

Manx Notes 519 (2021)

“YOUNG WOMAN FOUND”

(1852)

On Monday evening a young woman was found in this town, who seems unwilling to communicate any knowledge of herself or friends. She appears to be about 20 or 22 years of age; is strong, lusty, and well made; has dark auburn hair and blue eyes; with red mark on right side of neck, and seems to have been in the occupation of a domestic servant. Had on at the time—a coarse straw bonnet, with blue lining and china red and white ribbon; a light blue wrapper dress, open in front, old stays, good Manx flannel petticoat, with old worn-out cotton stockings, and woman’s shoes with irons upon the heels. Her friends may apply at the office of this paper.

“[Local Intelligence] Young Woman Found.” *Mona’s Herald* 14 April 1852: [3]b.

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Besides the interest of the case itself, a valuable description of a Manx woman’s costume in the 1850s.

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