

**200 “EDWARDESES” ARE AFTER £50,000,000**

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**CAERPHILLY MAN CLAIMS SOLE OWNERSHIP**

It was a case of “standing room only” at the Lesser Miners’ Hall, Merthyr, on Saturday, when 200 members of the “Edwards family,” claimants to a £50,000,000 fortune, held a council of war.

All those present were de-scoped by Mr. William Edwards, a small, middle-aged man of a dignified air, an 18th century Stone Mason, who, they claim, owned the ground upon which New York is built and “land between Merthyr and Cardiff.”

Saturday’s meeting was concerned only with their claims in South Wales.

Members of the family came from as far afield as Bristol to attend.

Mr. John Harris, Crumlin, presided.

“This was not the first time the claimants had met. Every year had been made for many years to discover something which would give them the right to vast New York property. Recently, during their researches, they discovered documents which would, they believe, establish the claim. These documents extend from Moriah Castle, near Merthyr, to Cardiff Castle, in a belt 15 miles wide, on the left side of the River Taff.”

There are, among the manuscript, mining leases, extracting from the mineral rights, tolls, etc., on one hand. The family is divided into

EdWARDS said also that his son, Mr. John Edwards, from Taff Street, Merthyr Vale, said his family had in their possession documents which would be of great importance. He had known nothing about the matter, he said, until he saw reports in the Press recently.

DETAI LS WOULD BE GIFTED.

The chairman said that the meeting was not in any way concerned with the legal aspects of the case. All details provided would be sifted by solicitors.

The meeting decided to take steps to recover certain papers from the National Archives, but he was not a member of the family which, he thought, were of great importance, and he wished to recover their inheritance.

They also agreed that another meeting would be held, and that Mr. Harris stated his willingness to hand over, documents should have but never been so many people interested in a successful result.

**EDWARDS MILLIONAIRES**

*CONFERENCE AGAIN*

SUNDAY 21 APRIL 1950

**LEGAL ADVISERS SAY EVIDENCE IS NOT YET SUFFICIENT**

*A Press Release*

This Notice, issuing 4th. by the firm of solicitors, the Conyngham Law Firm, on Saturday, when 300 claimants to the “Edwards Millions” held yet another meeting.

The firm, stating that a mass of documents which had been discovered by the solicitors was not sufficient to establish the claimants’ title, delivered the documents to the Board of Trade and the Department of the Interior.

Delivered in a trunk, the documents included land and birth certificates which had been gathered from various parts of South Wales, together with genealogical charts, and letters yellowed with age.

**Dau doraid papur neuwydd yn dyddiol o 1949 a 1950 yn ymeunwed y chyfarfodydd yr Edwardsiaid yn yr Cymru.**