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

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WILL YOU BE THERE?

The next best thing to a visit home to the Isle of Man will be a visit to the N.A.M.A. Convention to be held in Toronto at the King Edward Hotel on July 25th., 26th., 27th. and 28th.

Come and meet your old friends, make new ones and enjoy a "cooish" with Manx folk from all over the North American continent.

Toronto Manx Society will give you a warm welcome.

Plans are almost completed to give you all a wonderful time. Don't forget to bring your children; they will be well looked after with a special Li'l People's committee to see that they enjoy themselves.

See Toronto's new City Hall to be completed in July.

Peep into the past with a visit to Pioneer Village. Enjoy the tranquillity of a peaceful afternoon back in the pages of history.

Enjoy the luxury of the King Edward Hotel and its close proximity to the beautiful shopping centres in Toronto and shop for the famous English chinaware for which Canada is famous.

Make your reservation early. Leave your cares and worries behind and come and enjoy yourselves in Toronto, Canada.

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The Convention Souvenir Book will be published to serve as a guide to Convention events and highlights and as a memento of yet another grand North American Manx gathering to keep for years to come.

You may wish to extend greetings, remember loved ones through a memorial, or include some type of advertisement by subscribing for space in the book. The rates are the same as in previous years — full page \$20.00; half page, \$10.00; fourth page, \$5.00 and eighth page, \$2.50, or you may want to add your name and address to the

Patron's List for \$1.00. For those of you who can't be present at the Convention, this is the best way possible to support our financial effort.

Your subscription will help to make not only the book but the Convention a success. So, let's hear from you. All subscribers will receive a copy of the Souvenir Book.

Your remittance for the space you require together with a copy of the wording you wish to insert (please be careful to print names and addresses clearly) should be sent to:

Mrs. Rita Bateman,
15 Deanvar Avenue,
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DID YOU GET ONE ?

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Mrs. M. Krach,
3356 West 95th. Street,
Cleveland 2, Ohio.

In accordance with a resolution passed at the last convention further issues of the Bulletin cannot be sent to anyone whose dues have not been paid. The high cost (over \$2.00 per year) of printing and mailing the Bulletin has made this ruling necessary.

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MANX WEDDIN'S

Carolyn Sue Hamilton, daughter of the M. L. Hamiltons of Northridge, and John Evan Cannell Jr., son of John Cannell, President of the Los Angeles Manx Society, and Mrs. Cannell, were married recently at First Baptist Church of Van Nuys. Carolyn, a graduate of Cleveland High School, is attending San Fernando Valley State State College from which John received his secondary teaching credentials. He is now studying at California State College at Los Angeles and is a substitute teacher with the Los Angeles City Schools.

Upon their return from Carmel and the San Francisco Bay area the newly-weds will reside in Sherman Oaks.

THE LIL' PEOPLE

Sixth great-grandchild for Mrs. Maud Corlett of Shaker Heights, Ohio. Scott Alan was born February 2, 1965 to Karen and Dennis Patterson of Mentor, Ohio. Karen is daughter of Wilbur and Mary Alice Corlett.

MEMORIES OF TORONTO IN 1929

The following report of the second North American Manx Association Convention held in Toronto in August, 1929 appeared in The Evening Telegram at that time. It makes interesting reading as we are preparing to hold the 33rd. Convention in that same city.

THOUSAND MEET FOR MANXMEN'S INTERNATIONAL

Men From Oldest Parliament Attend Convention — Say Douglas Jail White Elephant

In the ballroom of the Palais Royal decorated with tailless cats and the three-legged coat of arms of the Isle of Man, something like a thousand Manxmen and women assembled for the second international convention of the North American Manx Association.

A. Callow of Toronto, second vice-president of the Association and president of the Toronto club, presided.

Alderman A. Carrick, representing the City of Toronto, extended hearty welcome to the visitors, twenty-five of whom have journeyed from the Isle of Man and a large number from the United States.

The officers of the association for 1929 are: Hon. president, Hon. A. B. Crookall of Douglas, Isle of Man; hon. vice-president, Hon. Richard Cain, of Douglas, Isle of Man; president, J. E. Christian of Cleveland; vice-president, Dr. J. J. Moore of Chicago; second vice, A. Callow, Toronto; recording-secretary-treasurer, A. B. Kelly, Cleveland; corresponding-secretary, Miss G. Bannell of Lakewood, Ohio. (Cannell)

Among the prominent members present was William Quirk, mayor of Douglas, Isle of Man.

Interviewed by The Evening Telegram, Mr. Quirk described the old government of the Isle of Man which still prevails and the town with its agricultural and small industries.

THE TAILLESS CAT

"One of our emblems is the tailless cat, we think it is peculiar to the Isle of Man. How it came to lose its tail nobody has ever decided," he said. "There are, however, many legends in this connection. One is that when Noah introduced the cat into the ark he clipped its tail. Another story is that in its early days the cat was chased by a dog, which finally caught up and snapped off its tail."

