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Reynolds Henreta	Head	F.S.	43.	5.4.	St.El.	Black	Angl.	Ill.	Homemaker
Dyer Ernest	Son	M.S.	22.		"	"	"	"	Labourer
Powell Percival	"	M.S.	19.		"	"	"	"	Farm-labour
Esmilda Powell	Dau.	F.S.	9.		"	"	"	W.I.	2E.

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2 acres? 2 1/2 acres.

Interview with Powell Percival.
8.1.48.
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Powell Percival
- tomato grower.

Powell Percival joined me when I was ~~amagadbutxxx~~ talking with Clarence Perkins on his tomato field. We went together towards tomato shed in Thatch Walk.

Percival does not work in the factory. He is a cultivator - works for himself. On our way towards the other end of Thatch Walk he stopped at a tomato field: ~~andx~~ this is his tomato garden. The garden looked nice and well kept. He planted it by himself. There is about ~~2x~~ 2000 tomato plants on it, which are staked already. Other will be staked soon. And he expects to plant some ~~ranxx~~ trees as soon as the rain will make it possible. He can reach as ~~mx~~ much as 4000 plants this season, if only rain will come in due time.

~~His familyx~~

The shed on the field is not a tomato shed. It is the house in building. An old lady we met the other day /I dont remember her/ will come to live here when the house will be ready. /May be, this is Henreta Brooks, whom we visited on 7.1./.

His family.

His name is Percival ~~xxxx~~ Powell. Do I know George Powell - the old man? This is his father. He is his last son. So he is David Powell's brother and Vincent Powell's uncle. He is of course younger than Vincent Powell and much younger than David Powell. He is only 22.

His father - George Powell - was a very rich man. He had about 200 acres. He divided this land and gave a lot to his sons. He did not mention how much he, Percival Powell, got from his father. He is still rich and has lots of land.

He lives now with his mother, Henreta Reynolds. Their house is on the other side of the path leading through Thatch Walk to Little Pedro Village. He stays in this house with his mother and his brother, who is ~~siderx~~ older than him. About 30. But it is him, Percival ~~xxxx~~ George, ~~whomxxxx~~ who maintains the family by his work. His brother helps also.

His family-in-law. Previously he did live with his mother. He stayed in the house which we visited yesterday and where we met him. He went with one of the daughters of Mrs. Henrietta Brooks - she was his girl-friend. But now he is no more with her. When he went ~~in~~ as a farm labourer to America - in 1943 for 6 months and in 1944 for 9 months - she went with another man and so they parted. They did not quarrell - simply parted. He still comes to this house, in fact, he has all his ~~xx~~ meals there, but he does not live any more in this house. Does not sleep there.

His trip to U.S. was succesful. He brought some money back and was able to buy some land, which he cultivates ~~now~~ now.

**His mother's farm
in 1942.**

His ~~father~~ mother's farm figures in Form 3 of 1942 Census. It was a farm of under 1 acre. ~~xxxxxxx~~
~~xx~~ The owner of the farm was Henreta Reynolds. She had 1 swine, produced ~~vege~~ tables for L2 during the Census year. Nothing more!

Inform. Dudley Simpson
26.1.48.
J.O.

Powell Percival.
His family.

Powell Percival is the last son of George Powell. His is his outside son. Simpson does not know of any other outside children of George Powell.

George Powell went with Henreta Reynolds after his wife's death. She had a boy for him - the boy we are speaking about, Percival Powell. George Powell had no other outside children: "I dont really know of any by any other woman. The old lady was getting old, she die - then he got over Henreta."

Henreta had also a girl. S he claimed she is also George Powell's child. "She did say it is for George Powell, but it was not for him. I believe the girl is for one of these Brooks - Jacob Brooks."

Henreta had three other sisters: Esther, Rosa and Rhoda. All of them were children of one father: Dan Ronalds /Reynolds/. "I dont know where they come from - possibly from Lowlands. I met them in Thatch Walk." Rosa and Rhoda died - Esther lives besides ~~Henreta~~ Henreta.

Percival ~~was~~ was formerly with Iris Brooks, one of the daughters of Henrietta Brooks. They had no child. When the man went to America, Iris Brooks was with Dan Williams. That's why Percival did not return to Iris. But he is on good terms with all the Brooks family.

