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EDWARD SWIFT ISHAM

born 1836, died 1902 in NYC

His father was Judge Pierrepont Isham, b.1802, d.1872, m. Semanthe Swift in 1832, who was recorded as “a jurist of brilliant reputation and the most strict integrity” in Vermont.

He married Frances Burch, daughter of Hon. Thomas and Eliza F. Burch, In 1894.

1857 - Graduated from Williams College, being salutatorian for his class, member of Phi Beta Kappa and studied at Harvard Law School.

1858 - Admitted to the Bar of Vermont and the Illinois Bar.

1889 - Established the law firm of **Isham Lincoln and Beale** in Chicago, Illinois with Robert Todd Lincoln, son of President Abraham Lincoln -1861 to 1865 when shot by Booth - and William G. Beale, which became one of the most famous law firms in America.

However, after merging with Rueben and Proctor in 1986 the practice closed in 1988.

Edward Swift Isham was a resident of Chicago throughout his active life which was notable for a professional career of high intellectual and moral qualities.

If he had not been a great lawyer he could have been a great historian.

A member of many clubs and University of New York, maintained the country residence of Ormsby Hill, at Manchester, Vt. He was a Congregationalist and his wife a Presbyterian.

Children:- Ann Elizabeth Isham, b.1862, drowned on “Titanic” in 1912 (see no.31z-A).

Pierrepont Isham, b. 1865, m. Lois Kellogg, d. 19??

Edward Swift Isham Jr. b.1868, m. Laura Miller, d.19??

Frances (Isham) Shelton, b. in Berlin 1872, m. Henry T. Shelton in 1907, d. 19??

CHARLES BRADLEY ISHAM

b.1853, d.1919 in NYC.

His father was William Bradley Isham b.1827, d.1909, m. Julia Burhans in 1852; whose name is preserved in **Isham Park, Manhattan Island**, given to NYC by his daughter;

he is a close relative of Edward Swift Isham (above) and also was a lawyer;

he married in London Mary Harlan Lincoln, daughter of Robert Todd Lincoln (see above), a partner in the Isham law firm of Chicago and son of President Abraham Lincoln.

Graduated in Law at Harvard in 1876.

Degree in Roman Law from University of Berlin in 1878.

Studied at the Law School of Columbia University in New York.

Admitted to the Bar in 1881.

Librarian of the New York Historical Society in 1888-92.

Secretary to the American Legation in London in 1889-90.

Undertook valuable work for various Patriotic Societies.

In his later years he enjoyed reading in Greek, Latin, French and German as a scholar.

Succeeded by his son Lincoln Isham, b.1892, d.19??, m. Leahalma Correa in 19??;

his summer residence was the historic Kent Tavern at Dorset, Vermont. He had no children.

RICHARD LEONARD VERE ISHAM

born 1958 in Rome.

His father is Sir Norman Isham, Bart. OBE, B.Arch., b.1930, and mother is Joan Elizabeth Genet, b.1931.

He was educated at Lancing College, England; awarded LLB Hons. at Exeter University, England; graduated at Guildford Law School, England; undertook Legal Aid work; worked in New York 1987-88;

he is also a lawyer, living in London and has two sons – Angus and Charles

joined Wedlake Bell LLP law firm 1988 at 52 Bedford Row, London; appointed a Partner in 1996.