

THE ANGLO-AMERICAN ISHAM ANCESTRY ASSOCIATION

CAPT. HENRY ISHAM

ARRIVED BY SHIP FROM ENGLAND IN c.1650
TO JOIN THE BERMUDA HUNDRED, FOUNDED IN 1613.

HENRY ISHAM MARRIED KATHERINE BANKS ROYALL,
WIDOW OF JOSEPH ROYALL OF DOGHAM FARM, VIRGINIA.

THEIR SON, HENRY, DIED AT SEA ON VOYAGE FROM ENGLAND.
THEIR DAUGHTER, ANNE, MARRIED FRANCIS EPPES III.
THEIR DAUGHTER, MARY, MARRIED WILLIAM RANDOLPH AND
BECAME GREAT-GRANDMOTHER TO PRESIDENT THOMAS JEFFERSON.

"DOGHAM" FARM near CHARLES CITY

SITUATED NEAR THE JAMES RIVER BETWEEN RICHMOND AND WILLIAMSBURG
NOT FAR FROM THE BERMUDA HUNDRED



VIRGINIA - USA

A SHORT HISTORY OF DOGHAM FARM

The first owner, **Joseph Royall**, b. 1600 in London,
left England on the "Charitie" and arrived in Jamestown in July 1622.

In about 1645 Joseph Royall married **Katherine Banks**, whose father was from Canterbury, England. Joseph Royall received 300 acres of land at Charles City in 1637 which, eventually, grew into 1,100 acres. Historically the name has been as d'Augham, Doggam, Doggams and Dogham, but is today **Dogham Farm**. According to Royall tradition the name is associated with the family's pre-Conquest origins in Normandy, France. Genealogists and linguists speculate that **Pays d'Auge** (the Auge Country) is likely to be the Norman region in question, owing to the d'Aug... in the original name as above.

Sometime after the death of Joseph Royall in 1654 Katherine married **Capt. Henry Isham** of Bermuda Hundred. The property remained in the Royall family until 1929 when distant cousins, the **Harrisons**, who were both Isham descendants, purchased it and now their grandchildren, the **Mitchells**, are the current owners.

Because of the marriages of Katherine Banks to Joseph Royall and Henry Isham, Dogham Farm has been owned continuously by her descendants making the **Mitchell** family the **12th and 13th generations** to call it their home.

"The families that acquired and resided at Dogham Farm, including Joseph Royall, his wife Katherine Banks and her second husband Henry Isham, helped to transform Virginia from a collection of straggling settlements into a prosperous colony.

"The Royalls and the Ishams, along with other families, also assumed social and governmental roles in the 1650's and so foreshadowed the establishment of a Virginian 'tidewater aristocracy'".

The lands of Dogham Farm extend between the VA State 5 Highway and the banks of the James River.