Questioned with regard to the policy of the City of Douglas toward Communist meetings, the mayor replied that the municipality had never been disturbed by any event of this sort that required a definite action.

"We have a few labor meetings, but they are nothing out of the ordinary."

Ald. A. B. Crookall, member of the House of Keys, the Manx Legislature, told The Telegram that the City of Douglas had for one of its liabilities a large jail. "It is a white elephant. It costs a great deal of money to maintain the building and we seldom have more than two prisoners a year. Crime is very rare in the Isle of Man."

Ald. Crookall briefly outlined the function of the oldest parliament of the world, that of the Isle of Man. Stating that it dates back to the tenth century and since that time up to the present day has continued to form and execute law for the Government of the island.

CAME FROM MANITOBA

Colonel H. A. Mullins, former member of Parliament of the Dominion Government for Marquette, Manitoba, arrived from Winnipeg to attend the convention. He told The Telegram that the stories that have appeared in the press relative to the drought in Western Canada have been considerably exaggerated.

"I have not seen any ducks and fowl dying of thirst as reported," he said. "The crops in the northern parts of Manitoba are fair, but the rest of the province is dried out. In spite of the losses that farmers will suffer, they will be compensated by the marketing of livestock and there will be no hardship as a consequence of the severe dry weather that we have been experiencing."

CONVENTION WAYS AND MEANS

The chairman of the Convention Ways and Means Committee has already received donations to the Convention fund and also several prizes for the lucky draw and souvenir table.

Further donations and prizes may be forwarded to:

Mrs. Fred. Hall,
176 Curzon Street,
Toronto, Ont.

IN MEMORIAM HENRY C. CHRISTIAN 1904 - 1965

It is with deep sorrow that we report the sudden death of N.A.M.A. President Henry C. Christian at his home, 861 Orchard Park Drive, Rocky River, Ohio on Thursday, January 7, 1965. Henry had no history of heart trouble to forecast this tragedy.

John E. Christian and Isabelle S. Cowell Christian, his parents, were both from Peel. His father will always be remembered as General Chairman of the first International Manx Convention held in Cleveland in August, 1928, where he was elected first president of the newly organized North American Manx Association. Both parents were very active in the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland.

Henry was born in Cleveland, Ohio and attended Oberlin College and Case School of Applied Science. He was president of the J. E. Christian Company of Cleveland, founded by his father in 1915. The construction company — at the time of his death — was engaged in many large projects in the Cleveland area including remodeling in the Hollenden Hotel and building of a local school.

As a very young boy, Henry made his first visit to the Isle of Man with his mother in 1911. He returned again in 1930 and 1962 — both times with the Homecomers' groups. It had been his hope to visit the Isle of Man again soon, possibly this year or next. Being an amateur photographer, Henry was quick to appreciate the beauties of the Island and lost no opportunity to take pictures. Slides from his collection were always in demand at Manx affairs and it was never too much trouble to him to show them.

Vacations took the Christians to many places in the States and Canada. With his pro-Manx attitude, he usually managed time to stop off in his



travels to see someone from the Isle of Man. In 1964, he fulfilled a life-long ambition to go to the Gaspé Peninsula and it was all he'd hoped it would be.

At the N.A.M.A. 1963 Chicago Convention, Henry was elected president. He had been serving as Financial Secretary-Treasurer since August, 1959. Being elected to this new office, Henry was proud to be the first son of a past president to hold the same position, and to be the first American-born president of the N.A.M.A. Many hours were spent planning and promoting the 1965 Convention. He was especially pleased when Toronto agreed to be the host city.

Several Masonic orders enjoyed Henry's loyal support. He was past master of Robert Simpson Lodge No. 713 F&AM, and secretary of the same lodge at the time of his passing. O. N. Steele Lodge had made him an honorary member. Other Masonic affiliations included: Al Sirat Grotto; Holyrood Commandery; Meridian Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star; regular membership in Cleveland Chapter, and honorary membership in Robert Wallace Chapter, of the Royal Arch Ma-

sons. He was duly honored by his fellow Masons by having a large attendance at his Masonic service. Burial was in the Masonic section of Sunset Memorial Park in North Olmsted, Ohio.

Mr. John T. Shimmin, Henry's father-in-law, made his home with Ethel and Henry. He held Henry in very high esteem and often told visiting Manx friends what a wonderful home he had with Ethel and Henry. Invariably he mentioned too that Henry was always so kind to him.

Surviving Henry are his wife, Ethel Shimmin Christian, formerly of Chicago; an aunt, Mrs. Cyril Gurney and an uncle, Phillip Cowell — both of Cleveland. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Ethel, her father, and to Henry's other relatives.

Henry's genial smile and ready handshake will be greatly missed by all his Manx friends. He will always be remembered with affection and respect for his work toward Manx fellowship through the N.A.M.A. and the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland. As a tribute, we shall all work together to make the Toronto 1965 Convention a real success.



In accordance with the N.A.M.A. Constitution, Norman Clucas of Itasca, Illinois, who was elected first vice-president at the 1963 Chicago Convention, assumed leadership of the N.A.M.A. with Henry's passing. To Norman, we pledge our support of the N.A.M.A. and offer him our help to continue the activities of the association. We know that all members share this feeling.