Dan Williams who replaced Percival at Iris Brooks live previously with Maisy Rochester. ~~Thatix~~ They were cl. couple. Since he left her, "Maisy Rochester is living now with Basil Witter." He is Ruel Witter's brother, He is the shoemaker.

/he was twice
to America/

Inform . Percival Powell
5. 3. 48.
D. B.

Percival Powell .

On my visit to Percival Powell he told me he is the son of George Powell and Henreitta Reynolds . He shares house with his mother . She's at work at the factory . His sister is home from Kingston . Spending a little time . Powell's cousin pays him a morning visit , also a friend . They were a bit curious about my visit so I tried to explain as quickly as I could . After hearing my errand they appeared to be quite friendly . Powell was glad to be able to give the necessary informations. His brother Ernest Dyer , and his aunty Esther Reynolds share house with her (Percival Powell) and his mother . Esther has her own house in the yard . But they all live as one family . His mother is 48 years old and is from "Thatch Walk" Powell's grand parents are from "Thatch Walk" . He knows nothing about his great grand parents . Grand father and grand mother were married but not his parents . He did not know his grand parents though , as they had died a long time ago . About 20 years the last one died .

Land .

The portion of land is 2 acres . Powell did not say which of his grand parents had given it to his parents.

Occupation

While at home he cultivates corn and peas and cassava also about 2 square chains of tomatoes . The tomatoes he sells to the factory but the other things were not enough to sell , just for the home use . He was never employed , neither employany one , chiefly does day for day .

Visit to America

Powell has been to America twice . First visit was very hard with food stuff on the Ship . Second visit was very good . He would go back because he likes it very much . Powell likes it in America as plenty money can be made there . He would never go to Florida as he had heard that it is a very hard place , but would go anywhere else.

Religion

Powell said the whole family was belonging to the Anglican church . There are a few other churches in the district such as Jehovah Witness, Church of God and Seventh Day Adventist . But to him the Jehovah Witness or Millenium looked to be the strongest . On asking Powell who was the Anglican Parson here he said to tell the truth he did not know as he had never been to church for a long time . Ask him why ? He said nothing special , perhaps a little carelessness.

Sister from Kingston.

Was in a very good mood apparently displaying a little of the town air. She appeared quite happy to tell me that she has been living in Kingston for a good while now. She lives at Mark Lane near the Fish Depot. She said she was doing a very dirty work. I asked her what was it like, she told me nursing. Any way she did not mind it and would be going back on Monday. She only wish she could get some of the beef to take back to town as it was ~~so~~ so scarce in Kingston. She expressed how hard life is in every part of the Island. What was plentiful at one place was scarce at the other place e. g. in Kingston you have plenty of water, here you have none. In Kingston you have no beef, here you have plenty. This assertion was brought up when I asked for a drink of water.

Friend who was standing
by.

V America

Sidney Powell he was. He had not much to say in the conversation. He was more or less occupied in another conversation with the girl who was in the yard. Learning that he had gone to too I asked him how did he like it? He bluntly told me that he did not like it at all, but probably if he could get the chance to go to another place in America, may be, he would go. He was not inclined to join in or say anything more as far as I could see.

Wednesday,
March, 10, 1948.

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Ed. F.

Interview with Percival Powell

Percival is 24. He now shares house with his mother Henreitta Reynolds and a half brother Earnest Dyer. Percival was born in this house he now shares with his mother. She built the house herself on the land she jointly inherited with her sister Esther Reynolds, from her father. They sold a piece of the land to David Brooks. -shared the money from the sale. Each sister has now built a room on the land. They pay the taxes jointly in Esthers name.

His mother has 4 children. They are :

1. Verona Brooks -35.
2. Earnest Dyer 30.
3. Percival Powell (himself) -24.
4. Esmilda Powell 15.

Order

attended

School: Percival/the middlesex elementary school in Manchester, where he had gone to share house with Mrs. Marian Mollison, a mothers sister. He went to Mrs. Mollison when he was 10 and left when he was 19 or 20. He went to his aunt because she had no children of her own and had asked his mother to allow him to come and live with her. He attended school till he was 16 and in the 3rd. standard.

Mrs. Marian was born and used to live in Bull Savannah, but met and married her husband who was born in Manchester and has been living there. ~~xxxxxx~~ Percival does not know where his aunt Marian met her husband.

