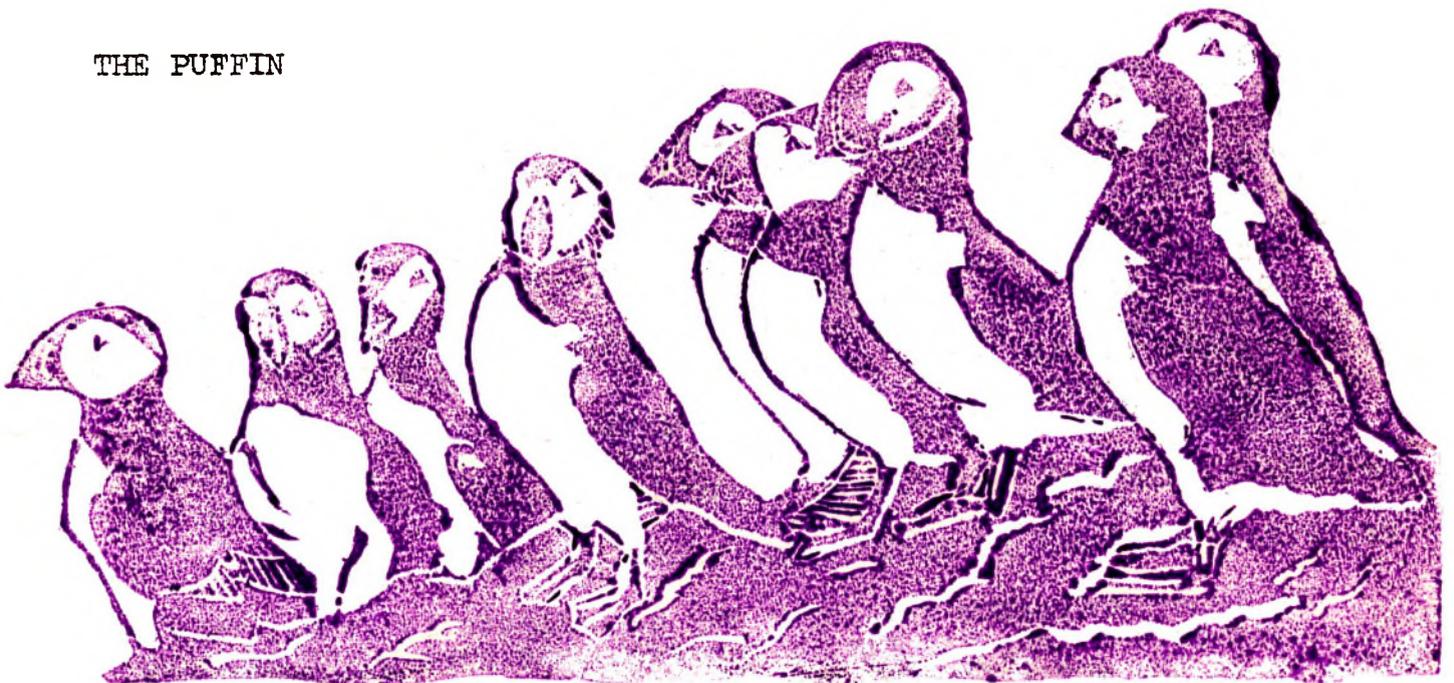


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PHOTOGRAPHS

- 1 Church interior facing altar.
- 2 Church interior looking towards back
- 3 Church exterior.
- 4 Marisco Castle
- 5 Tibbetts House
- 6 Burial Ground showing shadow of Old Light.
- 7 Hotel and Village from top of Church
- 8 Cottages in Village.
- 9 South Light.

- 10 Hospital (remains)
- 11 Quarry Cottages (remains)
- 12 Knight Templar Rock
- 13 Landing Beach
- 14 Devil's Limekiln

- 15 Cow Point
- 16 The Cheeses
- 17 Old Battery (Battery very small)
- 18 Hangman's Hill.
- 19 Remains of Round Tower.
- 20 Shutter Rock
- 21 Needle Rock and Devil's Chimney
- 22 Logan Stone (Stone very small)
- 23 Inside Benson's Cave
- 24 Knoll Pins
- 25 Memorial in V.C. Quarry.
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- 34 Two photographs together showing Devil's Limekiln from the edge.
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- 37 Marisco Castle from South Light steps. Right hand picture (38)
- 38 shows coast road. Centre (37) shows castle at top of cliff.
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For matters of general interest about Lundy a duplicated magazine has been in existence for some time. It is the Lundy Review published about three times a year by Stanley Smith of Lundy. The annual subscription is five shillings. Elsewhere you will find details of the Lundy Field Society.