Mrs. Henry Christian wishes to express her sincere thanks for the cards and letters of sympathy received from Manx friends since the passing of her husband, Henry.

"A Daily Prayer"

Give us strength to fight the battle,
Grace to conquer and to win,
Whilst the storms of life roll o'er us,
Give us peace within.
Give us peace from all our sorrows,
Rest from all our inward strife.
Thou above God knows the morrow,
Be Thou then our Guiding Light:
Then the Heavens in Splendour
gleaming,

Answered back the Pilgrims cry,
Jesus Christ, the same forever,
Fear ye not, For He is nigh.

C. Maud Joughin,
Calgary, Alta.

A MESSAGE TO MEMBERS

It was with deep regret that I learned of the passing of our President, Mr. Henry C. Christian, on January 7, 1965. This is indeed a tragic loss for each of us and for the N.A.M.A.

In our many conversations and meetings since the 1963 convention, he expressed his desire that we all get together and do everything in our power to assist the Toronto Convention Committee in making the 1965 convention a success.

With this in mind, I hope that each and every member will join the Committee and plan to be in Toronto for the convention where we will be able to pay tribute to a great Maanman, and furthermore to have the good time that he would wish us to have.

Norman D. Clucas

NEWS OF THE MANX SOCIETIES

TORONTO

As usual the Toronto Manx Society are holding their regular monthly meetings every fourth Friday of the month at the Hall, 1010 Gerard Street East. The meetings are well attended and enthusiasm for the forthcoming N.A.M.A. Convention is building up. After the business meeting during which the president, Mr. Sam Penrice, generally gives the members an account of the progress of the convention executive, the social side is enjoyed. While refreshments are being served by the conveners, Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Mitchell, the meeting winds up with a good old sing-song with Mona Downward at the piano. She plays all the old Manx songs; Ellan Vannin, Ramsey Town, O Land of Our Birth, and it brings back memories that will never be forgotten by those who were born there and those who have had the privilege of going there.

At the November 27th. meeting there was a Bring and Buy Sale which about fifty people attended. With Carl Lettau as auctioneer the bidding was very brisk and the sum of seventy-five dollars was raised. The December meeting was postponed as it fell on Christmas eve. The January meeting was a business and social evening and in February a card and games party night was held. A programme for future meetings is being lined up by the entertainment committee.

Mrs. Buske, treasurer of the Toronto Manx, gave a euchre party on February 15th. which was very successful and plans are being made by other members to hold euchre parties at their homes during the next few months.

F. Williamson,
Secretary.

THE MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY (Cleveland Manx)

The Mona's Relief Society has had a fairly good attendance at the monthly meetings, even though the weather has been bad. The social hour has offered quite an hilarious time.

The April meeting, on the 13th., will be held in the Detroit Avenue Methodist Church on the west side of Cleveland. It is hoped to see many of the west side members.

On May 11th. the meeting, to be held in the East Cleveland Woman's Club, will be a card party for the benefit of the N.A.M.A. Convention in Toronto.

Looking further into the future, the annual picnic will be held on August 14th. at Euclid Beach Park.

VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx Society held their annual banquet on Saturday, February 13th., at the Cambrian Hall. This was to have been held on New Year's day but adverse weather conditions made it necessary to cancel it. Seventy adults and children attended although several members were absent, among them Angus Gillon, the treasurer, who was in northern B.C. on business. Several new members were welcomed, notably a Mr. and Mrs. Allan Dale from Peel.

The banquet turned out to be a very pleasant affair. The community singing was as usual led by Bill Mudie. An orchestra was also in attendance and everyone enjoyed themselves in the dancing.

The retiring secretary, Leslie McDonnell, and Mrs. McDonnell depart from Vancouver February 17th. on board the Oronsay bound for New Zealand via Honolulu and Fiji. All at the banquet wished them both Bon Voyage and a very pleasant vacation.

The election of officers for the coming term was as follows: —

President	John Cannell
Vice-President	Allan Dale
Treasurer	Angus Gillon
Secretary	Douglas James
Committee	Mrs. Motion Mrs. Witston Mr. J. Witston Mrs. Dale Mr. A. Fulton

Douglas A. James,
Secretary.

WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Manx Society had a very successful meeting in January at the home of Mrs. E. Fick when they played Bingo and cards. Over \$20.00 was raised in aid of the Convention and they are hoping to have some more home meetings to try and make their effort for the N.A.M.A. worth while. They hope to be able to send in the money later on.

The next meeting in the form of a social evening was to be held on February 20th. in the N.D.P. Hall.

In spite of really cold weather this winter the Winnipeg Manx still have their usual gang turning out.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Stewart left Winnipeg last month to live in Costa Mesa, California.

Harry Caley,
Secretary.