Afterschool Percival did "a little cultivating of yams, irish potatoes, and ginger. He sold the ~~ginger~~ the ginger and some of the yams in the Christiana market: supported himself ~~in~~ in this way. He used / hsi aunts husband land for the cultivations. William did not charge for the land, nor did he complain because Percival used to use it. He (William) told Percival ~~to~~ "use the land to help yourself."

William Mollison/
son/

Goes to America

Percival left his aunts when in 1943 he was recruited to go to America as a farm labourer. He remained in America for about 6 months; wrote to his aunt for whom he sent about \$5 per month. That was for herself. He sent more for her to save for him.

He used to write to his mother also but did not send any money for her because he had left her as his

dependent, by the terms of the contract he signed for working. As his dependent his mother drew £1 per month. He did not send his mother any money to save for him.

He returns home

He returned home with \$110 -found his aunt had saved £20 for him. That was the amount he expected her to save for him. He did not return to ~~xxxx~~ share house with his aunt in Manchester; he came instead to share house with his mother in Bull Savannah because he preferred it here. Why? -because in Manchester he found it too hard to live: he can earn much more money here.

While here he got another chance to go to America. That was in 1944. At the time he was leaving he still had thirty five pounds money of the savings from the first going. He left that money in the Government Savings Bank.

On this second trip to America he again left his mother as his dependent. He used to get through the Government Savings Bank, one pound per month. He wrote to her regularly, but did not send her any money. Why? - "Used to send it to teacher Millard to bank it for me." ~~xxxx~~ Why didn't you send it to your mother to ~~xxxxxxx~~ put it in the bank for you instead teacher? "Because she could not get to Manchester easily." He then explained that he had been depositing his money in the G.S.B. branch near his aunt's home in Manchester. Teacher Millard used to mail on the money to that ~~xxxxxx~~ bank branch for him. He did not want to give his mother the trouble to do that. He had no other reason for not sending the money to his mother to be put in the bank for him. He did not know there was a branch of the Government savings bank in Junction.

He stayed 8 months in America the second trip; returned with ten pounds cash. Teacher had saved 80 Pounds for him. ~~xxxxxx~~ He invested some of these monies in "Buying dumb things" -1 cow, 2 pigs, 2 sheep. He keeps these on family land "in the woods" -Shakham. He has not bought any land; does not propose to buy any. His father has some lands: if his father does not give him any of that he will buy some.

No girl friend !?

Percival does not have a girl friend. He does not bother with girls. He hung his head sheepishly as he said that. His mother cooks and washes for him -he volunteered.

At present he cultivates on his father's land at Shakham. - cassava, which he uses for food, but also sells. His father also has land

in Bull Savannah where he has 2 houses of 3 rooms.
The land neighbours Joseph Elliott and Wintward ~~xxxx~~
Elliott. That is in Bottom Bull Savannah.

/ Brooks

Percival cultivates tomatoes on Miss Henreitta's
land; goes that on share - 2 parts of the crop for
himself, and one part for Miss Henreitta.- This
tomato cultivation covers 2.5 squares.

Percival had come into the Henreitt Brooks yard
to see Miss Henreitta, when this interview was given.
He obviously has some attachment to someone in this
yard - from a chance remark he made I suspect he at
least sometimes eats there. I was unable to find
out anything definite in this regards in this inter-
view.

Friday .
12. 3. 48.
D. B.

Interview with Henreitta Reynolds.

Henreitta is the daughter of Dorothy Reynolds and William Reynolds. Her parents died long ago. She has four children. They are Verona Brooks, Ernest Dyer Percival Powell, and Verlin Powell. Henreitta shares house with Ernest.

Esther Reynolds. Esther is sister to Henreitta. "That house is belonging to her" Henreitta said, she pointed to a house nearby. Henreitta states that Esther is too terrible. She talks too high, and is always ready to quarrel. Henreitta does not meddle with her sister's things. Peace is what Henreitta prefers and to ~~do her~~ her own business, not joining with Esther.

Verona.

~~Henreitta xxxxxxxx xx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx She xxxxxxxx
littl xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx~~

Verona paid a visit to her mother a few weeks ago. Her mother was sick, so Verona came to care her a little. "She left on Tuesday for Kingston", Henreitta said. ~~Henreitta--states--that~~ Verona has promised to write early. She is to fix some papers and send these to teacher Millard, who will help her mother to go to the Doctor.

