got loose, crawled up the large rain pipe at the rear of the building, went into the visitors bedrooms and picked up jewelry and bright objects and put them in the pouches at the side of her mouth. To catch her that day I got

out the huge mop and my mother, who as I said Jennie absolutely trusted, got up in a high window and when Jennie saw me with the mop she ran for cover to my mother. It was quite embarrassing to tell our guests what our pet had done because it looked as though we had trained her to steal.

One last trick Jennie played was when I was going to a birthday party and my mother had just finished ironing some eton collars for the event. Jennie had got her hands in the coal box and then smeared my collars. My mother was angry and ordered Jennie out to the kennel in the back yard. She had a regular dog kennel packed with straw to keep her warm, on top of an old table. That night a bird got into her kennel and, in the dark, scared her out onto the table. It was a cold night and she caught cold and never recovered.

This is a sad ending to Jennie's story but it is the true story of Jennie, the monkey that lived with the Callister family.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

TORONTO

During our three months summer recess our entertainment committee has been very busy planning events and functions that have been beneficial to the Society.

The Annual Picnic was held June 13th. at Centre Island with about 60 attending and the weather was kind to us. The committee had a good programme lined up. Mrs. Hall looked after prizes, Mrs. Mitchell was in charge of refreshments and Bobby Watterson and F. Hall supervised the games and sports. A very happy day was thoroughly enjoyed by all and ended with a sail across the bay and home.

A Strawberry Festival was held at the home of Bobby Watterson on June 20th., a Barbecue Social at the home of Mrs. Kendall on July 18th. and a Corn and Weiner Roast at the home of Mrs. J. Morrison on August 29th. All these functions were well attended.

A dance and buffet luncheon is planned for November 13th. at the Tam o'Shanter Golf Club. A similar dance was held at the same place last year and proved very successful.

At the August 29th. event Mr. Sam Penrice called a special meeting of the Manx members to find out how many were in favour of the N.A.M.A. Convention coming to Toronto for 1965 and it was unanimously agreed to invite the N.A.M.A. and to advise the President of the N.A.M.A., Mr. Henry Christian of the decision.

A reminder to any of our Manx friends who visit Toronto — Our regular monthly meetings will be starting in September at 1010 Gerard Street East. We meet every FOURTH Friday of the month and would welcome any visitors.

Frank Williamson,
Secretary.

ROCHESTER

The news from Rochester Manx is that they have been travelling this summer.

Mona Kelly had a nice trip to Ireland and enjoyed the Isle of Man. Alice Garrett visited Waverly, Pa., and Wellesboro recently and is hoping to pay a visit to Mascena, Montreal and Ottawa shortly. She and Betty Christian spent a day with Phoebe Sundlof in Dansville recently.

Alice Garrett.

VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx held their Annual Picnic in Stanley Park on August 8th. and in spite of unfavourable weather had an enjoyable time. The children's sports and races were a great source of entertainment for the youngsters. Among the visitors at the picnic were Edith, Ruth and Nelson Cubbon from Seattle, Arthur Teare from Victoria, Mr. Douglas from Vancouver. There were also some newcomers to Vancouver Manx Society — Mr. and Mrs. Corbin of North Vancouver; Mrs. P. Tregellis (twin sister of Vancouver Manx Society President) and her two children who arrived from Ramsey last May, and Mr. and Mrs. Meredith who moved last year from Ottawa to reside in West Vancouver.

It is hoped to hold the first meeting of the new season on September 11th.

Leslie McDonnell,
Secretary.

CLEVELAND MANX

On Sunday, August 30, the Cleveland Manx held their annual picnic in Lakewood Park, where refreshing breezes from Lake Erie had a cooling influence on a very hot afternoon. A good crowd attended, including several out-of-town guests, who were warmly welcomed. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown of London, Ont., who were staying with Mrs. Amy Abell and family of Lakewood; Mrs. Annie Cretney of Schumacher, Ont.; Mr. Willie Quine of Lake Worth, Fla. (his sister, Mrs. Jackson, was unable to be present); Mr. and Mrs. Bob Faragher of Anna Maria Island, Fla.; and Mrs. F. H. Petersen of Chicago, who is a cousin of Mrs. Henry (Ethel) Christian, of Rocky River, Ohio.