I would like to welcome two new members:-

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I have been asked to publicise the Spanish Philatelic Congress by including a notice, and I have received notice of an exhibition with a Lundy exhibit in Poland next year.

Yours sincerely,
B.N.D. Chinchon.

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SPAIN ORGANISES THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PHILATELY

Towards the end of March 1960, the FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS of PHILATELY will be held in Barcelona -Spain- and collectors and investigators from all over the world will attend to interchange and discuss papers, projects and ideas referring to the stamp and its manufacture as well as to stamp-collecting in its many facets.

Complementary to this Congress a magnificent International Exposition will be held, conveniently housed in several buildings in Barcelona with an overall floor space of 22,000 square metres. Many important collections will be on display and it will remain open during the days of the Congress.

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MY FIRST VISIT TO LUNDY

When the little black and green ex-fishing vessel "Lundy Gannet" left Bideford Quay on Saturday 18th of July rain was pouring down. Soon this stopped but it was not for some time that we caught the first glimpses of Lundy looming up like a dark cloud through the mist.

This became clearer and clearer until we anchored in the landing cove about a hundred yards from the beach. By this time the sun was shining brightly and all evidence of the bad weather we had experienced at first had disappeared.

A landing stage on gigantic cart-wheels was pushed by the tractor down the grey-pebbled beach into the sea. We were taken off of the Gannet in a smaller boat and were greeted at the landing stage by Mr Gads.

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The beauty of the island impressed me at once. We walked up the coast road surrounded by wild flowers and bracken, along the wooded valley, past Millcombe House and through an arched gateway to the hotel. Mr Gade introduced me to Mrs. Brodribb who manages the hotel. She was a most Charming and helpful person.

As is stated in one of the island's publications "The Manor Farm Hotel is a simple unpretentious place, but the food is good and ample and the beds are comfortable."

That morning a number of us gathered in the village "street" and watched a veterinary surgeon test the herd of black Galloway cattle. The ingenuity of the islanders was demonstrated by the contraption they had made to hold the cattle still during the operations.

In the afternoon I decided to walk to North Light, and as tea was at four thirty I took the main track which is the quickest route. This passes the airfield, and beyond quarter wall follows a line of granite pillars past Tibbett's House and the wreck of the German Aircraft. Beyond threequarter wall the grassland scenery changes to bare granite patched with brightly coloured lichens and scorched clumps of heather. The island grows narrower and just as it seems to end there is a flight of steps leading down the northern slopes which in July were still covered with sea pinks.

North Light stands on the most northerly tip of the island, but there is a path leading round in front of this. Another path at the bottom of the steps leads to more steps going right down to the sea, the Trinity House landing place for North Light. From here I could see a great cavern at the tip of the island, and to my right kittewake gully echoing with the cries of seabirds which seemed quite unperturbed at my presence.

I was told that Saturday evening in the Tavern was a special occasion. Nearly everyone on the island crowds in and a fine time is had by all. That evening a French fishing vessel was nearby and the captain and crew came ashore and entertained us. Captain Albert sang songs and in the end we all sang the French national anthem. This would probably have astounded the fishery protection authorities as the Frenchmen had just been fined for fishing within British Territorial waters. The best part of the evening was when Arthur, one of the islanders (I never found out his surname) sang some Lundy songs which he had composed himself. The ones we heard were "Marisco" and "We're building a concrete mountain to hold up the Old Coast Road." They were very amusing and clever.

I must say something about the photographs I took. There are none taken beyond threequarter wall because the Stores ran out of 120 film before I could take any there. The first nine on the list are the best but the others are not bad.

One afternoon Mr Gade showed me his collection of covers which had been sent to Lundy from all over the world. There was even a SHUNN first day cover sent there. He said that there will be no new issue of stamps at the moment, and that he does not want any more catchpenny ones like those of the wartime unnecessarily surcharged stamps which gave the island such a bad name.

During my visit the water situation was rather desperate because rainfall is the only source. The reservoir was nearly empty and several of the ponds were completely dry. I was surprised to find electricity on the island. It is supplied by a 110 volt petrol driven generator.

The animal life on the island must be mentioned. Birds were not predominant it was the wrong time of the year for them, and no Puffins were seen, but it was possible to get very close to the sheep, Soays, Ponies, Deer and Goats. The seals were friendly and performed, at a safe distance in the sea. Their eerie noises could be heard all round the coast.

There is so much more I could write. I have not mentioned the lighthouse men, Field Society Members at Old Light, and the other friends I made, but I hope this will give you some idea of what the island is like.

B.N.D.Chinchen.