

Brown Cecil	Head	M.Cl.	42	Farmer	Mixed Farm.
Campbell Rebecca	W.	F.Cl	22	3.3.	
Brown Gena	Dau.	F.S.	6		
" Cynthis	"	F.S.	5		
" Gloria	"	F.S.	2		
Carter Mary Jane	Moth.in L.aw	F.S.	45	Family Helper	Son-in-law Home.
Facey Ivan	Brother in law	M.S.	20	Labourer	Banana farm.

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Cecil Brown was sitting in his cane-field where labourers were engaged in cutting cane. One of the labourers was Berris Campbell.

Cecil Brown is the son of the old Ezekiel /Cum/Brown /Cousin Brown/ He had one brother, but he died. Israel Dixon is his "next brother" from a different mother.

Of the 10 acres of ~~land~~ his father's land Cecil Brown has 3 acres. " We bought one and half acre from John Dixon". /Not clear whether this is included in the 10 acres. /The Browns farm is all in one piece.

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On one stretch of good land there might be as much as 30 banana roots. They all might bear. The price in Worsop is 6/10 a bunch. In Balaclava 7/ - 2d. for transport/. If the bunch is rejected "for poorness and short fingers" it is still valuable as food. Bananas pay better than cane. But "when breeze blow banana roots - cane standing".

Mr. Cecil Brown pays his hired labour 2/6 a day. He "deal with sympathy". He himself does not work because he is ill since the first week of January. It is in his "belly" It is "Science business" He is making well on his farm and bought land so some people were jealous and wanted kill him. It started with a pain in his shoulder and his thigh and then boil formed on the lower part of his belly. He showed it to me. He went to the science man /Brother Howard ?/ He helped him but did not cure him. It cost him " a lot of money - £30 I asked : "30 shillings?" "No 30 pounds" Mr. Brown is reluctant as to go to the doctor. The science man tried, - it is science. He said he will go to see the doctor on Friday, but does not seem very sure about it. "Them put science" and it seems a doctor cant help it.

On good soil from 1 stretch 20 tins of sugar could be obtained, on bad soil - one tin. He gets 16 sh. for a hundredweight / 116 lbs/ of yam.

$\frac{3}{4}$  of a stretch - when the cane is scarce and grass light could be cut in one day by one man. 4 donkey-loads make one barrel of liquor which equal to one tin of sugar.



P.D. 28. Sb. 10. Household ~~NR~~ 72.

Brown Ezekiel            Head            M.S.70.            Farmer            Mixed farm

Second visit

17.IV.47.

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/Account of the  
first visit inGen.Interv. Walk through  
the Village/.

We met Mr. Brown busy in his sugar cane field ~~attax~~  
~~attax~~ ~~attax~~ attaching the hill on which his house  
stands and ~~where~~ where his fruit-trees grow. He was little  
inclined to a ~~longer talk.~~ longer talk. I a short conversation I learned  
following details.

Cousin Brown /which is his nickname/ was never  
married. He has sons. One of them lives near-by and  
owns a house and a farm. Cousin Brown lives alone in  
his farm. The grass-buildings in the yard look old and  
desolate. He is the owner of 10 acres of land alto-  
gether, all in one piece - around his farm-garden  
and down to the Copper River.

The land he owns was bought years ago - in 1884  
or 1894. It was bought by his father. At that time  
the price paid for the land was ab. \$2, may be some-  
what less. At first he mentioned a figure in shill-  
ings, but I missed to grasp it. It was either 30 or  
40. He said this land now is much dearer. It would  
cost at least \$5 or \$6. But the land with cultiva-  
tions or trees planted on it will be more expensive.  
As a probable guess he gave a figure of \$10 and admi-  
tted - after my protest - that it might be even  
\$20.

He added that he ~~was~~ either bought from somebody  
on the road or owns there a piece of land.

Cousin Brown was very proud of his farm. He boasted  
that all the trees on his land were planted by him.  
He seemed to enjoy greatly the seize of his farm: "All  
this land, all this hill down to the river is mine.  
~~Thaxsugxxxxnaxhaxxxxxx~~ All this is mine, sir."