MONTREAL

1384 Stevens Avenue, Verdun, was a lively place on Friday, December 11th., when through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. T. Kelly, the Montreal Manx held their annual Christmas party. The host and hostess with the assistance of Mrs. Kaneen had suitably decorated the rooms, complete with Christmas tree from which presents were given out. There was a programme of games and competitions followed by community singing accompanied on the piano by Miss Choinière. The party broke up at 2. a.m. with the singing of Auld Lang Syne and Christmas wishes all round.

The January meeting took the form of a social card evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cope, and on February 19th. there was a gathering at the Joughins to meet Sam Penrice and his wife, Hilda, who were on a business trip to Montreal. It was interesting to hear how plans for the convention are coming along in Toronto. They may not have a "fish in a fur coat" to compare with the one in Chicago but they have everything else for your enjoyment and entertainment — so plan now to be there.

J. V. Joughin,
Secretary.

SAN FRANCISCO

The 1964 San Francisco Manx Christmas party was certainly different this year when we provided our own entertainment by making a tape recording. Mr. Sid Dennis brought his tape recorder and all of the members who had friends and relatives on the Island had the opportunity of saying a few words of greeting to them. Manx Radio agreed to broadcast our message. We have since heard that Douglas was the only place that received the broadcast.

Mr. Dennis also took some movies and several members took coloured snapshots. Ridge Craine played Santa Claus and gifts were exchanged. Mr. and Mrs. Chatfield, former members who are now living in Vancouver, joined the party and we also enjoyed having Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Whitaker of Sausalito with us after a long absence. They have been travelling around the world for the past year.

Noreen S. Cottier,
Secretary.

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OUR OWN PEOPLE

Dr. Elliott M. Craine, 837 Mowry Drive, Ashland, Ohio is acting head of the biochemistry department of Hess and Clark at Ashland, Ohio, a division of Richardson-Merrell Inc., where he accepted a position in the fall of 1963. Dr. Craine's outstanding ability has been demonstrated in the field of agricultural chemistry and also in human medicine research. He is a native of Galva, Illinois where his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Craine now reside. His grandparents C. Alfred and Sophie (Cottier) Craine will be remembered by many of the older members, their early years were spent in Ramsey and Clugget — Isle of Man.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Quiggin were to celebrate their 50th. Wedding Anniversary on January 15th. at the First Nazarene Church of Phoenix, Arizona.

Miss Eileen Corlett of Los Angeles has her mother visiting her from Ramsey. They spent a few days in San Francisco and were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Callow of Berkeley, and also by Noreen Cottier in the City.

Mrs. Catherine Sarvary of Westlake, Ohio, came to California to spend Christmas with her brother, Henry Cottier, sister, Noreen Cottier, and two cousins, Mrs. Bare and Mrs. Schmidt. While in San Francisco she was welcomed at the January Manx meeting and she and Evelyn Corlett enjoyed their reminiscences of the 1958 Homecoming trip.

Alice Garrett of Rochester, New York, is planning to leave on March 15th. for a trip to Daytona and Palm Beach, then west to visit her brother at Zephyr and also to see friends in Winterhaven. On the return trip she hopes to stop in North Carolina to see her niece.

Mr. Reid Cowell, British Commissioner of the South Pacific Regional Commission, has been home on leave recently from Fiji. He is a son of Mrs. Cowell and the late Mr. T. H. T. Cowell of Ballasalla and was spending about two months on the Island and elsewhere in Britain.

On his journey to Britain Mr. Cowell called at Tahiti, San Francisco, Seattle and New York. While in Seattle Mr. and Mrs. Cowell had a reunion with his Seattle relatives; Mr. and Mrs. James B. Moore, Mrs. Albert Wood (Annie Moore) and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moore.

On his return journey Mr. Cowell will be calling at Pitcairn Island which comes within his jurisdiction. He was on Pitcairn in January and there saw the Bounty bible and a copy of the entry in the Onchan Parish Church register of the marriage of Captain Bligh.

Charles and Pauline Corrin who make a special effort to attend each of their six grandchildren's birthdays in Lexington, Kentucky, recently returned home from one of these events.

The Cannells of Burbank were visited recently by Robert O. and Dorothy Cannell of Benton Harbor, Michigan and their son Tom and daughter Nancy. They came to attend the beautiful wedding of John and Carolyn Cannell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Cannell Sr.

News from the Manx Societies (cont'd. from page 4)

TRIBUTE TO OUR LATE PRESIDENT

There's a comforting thought at the close of the day,
 When we're weary and lonely and sad,
 That sort of grips hold of our old crusty hearts
 And bids them be merry and glad.
 It gets in our souls and it drives out the blues,
 And finally thrills through and through.
 It's just a sweet memory that chants the refrain:
 "We're glad we touched shoulders with you".

(Author unknown)

— Galva Manx Society,

CHICAGO

The Chicago Manx Society had a most pleasant Christmas social evening at the home of Cecil and Emily Kelly on December 11th., 1964. Norman Clucas, president, extended a warm welcome to all who came out in spite of the terrible weather Chicago had been experiencing. It was gratifying to the host and hostess to see so large a crowd. Harold Callister made a clever handsome red Christmas card, two feet square with a greeting to all Manx friends, complete with candles, holly and Manx scenery. He also made a beautiful cheer card which everyone signed to be sent to Mrs. Auty.