Races and other sports for the youngsters were supervised by Miss Mildred Corris, Fred Gorry and Alan Fricke. Everyone assembled in the Pavilion for a basket supper, at the close of which Henry Christian, President of the N.A.M.A., announced that the Toronto Manx had invited the Association to hold the 1965 Convention in their city. This news was received with hearty applause, so, to repeat a slogan of some years ago, the word is "On to Toronto!"

The Picnic Committee members are to be congratulated on a very successful and happy gathering.

Gertrude Connell.

WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Manx had their picnic in Kildonan Park on Sunday, July 5th.; the weather was perfect and between 30 and 40 turned out. There were races, ice cream and drinks for the kiddies. It was so nice to see so many of the folks we have not seen for quite a while.

Plans were made for the coming season and a new slate of officers was elected.

President: Mr. Wm. Mylrea
Secretary: Mr. Harry Caley,
947 Sherburn Street,
Winnipeg 3, Man.
Committee: Mrs. Ron Faragher,
Mrs. Quirk,
Mr. John Corkish.

Mr. Ron Faragher, the retiring President, asked all present to support the new officers. The former Secretary, Eileen Killen, who put in lots of work and hours to try and keep the Society going, will surely be missed.

Plans have been made to start the season with a Hot Pot Supper on October 17th. The Winnipeg Manx welcome any who are travelling through Winnipeg at any time to give them a call.

Harry Caley,
Secretary.

CHICAGO

The Chicago Manx have not met since May but they hope to celebrate their 91st. Anniversary with a dinner in the fall.

In August they had a pleasant surprise when it was announced in the Chicago Daily News that A.B.C.T.V. would present the Motorcycle Races from the Isle of Man on their World of Sports programme. You can imagine the thrill of the Chicago Manx people as they sat in their own living rooms and watched the T.T. races.

Emily Kelly,
Secretary.

LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles Manx have been waiting for the return of their travellers before having their next meeting. Eddie and Winnie Killip have spent the summer in the Isle of Man and are to return in September. Donald and Mitzi Bain's daughter, Thelma, and her husband have had a very enjoyable flying trip to Scotland where he was speaking at a Congress. While over there they made visits to relations both in Scotland and England and the Isle of Man. There was to be a family get-together in England before they returned to America, the Manx folk making the journey to England to join the group.

Lillian Marrion-Tipper.

OUR OWN PEOPLE

Mr. Ed. Collister returned to his home in Galva in the middle of August after spending a month in the Isle of Man visiting friends and relatives. He was accompanied by his daughter Margaret and her husband (Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Busch, Northbrook, Illinois) who also visited Sweden, Denmark and many parts of the British Isles. The trip was made by jet.

Mr. Bill Cregeen of Mississippi made a business trip to Germany, Italy, Iceland and London in July. He flew to the I.O.M. for the first time to visit an aunt in Ramsey and another aunt in Douglas. Bill thought the Island beautiful. He is the son of Mrs. George Cregeen of Winnipeg, Canada.

Ethel and Henry Christian in August made a trip around the Gaspé, Quebec, while in Three Rivers, they made a side trip to Grand'Mère to visit Mr. and Mrs. Gardner for a few hours, then had lunch with Miss Doreen Wood in Shawinigan before going on to Montreal. They spent a most enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gregson along with Margaret and Victor Joughin. They visited with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Penrice of Georgetown at their home, near Toronto.

Sam and Hilda Penrice spent the weekend of September 12th. with Henry and Ethel Christian in Rocky River, Ohio. They were to attend International Masonic day.

Ethel and Henry Christian planned to hold an 'open house' on Sunday, September 20th. to celebrate Mr. J. J. Shimmin's 88th. birthday on the 21st. Mr. Shimmin is Ethel's father.

Folmer and Elsie Cashin Petersen of St. Petersburg, Florida, have been visiting their family in Park Forest, Illinois. They have been the guests of Arthur and Anne Shimmin in La Grange and also of Cecil and Emily Kelly, Chicago. Elsie and Folmer were members of the Chicago Manx Society and both were in Chicago to attend the Convention in August, 1963. They also visited Henry and Ethel Christian in Cleveland.

Mrs. Bessie Varley of 2270 Mannerling St., Vancouver, visited her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rodgers, in Seattle in August and whilst there spent an afternoon with Edith and Ruth Cubbon.