Cecil Brown & Rebecca Campbell

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Rebecca Campbell's mother is Mary Jane Carter who is sister to Johnie Carter, she lives on New Road. (Note that the portion of land allotted to Mary Carter by Johnie Carter at a small rental is occupied by Luther Shaw her nephew, Rebecca does not live on the Carter Land.) Her father Amos Campbell, also from Warsop is dead. /.

help

Superstition : Cecil seemed quite eager to talk about his misfortunes. Story. " One night I come in after work - me one sleep pon the little sofa out a hall ya - when i' run part o' the night, I feel a cold somethin' right under me, an' when I look I find a penny copper, an' the Wednesday morning a start out to work an' as it touch 4 o'clock it start sto pain me, an' some a them aff walk wit' me come up an jus' like you chove a needle in a it. The Thursday I was in the house to myself an' the swelling start i' hard jus like a concrete. The Friday them say me should a go a Doctor but me go a the Bush Man Doctor an' him help me with it. Him gi' me lotion and poltice an ecough an' everyt'in start pon me an in the course of 14 day it break. It cos me £14, me pay him little little an me still owe him but him see wit me because me give him the greater portion. Anyway life save , me know Doctor /couldn' /~~help~~/ me this time because is a kind of Science Dr. me go to. Me and somebody have quarrell some time now and a him do i'. In December I was pushing the fire unde the copper an somethin jus rush pass me an afterward I jus hear it a go way ina the cane piece an the man beside me hear it too. Night time when the dog in a the yard there is no piece for him. If I didn' fight fe myself I would never be living. / I de ya ma I wouldn' too bad but nagar set han' fe me. Me han' draw up an I de ya 8 months couldn' work, I aff partly sell out me yam hill. Me fight hard ma but the people them watch me, them say me musn' come out good, them set mongoose in a kitchen pon me. Me pay £11 fe me cow and me hve i' fe about 4 months an' all me get is lld fe the skin".

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Land: Cecil bought 1 1/2 acres of land from his father, /but he had the land in possession long before he bought it. He bought the 1 1/2 acres from John Dixon ~~£/30/6/4/1/4/6/6~~ for £30 " by the time I done with it, it may cos' me £40, I did have a cow an' I sell it to purchase the land from him. The first payment was August last year an' me pay him down £9 , an me tel him that when September crop come in the other year me would give him the balance , but me never get the money. Him tell me bout Queen Land Loan bank, an him carry me to the bank an say ~~he would /get /the /money /to /borrow /there~~ because him is a share holder, - his say him would get me / in the bank, an' the bank would lend me the money fe pay fe the lan' an' then me would owe them the money an' not him - so them len' me £15. When me get the £15, them draw out 51/6. 40/- fe share and 11/6 fe join. So me really owe him £4.10. an me have to pay 5/ int. on the £15. Tuesday me send 30/- to the bank so me owe them £10., an me always try an pay the int. regular so that it no run up." He gave the bank 2 acres of land ~~for~~ security. If Cecil only deducted 51/6 from the £15 he would only owe J.D. that amount, he probably used some of the money for other purposes, or perhaps the bank took out more than the amount stated by him. It seem as if he made other payments away from the int. on the £15 other wise he would owe the bank £13.10. instead of £10.

Crops: Plant cane and yam. The cane has been planted for about 10 years. "Banana dead out?"



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Cecil Brown and Rebecca CampbellCane

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"It is no crop at all but as we have the two pickney them when hungrey come them we eat i'. sometime we make a quattle but we have all kind a inconvenience, the man with him mule, an mill, an boiling house no feel it so hard because him no have no expense. Me pay 1/- a barrell fe boiling, 1/4 fe draw, sometime me ha' to hire somebody to ~~draw~~ the cane to the mill 'bout a 6d, sometime you has to pay 1/- or 1/6 according to the journey. The man who boil charge 9d."

Yams: "I usual go to Kingston with my yams, from the time me a plant grung is the first me sell right down here. Sometime I get 16/- sometime up to 21/- a cwt. when I use to go but now it dearer. Right now I sell here fe £1.

Ginger: "Only a little ginger, I plant plenty last year but as me did sick i' hard fe work me have to pay 12/- a stretch to plough the lan' an me gi' them food mid day".

Children: (Names on page 1) Only two children - Gena and Cynthia are going to school. Cynthia was not at School today Rebecca stopped her so that she would be able to help her with the baby. All the smaller ones were at home eating cane. "When the hungry time come on only the cane can help the pickney them".

Debts Cecil owes the bank £10, Dixon £4.10. and for sickness £4. total: £18.10:-