There was a short business meeting. Christmas greetings from the World Manx Association were read by the secretary. Pauline Corrin and Edith Ristow were appointed chairman and co-chairman respectively to arrange the annual Spring Dinner — details later.

It was fun to see the guests, old and young, join in all the games and merriment which finally ended in a game of "Swap". Emily Kelly won the attendance prize donated by the Chi-

cago Society. Party refreshments were served by the hostesses, Jean and Emily Kelly. Thanks for the fine co-operation from all who came. It was a delightful evening.

We regret to report the sad loss of one of our members, Mona Wade MacKay, who passed away on January 5th., 1965 in a convalescent home. She was 87 years of age.

It was with a feeling of great sorrow that we learned of the sudden passing of Henry C. Christian, President of the N.A.M.A. To know Henry was to love him. His whole life seems to have been spent in service for his fellow man. He would always find time to help a friend. To his dear wife, the former Ethel Shimmin, who served the Chicago Manx Society faithfully for many years, we extend our sincere heartfelt sympathy. "To live in the hearts of those we love, is not to die". We, in Chicago, are proud that Henry was elected president at the N.A.M.A. Convention in Chicago in 1963.

Emily Kelly,
 Recording Secretary.

A GENEROUS OFFER

Mr. Charles Kissack of 318 W. Palm Lane, Phoenix, Arizona, wonders if there are many Manx families who would like to have some Seville (bitter) oranges to make marmalade. He has three Seville orange trees and has very generously offered to pick, pack and ship the fruit to anyone who is willing to pay the freight charges. He has heavy card-board cartons available which he thinks would hold approximately 60 oranges.

It may now be too late to have the oranges for this year but if anyone interested would contact Mr. Kissack he would be very glad to make arrangements for next year.

The Toronto Manx Society would like to contact all Manx folk in the Toronto area. Anyone with friends or relatives living in or near Toronto is asked to send their names to the Secretary of the Toronto Manx Society —

Mr. Frank Williamson,
 59, Steeles Ave.,
 Willowdale, Ont.

SEE YOU AT THE CONVENTION
 TORONTO JULY 25th, 26th, 27th
 and 28th.

JUNIOR COLUMN

THE MERMAID AND THE APPLE TREE

By Kathleen Killip

A long time ago a fisherman called Juan Caine lived in a thatch house in the Isle of Man, right on the edge of the sea. His thatch was as bright as gold and his walls were as white as the winter snow.

When he wasn't out in his boat he was busy in his fields or his garden where the waves washed up to the tall fuchsia hedge and on stormy days tried to get right in. His pansies and wallflowers and roses grew bright in the sea air. In spring the scent of the apple trees floated out over the water and in autumn they were heavy with shiny red apples.

And whether he was digging the garden, or milking the black cow, or sowing the corn, or cutting the hay, or mending the nets, Juan was always singing because he was as happy as the day was long.

But sad to say there came an end to all this, for one summer Juan got a spell of bad luck at the fishing. Every time he went out to look for the silver herring he came back with an empty boat. And when this happened for a whole summer you may well believe Juan couldn't sing any more.

One moonlight night he went out to smoke a pipe under the apple trees and listen to the whisper of the wind and the talk of the sea, the way he would maybe find out what kind of weather there would be for the next day's fishing, when all of a sudden he heard a voice, very low and quiet.

"Juan, is it yourself that's in?"

"It is. It is. But who's asking for me at this time of the night at all?"

"Don't ask who I am. But come over here and answer my questions", said the voice.

"But I can't see any person."

"Over here. By the fuchsia hedge."

Juan leaned over into the shadows and saw a flash of white and a gleam of gold in the water below.

"I believe well it's the Ben Varrey I'm talking to," he said. His mother had always said when he was a small boy that there was a mermaid living down at the edge of the tide.

"I used to be coming here every day, Juan, to listen to your singing. Indeed there was nothing I liked better. How is it you're never giving us a bit of a song now at all?"

"Well, I'm not feeling much like singing in the times that's in," said Juan, and he began to tell how he went out in the boat every day and couldn't find the herring anywhere.

"Gone off wandering in the seas they are. Nobody knows where to find them... But who am I talking to at all?"

"Never mind that, Juan boy, listen. If I tell you where to find the herring will you promise to sing your songs again?"

"Too true I will. I'll be as happy as the day is long then. But if you can tell me where to find the herring I know you must be the Ben Varrey."

Well the Ben Varrey told Juan her secret and sure enough the next day he came back with his boat full. Later that night he went out into the garden to thank her.

"And is there anything you would fancy from the garden now," he asked her. "A few roses maybe..."

"Well since you mention it, Juan," said the Ben Varrey, "I've often thought I would like to taste an apple from one of your trees. The blossom smells so sweet in spring and then in autumn the apples look all red and shiny like jewels."

"You can have as many as you like," said Juan, and there and then he picked a basket of the best fruit from his trees.