The husband of a former member of the Montreal Manx Society was one of six men to climb the Huascarán mountain in the Cordilla Blanca range of the Andes in Peru. Mr. W. J. H. West and his companions took eight days to climb the 22,205 foot peak and all returned safely to the base. They are members of the Seattle Mountaineers Club. Mrs. West is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Corlett, Ridgeway House, Ramsey, I.O.M.

Nelson, Ruth and Edith Cubbon of Seattle were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McDonnell, North Vancouver, from August 7th. to 10th. and while there attended the Vancouver Manx Annual Picnic and visited several of the homecomers who had returned from their trip to the Isle of Man.

In an effort to help young people plan their future lives, the University of Nevada for the first time in its his-

tory has done something about it.

They have offered a six week free summer scholarship at the University to three high school students.

15½ year old Kathy Mulligan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mulligan, Reno, Nevada, a second year student in high school was one of the three students chosen. The three young students will work with eight year old children during the summer. They will study two courses along that line. If they do not like this work, then they will know this is not the type of work they wish to prepare for in high school and college.

The experiment is being followed with much interest.

Kathy's grandparents are Mrs. Albert Wood (Annie Moore), Seattle, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mulligan of Dash Point, Tacoma, Washington.

Mr. Stanley C. Gell of Cleveland had the best holiday of his life this summer when he and his wife spent a month in the Isle of Man. Mr. and Mrs. Gell found all the Manx folks very good to them, particularly the Rev. Leslie Henry of Loch Parade Methodist Church, who, with his wife and family drove the Gells all over the Island. Mr. Gell was born in Onchan and Mrs. Gell's grandfather, John Corlett, was from Jurby.

Sam and Hilda Penrice and their son, Douglas, spent an enjoyable holiday in England, Scotland and the Isle of Man this summer. While in Ramsey they stayed with Hilda's father, Mr. C. E. Bridson of Taubman Street. They renewed many old friendships. Hilda and Doug. received a Bon Voyage card signed by the members of the Chicago Society when they boarded the ship at Montreal and would like to thank them for their thoughtfulness.

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES *continued*

GALVA & PEORIA

Several Galva folks were present at the Peoria Manx Society picnic in July when they elected new officers for the coming year.

Those elected were:

Wm. Archibald, Brimfield, Ill.

Vice President:

Mrs. Katherine McMynn, Peoria, Ill.

Secretary-Treasurer:

Miss Margaretta Carter, Peoria, Ill.

Galva Manx Society hope to hold their election of officers at a meeting in September.

Hilda Collinson,
Secretary (Galva)

MONTREAL

On July 4th. the Montreal Manx Society held their annual Tynwald Day Picnic at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Kelly at Christieville in the Laurentian Mountains north of Montreal. The grounds were nicely decorated with flags and bunting by Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Kaneen and as we approached we could see our Manx flag blowing in the breeze.

About 30 members and friends were present and all enjoyed an afternoon of games, pastimes and competitions, and the playing of record Manx Music.

J. V. Joughin,
Secretary.

Mrs. May Quilliam and Mrs. Jack Clarke of Winnipeg visited their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Corkish, in Patrick, Isle of Man, this summer. Other Winnipeg travellers are Mrs. May Vigfusson (Fick) who is at present on the Island and Mr. Ron Fargher and Mr. Roy Kelso who are leaving to visit their parents in Douglas in September. Winnipeg's Secretary, Mr. Harry Caley and Mrs. Caley are planning a trip to Vancouver, Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles in September. They are looking forward to meeting the Manx in Vancouver who gave them such a wonderful time 5 years ago and to meeting Manx folk in Seattle and San Francisco and visiting Mrs. Craine in Butte, Montana.

THE ISLES OF MAN

by Robt. Cecil Kelly,
Chicago Manx Society.

Since my retirement I keep myself occupied with reading and I found these facts which may be of interest.

As children we were given to understand there was only one "Isle of Man". On doing a little research, we find there is another island of the same name.

We know the "Isle of Man" — Ellan Vannin or Manxland, — is one of the British Isles, situated 4 degrees 30 minutes west, 50 degrees 15 minutes north.

The National Geographic Magazine map of April, 1946, shows the other "Isle of Man", one of the Nicobar Isles, is situated in the Adaman Sea west of the Malay Peninsular at 93 degrees 30 minutes east, 8 degrees 30 minutes north.

