

Manx Notes 691 (2024)

THE PHYNNODDEREE

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[7b] Miss Hunter, in a brief address, emphasised the need for further accommodation at the girls' school. The girls' school, she observed, seemed to be the Cinderella of the educational world, but she tried to tell herself that the period of privation was wholesome discipline, and might be the means of developing in them those qualities of patience, industry and sympathy, and the habit of making the best of a bad job, which made Cinderella worthy of the royal ring, much more than did a dainty foot. At the same time, she longed for the Fairy Godmother that would transform the Traa dy Liooar sprite into a Phynodderee that would solve the problem of playing fields and a garden. (Laughter).

“Eastern District High School Prize Day.” *Mona's Herald* 12 December 1928: 7a–c.

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The fun of the evening then started with the grab bag, presided over by the diligent Mr Joe Rodger and Mr Edwin Killip. Besides providing a goodly sum for the society, it also was the source of much laughter and keen bartering. A beautiful bronze floor lamp, with indirect lighting and two beautiful shades, donated by Mr Robert Gregg, was won as a prize by Miss Lillian Callow, who proclaimed that the phynodderee was with her.

“Los Angeles Manx Society.” *Ramsey Courier* 25 January 1935: 3e.

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The new printing press which is being installed by the *Isle of Man Times* in Douglas, is to be christened on Thursday next by Mr Thos. Cubbon, J.P. It is to be given the name “Phynodderee.”

“The new printing” *Ramsey Courier* 6 December 1935: 4c.

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[3a–b] They had to remember that in time of emergency people consumed as much as four times the normal quantity of bread, because bread was a complete food in itself. He warned the Manx bakers to prepare in time, adding “It is no use asking the Phynodderee to come to your aid if the Buggane is on your doorstep.” (Laughter).

“Emergency Bread Making.” *Mona's Herald* 1 December 1942: 3a–c.

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Mr and Mrs A.V. Kelly, of Revelstoke, British Columbia, have a family with a very fine record of service. A Canadian newspaper states that four sons and one daughter are serving, and another daughter has joined up recently. Sergeant Douglas Kelly, who visited his father's relatives on the Island recently, is serving with the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada: Sergeant Jack Kelly is also serving overseas with the Royal Canadian Air Force, and the others mentioned in the newspaper, which reproduces photographs of the five, are Bombardier Kenneth Kelly, Aircraftwoman Phynoderre Kelly, and Leading Aircraftman Christian Kelly.

“Manx-Canadian's Proud War Record.” *Ramsey Courier* 21 May 1943: 5c.

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“Peel Youth Welfare Sports.” *Peel City Guardian* 13 August 1949: 4a.

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