The Ben Varrey liked the apples so much she often came back for them and you can imagine that from that time on Juan was always lucky at the fishing.

One day he decided to give the Ben Varrey an apple tree all for herself, and he planted one by the garden wall, just at the edge of the tide. In spring she could catch the petals of blossom as they floated down and in autumn she could reach up and gather an apple from her own tree.

All this, as I told you, happened long, long ago, and of course Juan's little house is no more to be seen. But the tree he planted is there today, and some people say that on moonlight nights the Ben Varrey still comes and gathers her apples.

WHO'S FOR TORONTO? N.A.M.A. TRIP PROPOSED

Here's something for all members of Manx Societies and the World Manx Association:

The W.M.A. President, Mr H. S. Cain, M.H.K., is inviting those Members interested to contact him with a view to joining in a charter flight to Toronto next July for the North American Manx Association Convention.

Mr. Cain says that the cost of the return air trip over a week or 14 days period will be in the region of £70, but in order to arrange the charter 120 people will be needed to complete the party.

The Convention takes place from July 25th to 28th. Mr. Cain at Eyretton, Quarter Bridge Road, Douglas, will be glad to hear from any members of the W.M.A. and Manx Societies in England who would like to join the trip.

MANX RECIPES

Lemon Curd is not strictly Manx but it is a great favourite there and is used as a filling for sponge cakes or little pastry cases or it can be used as a spread on bread.

Lemon Curd

8 ozs. Sugar

2 Eggs

3 Lemons

4 ozs. Butter or Margarine

Method: Wash and dry the lemons. Grate the rinds, Squeeze the lemons and strain the juice. Place in a double boiler, the butter, sugar, lemon rind and juice. Stir until sugar is dissolved. Allow to cool slightly, then add the beaten eggs and cook slowly, stirring well until the mixture coats the back of the wooden spoon. Pour into jars and cover at once.

INFORMATION WANTED

Messrs. Kelly, Moore, Hanson and Luft, Advocates and Notaries, of Talbot Chambers, 16/18 Athol Street, Douglas, Isle of Man, are anxious to get in touch with the family of Thomas Samuel Harrison for the purpose of settling the small estate of Miss Lizzie Ann Harrison late of Primrose Cottage, St. Mary's Road, Port Erin.

Mr. Thomas Samuel Harrison came to the Province of Quebec about 1917, married a Canadian girl Mabel Burroughs, and it is believed lived in Montreal. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison are both now deceased. There were two sons of this marriage, the elder called Jimmy, but nothing has been heard of them since the death of Mr. Harrison some years ago. If anyone has any information as to their whereabouts would they please write to the advocates at the above address or to the Bulletin editor.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Secretary or the Bulletin Editor if you change your address, otherwise your Bulletin, which is sent second class mail, will be returned to sender.

TORONTO PROGRESS REPORT

The Toronto Convention Committee has been meeting regularly to follow up on activities and for committee chairmen to report back to the general chairman. The committees are progressing well and have practically completed the programme for the entire convention.

Registration cards, raffle tickets etc. will be mailed out to all N.A.M.A. members in the very near future and the Convention Committee is hoping to hear from the various societies as to how they will lend their support.

The Toronto Manx are going all out to make this a very successful convention and they hope you will support their efforts by registering as early as possible. Without your support very little can be accomplished.

Carl Lettau,
Publicity Chairman.

JOURNAL OF THE MANX MUSEUM

The new issue of the Journal of the Manx Museum covers a wide field of Manx studies once again and members would find much of interest in it. The Journal is edited by Mr. A. M. Gubbon and Miss Ann Harrison who writes:

There is a vivid glimpse into the old Manx way of life in Miss Killip's article on spinning and weaving, which re-creates the home industries of the past with many nostalgic anecdotes. This, with an article on one of the old cottage homes of the North, at Jurby, makes our ancestors live again for us.

Our own current work at the Museum is also recorded. The works of two outstanding Manxmen, Bryan Kneale, the eminent modern sculptor and the late Archibald Knox, whose birth centenary fell this year, have been the subject of special exhibitions in the last year and their works, which were greatly admired by visitors, are illustrated in the Journal.

Other topics include the discovery of a Viking sword on Ballabrooie Farm, Gorman, the interesting career of the Ramsey, the first of the modern oil-tankers, built at Ramsey in 1863, just before *Euterpe*, a look at a Manx Museum established in Douglas in 1825, sixty-one years before the official beginnings of the present Museum!, and notes on an embroidered map of the Isle of Man, worked in 1789, which is unique in British embroidery at that date.

We would welcome any new subscribers who might care to write to the Editor at the Manx Museum, Douglas, Isle of Man. The annual subscription is six shillings sterling.

POEMS OF MAN

Mrs. Barbara Cowley whose poems have been published in several recent issues of the Bulletin has just had a collection of her poems printed under the title "Poems of Man".

In his foreword the Bishop of Sodor and Man says: "I believe that your poems will be highly appreciated and give our Manx exiles the right nostalgic feeling of the whole spirit of the Manx countryside, and its long history...".