There is an island off the south west coast of Jutland Peninsular in Denmark called Mando meaning Man Island. This was written up in one of the Manx weekly papers on September 13th, 1963.

Then we have Male Island, a British protectorate ruled by Ceylon. This island is situated in the Indian Ocean at 74 degrees east, 4 degrees north.

And the women have not been forgotten because in the Gulf of Mexico off the south east corner of the Yucatan Peninsular is the Isla Mujeres or Isle of Women — taken from the National Geographic Magazine of October 1st, 1961, volume 120, page 520.

SEQUEL TO: "THERE WERE MANX ABOARD THE MAYFLOWER"

Mr. John K. Standish of 389 Blair Blvd., Eugene, Oregon, was very interested in Mr. Walter J. Stevenson's article on There were Manx aboard the Mayflower as he is a descendant of Captain Myles Standish. In a letter to Henry Christian, president of the N.A.M.A. he wrote: —

"There was considerable new information pertaining to the Standish family which now gives me something to work on. We have our genealogy completed back to the Captain and John Alden and Priscilla Mullin. The Captain and Barbara's son, Alexander, married John Alden and Priscilla's daughter, Sarah, of whom I am descendant. I am the ninth generation from Captain Myles Standish.

In the past year I have been corresponding with the librarian at Wigan, Lancashire, England, and he has furnished me with several historical records and books. To date I have over

OUR OWN PEOPLE

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F. Williamson and his daughter, Marion, Mr. A. Lorriman and Mr. W. Lorriman flew overseas June 9th. from Malton Airport to London where they picked up a car and drove up into Yorkshire. From there they toured the Lake district, Keswick, Lake Windermere, Morecombe, Southport and Liverpool and then took a plane from Leeds to Ronaldsway. F. Williamson writes that besides meeting many of his Manx friends he was greatly impressed with the alterations that are going on around the pier at Douglas. There is a magnificent waiting room that will accommodate nearly 2,000 people and nearly all the old buildings have been pulled down to make room for more modern buildings. More new buildings and improvements are being made along the Marine Drive from Douglas to Port Soderick. A walk through Summerhill Glen at night is well worth the effort with all the lights and illuminations in the trees but Mr. Williamson would recommend taking the lift at the Falcon Hotel, walking along Victoria Road to the entrance to the glen and walking down; its much easier than walking up. One of the most thrilling sights is to stand on Douglas Head or Onchan Head at night and view the lights along the Prom. There you can see 2½ miles of lights reflected in the waters of the bay and stretching in a crescent not marred by any advertisement signs. Some Manx say that nowhere else in the world can you see such a sight.

The Reverend and Mrs. Charles J. Kinrade would like their friends to know that they are now living at 210 S. Alma Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois.

Miss Eileen Killen of Winnipeg spent a holiday in the Isle of Man this summer staying with her brother, John, his wife Lilian, and niece Audrey.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown of Parma, Ohio, sailed in August for an indefinite trip to the Isle of Man. They will be staying with Mr. and Mrs. Doug. Cowley, 45 Woodbourne Road, Douglas.

3000 names listed from 1620 to the present time, but there are many more to add."

Mr. Standish wonders if there is any record of the Mullins (Molines) and also of John Alden as he has never been able to find any records of these two families. It is understood that the Mullins were French and located in England due to religious persecution.

Sixty people attended a family reunion this summer in Kempton, Illinois, when Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lowe of Kirk Michael were here to visit Mr. Lowes five brothers, William, Arthur, Fred, George and John. The five brothers, whose father was well-known as a milk roundsman, left the north of the Island starting with the eldest in 1911 and ending with John, the youngest of the emigrants, leaving in 1923. The only brother missing from the reunion was Edward who is sexton of Lezayre Church. Leonard had not seen William, the eldest of his brothers, for 53 years.

Mrs. Gladys Moran of Lakeworth, Fla. visited her cousin and family Mr. and Mrs. Norman Quirk of Redwood City in June. She also revived some Cleveland friendships with members of the Cottier family now living in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fayle entertained Mrs. Dorothy Quayle, Mrs. Amy Satterlee and Miss Noreen Cottier over the 4th. of July weekend at their home on the Russian River about 70 miles north of San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith of Akron, Ohio, spent a busy two weeks with Noreen Cottier in California in August. Their itinerary included a motor trip to Lake Tahoe and then south to Fullerton for a visit with Dr. Tom Quine. They also stopped to admire the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Currey in Monterey Park before ending their trip in San Francisco.