Verona/

Trouble with Verlin.

Verlin left for Kingston lately. She has fallen into some trouble that would eventually end in court. One Sunday morning she was paying a visit to one of her Aunts. As she approached the catchment, she was suddenly attacked by one Myrtle Ellington. Myrtle in a fighting mood held Verlin over her shoulder. They both fell to the ground. At this time each girl was trying to get loose. While trying Myrtle rolled into some broken bottles nearby. Unfortunately she was cut all over. Myrtle being defeated by Verlin got a razor-blade from her own house and took it to Malvern. At Malvern Myrtle informed the Police that Verlin had cut her with the razor blade. A summon was sent to Verlin, but Verlin had left for Kingston. In Kingston she was with her sister Verona. Verlin left her sister and is now by herself. Henreitta says "she will be sending for Verlin to take care of her as she is sick."

Fights

Means of living.

Henreitta is suffering with pains in her back. Teacher Millard has promised to help her in going to the hospital. She cannot find it possible to go as yet. There are many things that she needs, but is unable to buy. She has not got the money for she cannot work. Major Moxsy is very kind to her, he sent her to the Doctor once. Now and then he gives her a shilling or two. Verona helps her with a dress sometimes. Henreitta believes Verona would help her with money, but as she

is not working she cannot .

Ernest.

" Ernest was very sick , almost mad,"Henreitta said. He could not get better until he was taken to the "Balm" . Ernest is quite better , and is working at the factory. Henreitta regrets to know that Ernest has to be carrying the load on his head , after his recent illness. Ernest is unable to help Henreitta with money . He is not working so much atthe factory.

Land

Henreitta thinks the portion of land she lives on is 2acres. Her father left ut for her when he died. He bought it , but she does ~~not~~ not know from whom. She is paying the taxes forit.

Interviewed Henrietta Reynolds.

Saturday.
13. 2.48.
I.D.

Henrietta was busy lighting her pipe when I arrived. Her sister Esther Reynolds was gone to Alligator Pond to see if she could get fish. She did not have any money but hoped she would get the fish if she begged for it.

Esther's house was blown down during the storm. "Norman Holness did tell the High~~er~~ quarters that she was out of house and home and Mason Senior run up that little house there give her." Shortly after Senior built the house he didd in his field.

Henrietta's kitchen got burnt down. She was so frightened, she could not call herneighbours to help her. "I frighten so tell I couldn' hollar." The man thes see the fire, and run come and pitch off the top." Henrietta did not have any water at all when the kitchen caught fire.

Water problem.

/(Henrietta)

Hennie/finds it very very hard to get water. She is no longer able to go to the Rock as she suffers with pain. She has to buy the water most of the time. She went to the factory and asked the Manager for water. "And you know him never give me. Him say if him give me, every body will want." Now, the people them about here bad but them not so bad. If them have, Her son Ernest "did mad, tumble down off truck. Doctor say him was the worse one. And we cry and we hollar, and we mourn and we fret, but we ~~aid~~ ~~not~~ was not looking for him this side again." She thought he was dead. "From that he ~~was~~ no use to himself." Ernest was not at home, his mother said he was gone to Alligator Pond for fish "him say him use to the lad them down there and them will give him fish." Hennie does not like when ∅ Ernest goes out, she is afraid that he will get sick when he is away from home.

/ wath~~e~~ and you beg them, them will give you."

Balm.

Ernest was taken to the balm and Miss Reta got him better. "I believe if I go to the balm it will help me, but I can't walk it." Miss Reta generally tells the sick person to boil bush "she say if you don't understand must ask Miss Hilda Dickie." Hilda lives at Top Bull Savannah. Jane Ellington also know how to boil the bush. "While you look the bush, them will boil it and them don't charge you for them know that you poor and distress. "

Percy Powell one of her sons lives with Iris Brooks. "Always look after me, but you know when them leave the home and live with woman, them don't bother with you. Me no like worry them for them must not hog/ me. " Hennie does not/
want Percy to live with Iris. She

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/ home

has spoken to him several times about it, but he refuses to leave her. "That woman he is along with, you know a ~~w~~oman get him death from her. Him was sick there with bad stomach and him people them did want him to come/and him would not go. Must say him dead at the girl place for when them was taking him to doctor him dead on the way." Refereing to Percy living with Iris, she said "I don't want it so but him wont come back."

