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## Manawydan Son of Llŷr

When the seven men we spoke of had buried the head of Bendigeidfran in the White Mount in London, with its face towards France, Manawydan looked upon the town, in London, and on his companions, and heaved a great sigh, and felt much grief and longing within him. 'Alas, Almighty God, woe is me,' said he, 'there is none save me without a place for him this night.' 'Lord,' said Pryderi, 'be not so unhappy. Thy cousin is king in the Island of the Mighty, and though he has done thee wrong, thou hast never been a claimant for land and territory. Thou art one of the Three Ungrasping Chieftains.' 'Aye,' said he, 'yet though that man be my cousin, it saddens me to see any one in the place of Bendigeidfran my brother, and I cannot be happy in the same house with him.' 'Wilt thou follow a different counsel?' asked Pryderi. 'I had need of counsel,' said he, 'and what counsel is that?' 'The seven cantrefs of Dyfed were left to me,' said Pryderi, 'and Rhiannon, my mother, is there. I will bestow her upon thee, and authority over the seven cantrefs with her. And though thou hadst no territory save those seven cantrefs, there are not seven cantrefs better than they. My wife is Cigfa daughter of Gwyn Gloyw,' said he, 'and though the territory is mine in name, let the enjoyment thereof be thine and Rhiannon's; and hadst thou ever desired territory, maybe thou mightest have that.' 'I desire none, chieftain,' said he; 'God repay thee thy friendship.' 'The best friendship I can show shall be thine if thou wilt have it.' 'I will, friend,' said he; 'God repay thee. And I will go with thee to see Rhiannon and to look on the territory.' 'Thou dost well,' he answered. 'I believe thou didst never listen to a lady of better converse than she. What time she was in her heyday, no lady was more comely than she; and even now thou shalt not be ill-pleased with her looks.'

They went on their way, and however long they were upon the road they came to Dyfed. A feast was prepared for them against their coming, at Arberth, and Rhiannon and Cigfa had



## Manawydan uab Llyr

Guedy daruot y'r seithwyr a dywedyssam ni uchot cladu penn Bendigeiduran yn y Gwynuryn yn Llundein a'y wyneb ar Freinc, edrych a wnaeth Manauydan ar y dref yn Llundein ac ar y gedymdeithon a dodi ucheneit uawr a chymryt diruawr alar a hiraeth yndaw.

"Oy a Duw Hollgyuoethawc, gwae ui!" heb ef. "Nyt

oes neb heb le idaw heno namyn mi."

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"Arglwyd," heb y Pryderi, "na uit kyn drymhet genhyt a hynny. Dy geuynderw yssyd urenhin yn Ynys y Kedyrn a chyn gwnel gameu it," heb ef, "ny buost hawlwr tir a dayar eiryoet - trydyd lledyf unben wyt."

"Ie," heb ef, "kyt boet keuynderw ymi y gwr hwnnw, goathrist yw genhyf i guelet neb yn lle Bendigeiduran uy mrawt, ac ny allaf uot yn llawen yn un ty ac ef."

"A wney ditheu gynghor arall?" heb y Pryderi.

"Reit oed im wrth gynghor," heb ef, "a pha gynghor yw hwnnw?"

"Seith cantref Dyuet yr edewit ymi," heb y Pryderi, "a Riannon uy mam yssyd yno. Mi a rodaf it honno a medyant y seith cantref genthi. A chyn ny bei itti o gyuoeth namyn y seith cantref hynny, nyt oes seith cantref well noc wy. Kicua uerch Wyn Gloyw yw uy gwreic inheu," heb ef. "A chyn bo enwedigaeth y kyuoeth ymi bit y mwynant yti a Riannon. A phei mynhut gyuoeth eiryoet, aduyd y caffut ti hwnnw."

"Na uynhaf, unben," heb ef, "Duw a dalo it dy gydymdeithas."

"E gedymdeithas oreu a allwyf i yti y byd, os mynny."

"Mynnaf, eneit," heb ef, "Duw a dalo it. A mi a af gyt a thi y edrych Riannon ac y edrych y kyuoeth."

"Iawn a wney," heb ynteu. "Mi a debygaf na werendeweist eiryoet ar ymdidanwreic well no hi. Er amser y bu hitheu yn y dewred ny bu wreic delediwach no hi ac etwa ny bydy anuodlawn y phryt." Vynt a