Miss Mildred Corris spent some time in Toronto and London this summer and visited Tom Crinnin and Mrs. Knowles.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Corkill of Detroit were guests of Mary and Harry Kelly in Cleveland recently and with the Kelly family attended a Golden Wedding Anniversary get together at Painsville, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Fick accompanied, by their daughter and son-in-law motored down to St. Petersburg, Florida, to visit their son who is in business there. They travelled about 3,500 miles and it is remarkable how some of our old Manx folk stand the strain of such a long trip. Mr. Fick is 84 years 'young' and Mrs. Fick is 83 beside being totally blind and yet enjoyed the trip.

"To live in the hearts of those we love is not to die."

THE LOADSTONE

by

Lillian Marrion-Tipper

I know an isle, a glorious isle,
 circled by the Irish Sea,
 To a Manxman it is a loadstone
 that pulls us back eternally.
 We leave its shores for other lands
 and settle for awhile
 but as time goes on that loadstone pulls,
 and we go home to its shores again
 with a great big beaming smile.
 To the north and south and east and
 west
 we scatter while we are there,
 We love its hills and mountains
 and go 'most everywhere.
 Our friends are glad to see us
 and we are pleased to see them too,
 and so begins the happy round
 that ends with many a "do."
 We see the different changes
 and like some that we see,
 but Oh, how we could like
 to turn back the clock
 to the things that used to be.
 As children how we loved to roam
 its shores and many a glen,
 I wonder if we see them now
 as we saw them then —
 The ferry boats, we loved them much
 when summer came to us,
 Nothing else can take their place,
 neither chair-lift, cars or bus.
 The seasons with their different joys
 alter little with the years.
 We think of each one differently,
 with joy and sometimes tears.
 The summer with its visitors —
 how gay that seemed to us
 and then that awful let-down,
 when we are through with all the fuss!
 A few short weeks and we are in the
 doldrums
 once again. The young ones get the
 urge
 to go and leave without pain,
 but in a few short years the newness
 palls
 and their thoughts turn home again.
 Then begins the planning,
 the saving, and all such
 until one day the telephone rings
 to tell us with a rush
 "Your plans are complete,
 your passage booked."
 (Oh, how that loadstone pulls)
 until one long looked for day
 we find ourselves once more
 looking at the wonderous sight,
 our well beloved shore.
 With smiles and tears we are grasped
 strongly by the hand
 and who can blame us if we think,
 this is my own, my native land.

JUNIOR COLUMN

THE TAILLESS MANX CAT

Manx cats have been very much in the news lately and since the junior members of the N.A.M.A. have Manx cat badges perhaps they might like to know something about them.

According to legend the cats lost their tales because they were late in getting into the Ark. All the other animals were in and the cats who had been ambling slowly along, probably catching a mouse or two on their way, arrived just as Noah was ready to shut the door. They got into the Ark but Noah slammed the door too soon cutting off their tales.

However, according to a leaflet published by the Manx Museum and National Trust there is a more scientific explanation.

"Many humorous but scientifically inaccurate explanations have been given to account for the absence of a tail on the Manx cat, but it can be stated that the tailless condition did not result from accidental or intentional cutting off of the tail.

In fact it is known that the tailless Manx cat is a 'sport' or (to use the scientific term) a mutation of the ordinary domestic cat. This means that the characteristic of taillessness is inherited; however, all the offspring resulting from the mating of a tailless cat are not necessarily without tails. Some of the offspring may be tailless, others short-tailed and others have the normal length of tail. In tailless and short-tailed cats (locally known as 'Rumpies' and 'Stumpies') the end bones of the backbone are altered in number and in structure.

As is generally found with mutations, continual close inbreeding brings out undesirable characteristics such as nervous disorders. Breeding a healthy pure Manx cat is a notable achievement. Other typical characteristics include the double coat and high hindquarters. These two features helped to support the entirely wrong idea that the Manx cat was related to the rabbit or hare.