Tuesday,
March 16, 1948.

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ED. F.

Interview with Percival Powell

In a previous interview Percival had said he had had no girl friend. He denied having relationship with any woman in a way suggesting that he had never had sexual relations with a woman.

His child

Asked how many children he had, he said he had one. The interview was opened with that fact as a basis. He perhaps told the following only because he realised that it could not be explained how he could have had a child without having sexual relationship with a woman.

Louise Brooks the mother of the child now 2 years old, is the daughter of Nicholas Brooks. (F.R.13) Percival has never shared house with her.

His Amorous Career

Percival's first girl friend was Elsa Witter a daughter of Sarah Banton of Thatch Walk. (F.R.19) They became friends after he returned from his aunt Mrs. Mollison of Christiana Manchester.

called/

He used to see Elsa about the village and used to call to her and say all kinds of different little things. He called her Elsa; never by a pet name.

He does "it" the first time

He had sexual relationship with her and for the first time in his life, about 3 weeks after they were friends. It happened thus: He was passing her house one day, called and found her alone in her mother's room. He asked her - "Where is y'u mother? She told him her mother had gone to the shop: she added that her mother would not be coming back soon.

Pre-sex play

They began "to romp," - to play; he played with her breasts. He had found her lying on the bed. He reminded her that she had promised him they would "do it" anytime they got a chance, and - "she was agree" that they should "do it" then.

It was about mid-day. As they played she pulled him down unto the bed. She "was up to the joke herself." He remained lying in the bed with her for a minute or so. He did not ask her anything more, because he found out that "she was anxious for the joke herself."

They "do it."

She pulled up her dress. He pulled down her pantie; they did it. He reached a climax about 1/4

of an hour after they had begun. She did not reach a climax: Was not vexed with him because he did not allow her to reach the climax with him. He washed himself off and went away.

He had relations with Elsa about 2 times after the first occasion. He did not have anymore relations because he got a farm workers ticket and went to ~~XXXXXX~~ America.

Sarah, Elsa's mother, did not know he was did not know he was Elsa's boy friend. (He was 19 or 20 then). He "did not feel like telling her" because he feared she would quarrel with Elsa.

He gives her money

Work at the factory

Money to his mother

Presents to Elsa

At that time he used to work in the juicing house of the Ja. Veg. factory during crop time, and in the yard during the off crop period. He got 19/- per week. From his earnings he used to give Elsa from 5/- to 10/- as often as he could. He did not give ~~xxx~~ money each week, because Elsa did not "worry ~~him~~ for money." He used to give his mother 4/- per week. He spent the remainder of his money buying clothes and cigarettes chiefly. He had no other girl friend at that time. Sometimes when he went out to Mandeville or so, he would buy little presents ~~xxxxxx~~ like handkerchiefs ~~xxxxxx~~ and other thing like that, for Elsa. he never bought anything for his mother.

Elsa gives him money

Elsa used to give him money when during crop time she worked in the factory juicing house. Money was usually 2/- she said he was to use to buy his ~~xxxxxx~~ cigarettes.

He sends her money from America

From America he used to write her every week. He also sent her money - \$5 each month; that money for herself.

Pregnancy-Another man he ceases to write

Some time after he was in America, Hamlin Brooks one of his friends in Jamaica wrote to tell him that she was pregnant. He did not write to her after that, nor did he send her any money.

He returns from Am.

On his return from America he did not go to see Elsa, and when he met her in the street he "only say how-de-do, and pass along." Why? - "A jus' dont feel to talk to her, because she did not behave good. He never tried to reestablish ~~xxxxxx~~ relations with her,

and meets Iris Brooks on/

One day while he was at ~~ix/xxBxxxx~~ Wintward Elliot's shop - it was the very first day ~~ofxxx~~ his arrival in Bull Savannah from America, he saw Iris Brooks going away from the shop towards her home.

He stopped her, -asked her, -"Want me to take y'u part way ?" he answered -"Y'u can come."

