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The main character in the book, Edgar Andrew, wrote to his girlfriend: “Josey, I’m embarking on the biggest steamship in the world, but I don’t feel any pride, because at this moment I wish the Titanic were lying at the bottom of the ocean...”.

In his “A Suitcase from the Titanic” author Enrique Dick takes us into a whirlwind of family history beginning with Samuel and Annie Andrew who arrive from Whitby, Yorkshire, England, to the vast pampas of Argentina, towards the end of the Nineteenth century.

There the Andrew family prospers and grows. Silvano “Alfredo”, Isabel, Wilfred, Ethel, Hilda, William and Edgar are born and raised and eventually all of them will have their share of love, adventure and tragedy.

Told by Enrique Dick, this book is based entirely on his family’s real life events; from the trials and tribulations that living in Argentina brings, to the journeys that the Andrew children have around the world. This book centres mainly around the tragedy of losing his relative Edgar Andrew on the Titanic.

Armed with the extraordinary occurrence of retrieving Edgar’s small suitcase and its contents from the Titanic, Enrique Dick embarked on a journey of discovery into his maternal family history.

The book not only uncovers family secrets and historical facts, but also opens a window into lives that impacted history as it was being created.
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The present book “A Suitcase from the Titanic” was first published in Spanish in 2002 and also became very successful. WIT Press is delighted to offer this fascinating story now in English.


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