Copies of "Poems of Man" can be obtained at a cost of 3/6d (50 cents American currency) each plus postage from: —

Mrs. Barbara Cowley,
Thornfield,
Derby Road,
Peel, Isle of Man,
British Isles.

WANTED

I am wondering if any of our NAMA members would have either of the following out of print books that they would be willing to sell to me.

HISTORY OF THE ISLE OF
MAN by A. W. Moore
THE COUNTY BOOKS — THE
ISLE OF MAN by Canon E. H.
Stenning

Or, perhaps someone would know where I might purchase these in the Isle of Man. My husband and I plan to visit the 'lil Isle this Spring and I would appreciate any suggestions anyone might have on where to secure out of print books.

Please write me before sending books.

Mrs. Robert S. Cowin
1223 West Melrose Dr.
Westlake, Ohio 44091

The following is an old "family recipe" which I would like to share with our readers:

"HAPPINESS CAKE"

- 1 cup of Good Thoughts
- 2 cups of Sacrifice
- 3 cups of Forgiveness for others
- 1 cup of Kind Deeds
- 1 cup of Consideration
- 2 cups of Own Faults, well beaten

Mix thoroughly, add tears of joy, sorrow and sympathy; flavor with love and kindly service. Fold in 4 cups prayers, faith and enthusiasm. Spread all into your daily life. Blend well with humor and kindness. Serve with a smile at all times, and it will satisfy the hunger of many people less fortunate than ourselves.

OBITUARIES

BATEMAN, Lee Ann, aged 9 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bateman of Cleveland, Ohio, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bateman of 14317 Bardwell Ave. E., Cleveland, passed away January 24th., 1965. Mr. William Bateman was born in Laxey, Isle of Man, and came to the States in 1913.

BERTSCH, Mona (nee Martin), formerly of Cleveland, died on November 15 at Pompono Beach, Fla. She was the widow of the late Dr. Roy Bertsch, a dentist who practiced in Cleveland Heights for more than fifty years. Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Elsie Young of Port Charlotte, Fla. Of Manx parentage, Mrs. Bertsch was president of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society from 1927 to 1932. Later she served the same Society as secretary-treasurer for many years. Mrs. Bertsch was a cheerful, devoted and enthusiastic worker, and was very popular among the Cleveland Manx.

CASTELL, James E. of Cleveland, Ohio, died on February 14th., 1965. He was the husband of the late Clara, uncle of Esther Hupp and James Castell, and brother of Margaret and Emily of Douglas, Isle of Man. Mr. Castell was a member of the N.A.M.A.

COLLISTER, William H., of 65 Orchard Grove, Painesville, Ohio, passed away on February 17th., 1965. He was a member of the North American Manx Association and also historian for the Mona's Relief Society of Cleveland, Ohio. He was a very loyal Manxman and was president of the Painesville, or North-eastern Society. Mr. Collister was the husband of Elsie K. and the late Eleanor, father of William S. of Rocky River, brother of Mrs. Elsie Bailey of New York City, Mrs. Frances Keig and Mrs. Mona Daugherty of the Isle of Man.

CORKISH, Wilfrid A. of Jackson Heights, New York, died after a brief illness on Jan. 30th. 1965. He was born in Liverpool, England, in 1879 of Manx parentage. Surviving are two daughters, Mona Olive, wife of Charles A. Seelig, M.D. and Marjorie Eleanor, wife of Vernon A. Weinstein M.D. and four grandchildren, all of New York. He is also survived by his brother, George Corkish of Liverpool, England, his brother Sidney Corkish of

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the I.O.M. and three sisters, Mrs. Wm. Corlett, Mrs. Wm. Crye, and Mrs. Thos. Alderson, all residing in the Isle of Man. He and his wife, the late Eleanor Corlett, spent several years in So. Africa. In 1907, they came to the United States of America, where Mr. Corkish was employed by the "All American Cable Co." He retired from that Company in 1940.

He was very interested in Manx people, he was President for five years of the Manx Society of Greater New York, and with his wife — who died in 1960 — attended many N.A.M.A. Conventions, and they also entertained very graciously at their home, many Manx folk visiting U.S.A.

CORLETT, Thomas of Montreal, Quebec, died on February 26th, 1965 in his 76th year. Mr. Corlett was born in Ramsey, Isle of Man, and came to Canada with his mother as a young boy after the loss of his father at sea. He was a very loyal member of the Montreal Manx Society since its beginning. He leaves a daughter Marjorie (Mrs. S. Hearnshaw); a son, Douglas and grandchildren.

FARAGHER, Robert A., aged 70, died at Anna Maria, Florida, where he had spent his winters after retiring from his employment with Iron Fireman. Born in Liverpool, England, he was reared in the Isle of Man and came to the United States when he was 28. He was a member of the North American Manx Association and was a 32nd Degree Mason, belonging to Emmanuel Lodge No. 605 F & A M and the Scottish Rite. In 1922 he married Alice Kermode and she survives him along with two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Thormann and Mrs. Eileen Fabel, and two brothers, James of North Olmsted, Ohio, and Harry of Nashville, Tenn.