The Manx cat may have originated on the Isle of Man or it may have been brought on a boat from the Middle or Far East, for tailless cats then existed and indeed are still to be found in several foreign countries. The first mention of tailless cats in any country, including the Isle of Man, is in mid-19th century literature. It is difficult to believe that mention of tailless cats would have been omitted by earlier writers if they had been present in the Island then, but up to the present there

is no conclusive evidence as to when the tailless Manx cat first appeared."

Perhaps the most publicized Manx cat at the moment is Peta who has been appointed official mouser to the British Government's Home Office. When he learned of the death of Peter, the Home Office cat, the Lieutenant-Governor sent a telegram to the Home Secretary, Mr. Henry Brooke, which read — "Isle of Man has just learned of unhappy demise of the Home Office cat. Happy to offer in its place a pedigree tailless Manx cat guaranteed minimum nine lives." The Home Secretary replied — "Offer of Manx cat as resident representative of Isle of Man in Home Office accepted with pleasure and gratitude. Three legs doubtless appropriate on home ground but four better in London."

Peta whose pedigree name is Man-ninagh Katedhu, will receive a bed, a blanket and about 70 cents a week. She flew from the Isle of Man accompanied by a member of the Board of Agriculture and the Board's senior veterinary surgeon and was personally welcomed by the Home Secretary and newspaper reporters and photographers.

It has been feared that this cat breed might eventually disappear and the Manx government has established a Manx Cattery to ensure its survival. Several of the kittens have been brought to the United States for breeding and at present there is such a demand that the Cattery has a waiting list. The British Government also is taking an interest in the breeding of Manx cats and has given a contract to the Riber Trust Fauna Reserve in Matlock, Derbyshire, to breed as many as possible. Those of you who have been to Chicago will no doubt have seen the cats from the Glen Orry Manx Cattery run by the Misses Carlson.

According to a Montreal paper which published an article on 'Fancy Cat' business recently there are two kinds of Manx cat, one with short hair and one with long. Can any of you find out if this is true?

Perhaps the last word on Manx cats should go to a reporter in an Isle of Man paper who said — "The biggest and best gimmick of all, especially as far as free international publicity is concerned, is still the good old Manx cat. They should all be given State pensions when they retire. They do more for the Isle of Man than a lot of Manxmen".

OBITUARIES

BERTSCH, Dr. Roy, formerly of 1668 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, died suddenly on August 15 at Pompano Beach, Fla., where he and his wife had been living since his retirement about a year ago. A graduate of Western Reserve University's School of Dentistry, Dr. Bertsch conducted his profession in Cleveland Heights for more than fifty years. His only survivor is his wife, Mona (née Martin), of Manx parentage. Her mother came from Andreas, Isle of Man. Before moving to Florida, Mrs. Bertsch was a devoted worker in the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society, serving as its secretary-treasurer for a number of years.

COLLISTER, Robert of Ballaugh, Isle of Man, passed away on July 20th. He was a brother of Ed. Collister and had been in failing health for some time. Another brother, Frank, also of Galva, survives.

KELLY, Edith Florence (née Martin) of Toronto died on June 27th., aged 79. Mrs. Kelly and her husband, the late John Joseph Kelly, were originally from Laxey, Isle of Man. She was the aunt of Ida (Mrs. Arnold), Anne (Mrs. Desborough) and Jack Cain.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MANX MUSEUM AND NATIONAL TRUST

The Annual Report of the Manx Museum and National Trust for the year ending March 31st., 1964 indicates that the year was an active and successful one. In a year notable for special exhibitions the outstanding event was the Bryan Kneale Exhibition of paintings and abstract metal sculpture. The exhibition of the work of this young Manx artist who has established an international reputation was financed by the Archibald Knox Fund. A special display was arranged around the outstanding accession of the cap of "William Dhone," marking especially its gift in the tercentenary year of his execution at Hango Hill. Two exhibitions were mounted in Ramsey: one showing the early history of the T.T. Motor Cycle Race and the other commemorating the centenary of the launching of the iron-built ship "Euterpe" at Ramsey.

A further major property has been added to the Trust's holding of National Trust land with the generous gift of Gob ny Rona, Maughold.

KENNISH, Harriet (née Sharp) wife of George, and mother of Frank, of Douglas, Isle of Man. Passed away Tuesday, August 18th., 1964.

