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“I THINK WE WILL BE LEAVING THIS HOUSE” A NEWLY FOUND LETTER FROM EDWARD FARAGHER

Letters written by Edward Faragher of Cregneash continue to be found, the one under was found when sorting the Sophia Morrison Papers in the MNHL.¹ It is not clear if Morrison was the intended recipient or not. This letter is a fragment, the page above torn off as it likely contains folklore or other similar material in Faragher’s hand rather than being a scrap of paper used to write on. The letter was written during the period when he was living with his daughter in Port Erin.

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1 I think we will be leaving this house for may
we have kept a lodging house for three years
and are only getting in debt. So Mrs Clague
and the three boys are thinking of selling of
5 and going to Canada. I don’t know what
to do myself I am two old to go away
and yet unable to do any work but
write a bit sometimes I have written
a lot of manx but dr clague have
10 got it all

I must now conclude
and remain sincerely yours

15 Edwd Faragher

Source: Letter (fragment) from Edward Faragher to [?], undated, mnhl, MS 09495, Sophia Morrison Papers, Box 5.

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¹ I am grateful to Wendy Thirkettle, Archivist of the MNHL, for the opportunity to work on the Morrison Papers.