FARGHER, Dan. T. aged 76 passed away February 14th., 1965. He is survived by his wife, Jennie Taggart, and four sons, Dale and David of Kewanee, Illinois, Morris of Pekin, Illinois, and Dean of Freeport, Illinois. Mr. Fargher came to Galva area when a young man and had been a farmer all his life. His parents, Henry and Sarah Craine Fargher, two brothers and a sister preceded him in death. Four sisters residing in the Isle of Man also survive.

HUMPHREY, Mrs. George of 2750 Arlington, Lincoln, Nebraska, aged 67, dearly beloved wife of George E. Humphrey and mother of Mrs. Robert Kahm, Lincoln; Mrs. Donald Hatz, Thousand Oak, Calif.; Robert Humphrey and Gerald Humphery of Semi, Calif. Mrs. Humphrey also leaves 9 grandchildren and three brothers, John, Dick and Stanley Crellin. She was born in the Isle of Man and had lived in Lincoln for 36 years.

KELLY, Thomas Fred. aged 56 of 24812 Oak Street, Lomita, Calif. Mr. Kelly, the only son of Mrs. Jennie Kelly, was struck by a hit-run driver as he returned home from visiting friends. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Jennie Kelly, and a sister, Mrs. J. R. Langlois (Eileen), of 1335 Cumberland Ave., San Leandro, Calif.

LOONEY, Robert Henry passed away January 1st., 1965 at his home in Cody, Wyoming, after a short illness. Robert was born in Eyreton, Marown, Isle of Man, in 1871, the son of William Henry Looney and Jane Ann Quayle. He is survived by his wife Catherine Ann, the daughter of John Scarffe and Esther Jane Goldsmith of Barroose, Isle of Man.

Robert and his bride-to-be left the Isle of Man in 1903 to make their fortune in the United States and were married at Tullon, Illinois, on November 7th., 1903. After their marriage they went west to Wyoming to settle up a new country and worked hard to develop it and make it produce. They had a ranch on the South Fork river 15 miles north west of Cody and lived there until 12 years ago when they retired and bought a small place in the town of Cody. The celebration of the Looneys 61st. wedding anniversary in November 1964 was reported in the December Bulletin.

MacKAY, Mona (née Wade) aged 87, passed away on January 5th., 1965. Mrs. MacKay was the wife of the late Andrew C., and the mother of Mona (Mrs. John F. Caspers). She was a member of the Chicago Manx Society.

MOORE, John R. of London, Ontario, died on February 6th., 1965. He is survived by his wife, Mary E. Last, two daughters, Christine (Mrs. Clare Brooks), and Mrs. Patricia Taylor; a son, John Moore, and three sisters, Mrs. Christine Dolge, Mrs. Fred Caven (Dolly), and Miss Hilary Moore. Mr. Moore was born in Douglas, Isle of Man.

NICHOLL, Douglas W., died in Cleveland on January 18. He was the son of Mrs. Minnie Nicholl (nee Callow) and the late Thomas H., and was a brother of Cyril and the late James. Mr. Nicholl and his mother visited the Isle of Man with the Homecoming flight a few years ago.

NICHOLL, John Henry, aged 83, died in Cleveland on January 17. He was the husband of the late Helen, and father of Dorothy and the late Mrs. Helen Bennett, and a brother of Albert Nicholl and Mrs. Clara Corkill. Mr. Nicholl came to Cleveland from the Isle of Man in 1904, and was employed for 35 years in the Republic Structural Iron Works, retiring in 1946. He was a faithful member of the N.A.M.A. and the Mona's Relief Society, well liked for his friendly and pleasant personality.

SAYLE, William H., of 21810 Fairmount Blvd., Cleveland, died on November 19, aged 91. His wife was the late Isabella, and surviving are a son, Leonard; daughter, Mrs. Laverna Browning; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The late Mrs. Mona Marous was another daughter. Mr. Sayle was well known among the Cleveland Manx in his younger days.

SENOGLES, Wm. Sydney, of Douglas, Isle of Man, died suddenly on February 13th. aged 73. Mr. Senogles was in Sydney, Australia, for many years before retiring to the Isle of Man. He was a member of the N.A.M.A.

COMISH, John passed away recently at Creg Mount, Colby, Isle of Man, at the age of 78. Mr. Comish had lived at Colby with his sister, Emily, for over 6 years, going there from Buffalo, New York. He was very active in the Buffalo Manx Society and attended most of the N.A.M.A. Conventions.

BOYDE, William R. of Denton, died on December 12th., 1964 at the age of 69. He had lived in Denton for four years since his retirement as owner and manager of Boyde's Electric Service Co., in Dallas. Mr. Boyde was born in Douglas, Isle of Man. He was a veteran of World War 1, and a member of the American Legion. He is survived by his wife, Neva; two sons, Douglas, and James; a daughter, Mrs. Ernest M. Porter; a stepson, David R. Shane; 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.