MADDRELL, Thomas C., of 6503 S. Bangor St., Seattle, Washington, passed away on February 19th., 1964. Mr. Maddrell was 87 years of age and was born in Ballakillowey, Colby, Isle of Man. He and Mrs. Maddrell were married March 13th., 1906 in Hamilton, Ontario, and came in 1911 to Seattle where they have resided ever since. Mr. Maddrell is survived by his wife, Edith; two daughters, Mrs. Hugo (Mona) Sobottka and Mrs. Donald (Joyce) Burke, both of Seattle; one son, Charles of Sunnyside, California; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Also three cousins: Mr. Henry Cowley, Santa Barbara, California; Mrs. Sallie Prideau of Colby and Mr. John Crebbin, Spaldrick, both in the Isle of Man.

MONIER, Thomas, of Galva, Illinois, aged 92 passed away on Monday, July 20, after failing in health for some months. Surviving are his wife, Emily; son, Harold W., of Chicago; two granddaughters; one great-grandson and a brother, Halsey, of Sparland, Illinois. Mr. Monier was a past president of the Galva Manx Society. He thoroughly enjoyed the convention in Peoria in 1948 and assisted in planning the Galva night programme.

CLEVELAND GOLD MEDAL

The Cleveland Gold Medal, highest award for soloists at the Manx Music Festival held in Douglas each spring, was won this year by Allan Wilcocks, bass, of Douglas. This is the third time Mr. Wilcocks has won the medal. A gift of the Manx people of Cleveland, the "Cleveland Medal" has been awarded annually for many years and is the most keenly contested prize of the Festival. Chairman and secretary of the Cleveland Medal Committee is Mrs. Fred (Flo) Gorry, 4095 Monticello Blvd., Cleveland Heights 21, Ohio.

The Calf of Man has been developed as a Bird Observatory, with improved scientific facilities and a regular Warden and Assistant Warden, and during 1963 over 40 ornithologists stayed there to carry out field work.

Most of this work can only be carried out because of the continued voluntary support of members of the public. Contributions can be sent to Friends of the Manx Museum or Friends of the Manx National Trust, The Manx Museum and National Trust, Douglas, Isle of Man.

MANX WEDDIN'S

Mrs. Ivy Kathleen Colquitt of Port-Chee Crescent, Douglas, and Mr. John Christian of Vancouver, were married at St. George's Church, Douglas, Isle of Man, on May 14th. Mrs. Colquitt lived in Canada until 1955 and was president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the North American Manx Association, an office which she resigned when she left Toronto for the Isle of Man. She renewed her acquaintanceship with Mr. Christian when he visited the Island with the Homecomers flight from Vancouver.

Douglas W. Burrows was married on Sunday, June 7th., to Miss Kathleen A. Harbaum in Mansfield, Ohio. Douglas is a member of the U.S. army, recently returned from a year's duty in Camp Thule, Greenland. He is the son of the former Florence Kennish, and grandson of Mrs. Margaret E. Abell.

THE LI'L PEOPLE

Born — a first child, son — Anthony Mark — to Mr. and Mrs. A. Privitera, Cleveland, Ohio, on March 26th., 1964. Mrs. Privitera is the former Karen Krach, youngest daughter of N.A.M.A. Financial Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. M. Krach. Baby is great grandchild No. 5 for Mrs. Margaret E. Abell.

Born — on July 29th., 1964, John Roy Kerr. The proud parents are James and Joyce Clucas Kerr. Joyce is the granddaughter of Mrs. Ann K. Clucas, mother of Norman Clucas.

ENGAGEMENT

The betrothal was announced recently of Carolyn Sue Hamilton to John Evan Cannell Jr., son of the senior Cannells of Burbank, Calif.

Miss Hamilton is enrolled at San Fernando Valley State College where John received his B.A. and also his teaching credential. He is working on his M.A. in social studies and history at Los Angeles State College and plans to teach in Los Angeles.

The wedding is to take place at First Baptist Church of Van Nuys on December 18th.

MEMBERSHIP

Do not forget that the fiscal year ended on July 31st. last and that dues for the 1964-65 season were due on August 1st. Your subscription of \$2.00 PER PERSON which entitles you to receive four issues of the N.A.M.A. Bulletin should be sent NOW to:

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