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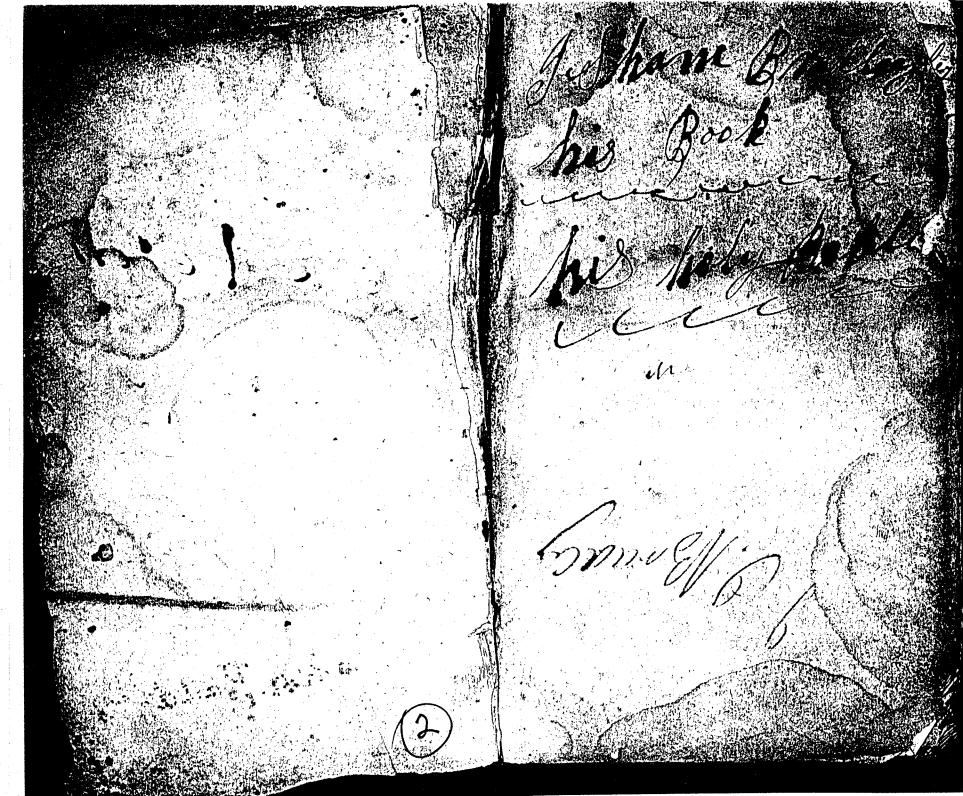
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 The following is a brief history and transcription of the written entries in the family bible of Isham Bradley. The author of this paper is James L. Bradley, Isham's 2nd great-grandson.

According to the cover page of the bible it was printed and sold in 1826. An entry in the back cover of the bible states "Isham Bradley his Book July 6, 1827".

The exact history of who possessed the bible through the years is unknown, however part of that history can be traced:

- Elizabeth Catherine Bradley "Bettie" was born April 19.1849. She was the daughter of Isham Bradley and Mildred Presha (Williams) Bradley. Bettie Married Lewis Adkins on December 23, 1875. Bettie must have taken possession of the bible after the death of her parents and siblings.
- Elizabeth Catherine Adkins born about 1891 was the daughter of Bettie and Lewis Adkins. She married William H. Mays June 20, 1905. The bible stayed in this family until it was passed to their daughter Georgia Ann Mays.
- Georgia Ann Mays gave the bible to Janie (Woodson) Crosby.
- I, James L. Bradley, while doing genealogy research in the Clerk's Office for Pittsylvania County in Chatham, VA had a chance meeting with Janie. During a conversation about our genealogical research Janie asked if I had an Isham Bradley in my family. I replied that he was my 2nd greatgrandfather and Janie stated that she had Isham's bible. I later requested in a letter to Janie that she give me the bible. On Wednesday October 12, 1997 at her home in Gretna, VA, Janie graciously presented me with the bible. It is a treasure that I will cherish as long as I live. After a 170 years, Isham Bradley Bible is home again in the Bradley family.

The following is a transcription of the written entries of Isham bible page-by-page:

- 1. Inside the front cover, "William Thomas Bradley was born March the 30, 1843 his mother's hand and pen. Isham Bradley Presha M. Bradley".
- 2. "Isham Bradley his Book his holy Bible".
- 3. The Property of "Isham Bradley".
- 4. "Sarah Ann Bradley was Born December the 9, 1841".
 - "William Thomas Bradley was bornd March the 30, 1843".
 - "Robert Henry Bradley was bornd June the 25, 1844".
 - "Martha Taylor Bradley was bornd August 13, 1847".
- 5. "Elizabeth Catherine Bradley was bornd April the 19, 1849".
 "John Waide Bradley was bornd June the 14, 1851".
- 6. The following is from three loose pages in the bible:
 - "Presha Mildred Williamswas born June 13th 1819"
 - "Missouri Jane Bradley was Born June the 9th 1858"
 - "Mary Francis Bradley was Born May the 22th 1854"

- "Presha Mildred Williams was born June the 13, 1819 her hand and pen".
- "Sarah Ann Bradley was Born December the 9, 1841 and departed this life September the 22, 1887 in her 40.6 year" (40.6 is in error).
- "Robert Henry Bradley was born June the 25, 1844 And departed this life August the 26th 1883 Age 30.9 years" (30.9 years is in error).
- 7. "William Bradley Departed this life March the 17th 1837"
 - "Sarah Bradley his wife Departed this life July the 15, 1838"
 "Isham Bradley and Pressha M. Bradley was married January the 28, 1841"
 - "Isham Bradley Departed this life September the 10th 1874".
- 8. On the inside of the back cover "Isham Bradley his Book July 6th 1827".