Puts his case

They walked together towards her home. He asked him how he had spent his time in America. He told her he had spent it well. He knew she then had a boy friend ~~xxx~~ then in America, but ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ -"a ask her if she would keep mi an' sh' says yes;" A tell her a would like to sleep with her that night an she sey (say) that would be alright."

she accepts ~~xxx~~

and he sleeps wih her

"A come down and a sleep with her that night and we was friends for 3 yeras." He began to share house with her about 1 month after his return from America. They lived in ~~one-of-her~~ the "hall" of her mother's 2 roomed house, while her mother shared the other apartment with Myrtle Ellington's small son. (See F.R.)

Shares house with her

Her old boy friend returns

He had been sharing house with her about 3 ~~xxx~~ years, when her old boy friend Vincent Williams returned from America. At about that time too he ~~re~~ noticed that ~~Myrtle~~ Iris began to come home late at nights. He asked her -"if she an' vincent was ~~xxxx~~ something an' she say they were not but mi know them was somethijg!"

He returns to his mother's

He told her he didnot feel to stay in the room with her anymore. She, replied that she "could not stop mi from going, an that a could do anything a want!" He took away all his things then -clothes (no furniture) and returned to share house with his mother.

Miss Henreitta's reaction

Miss Henreitta did not like his returning to his mother's. She said that nobody had done him anything and that he had just gone off without sayin ing anything to her, about his reasons for going. He did not tell her what was his reason. She must must now know his reason because she has seen ~~xxxx~~ Vincent's coming in to ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Iris, but she has not said anything to him.

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His mother ~~xxxx~~ asked him why he had come home. He didax/tell her but he knows that she must know.

relations with Vincent and Iris

He is on speaking terms with Vincent but they are not great friends. He is sure he will never be friends with Iris again, because she would not do what he wants her to do, - she would still be friends with Vincent. ~~Benjamin~~ Vincent now lives in ~~Benjamin~~ house neighbouring Benjamin Heathe's.

Bromfield's

Mother of his child

It was while he was sharing house with Iris that he had a baby with Louise Brooks. He had relationships with Louise only 2 times. He ~~was~~ agrees the child is his; sends 3/- a week for it.

Iris used to quarrel when she found out that Louise was going to have a baby for him. She threatened to leave him. He told her the baby was not his but she had said "Yes is your own, own it, because I know is your own." He insisted the ~~child~~ child was not his.

Miss Henrietta did not ask ~~him~~ or say anything to him about this matter, now did Arthur.

The interview was given at Mrs. Henrietta/ Brooks' yard. Percival has dinner there whenever he is around at dinner time. He gives Miss Henrietta from 6/- to 7/- ~~a~~ week to cook for him. He does not eat there every day. When he does not eat at Miss Henrietta's, he eats at his mother's. He does not eat at his mother's all the time because she is not at home sometimes. She works out at the factory sometimes. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

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He does not have a girl friend at present. Has not bothered with one since he broke up house with Iris - that was in last August. When he wants to have sex relations he sometimes goes with Iris but that's not often now, - only about once per week or so. He does not "go with" any other girl. He does not now give Iris any money or present but she gives him 3/- or so now and then to "get a drink" she says. He used to be very vexed with her, but ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ feels alright towards her now. He does not now have any sexual relationships with Louise or any other girl.

While in America he did not have a girl friend, because that would have taken up too much of his time, besides where he was then, there were "no coloured in that Town." Asked why he did not get a white girl friend, he said "that would be more ~~XXXXXX~~ terrible because that don't allow in that State," - Indiana.

Monday .
14. 6. 48.
D. B.

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Interviewed Henrietta Reynolds.

Henrietta's first boy friend was Jacob Brooks . Jacob asked Henrietta to "friend with him and she friend with him . Jacob wanted to come in and go out as he liked in her mother's house , and her mother did not quite understand what he was up to . So he had to ask her mother's permission to friend with her . The mother before consenting asked Henrietta what she "think of it . Henrietta said yes if he behaves she will friend with him , if not she will not stay with him long " .

for a few months/ They moved as friends/before they had their first intercourse After she had her first intercourse she started to ~~feel~~ feel "different from how she was feeling before". She could not eat the things she used to eat , or drink fresh water . "Everything me eat me vomit it up . Me had to take bottles and go all the way to Alligator Pond for water a the spring ". That water was not as fresh x as the water at her home . Her people strated to wonder what was wrong why she could not drink the water at home , and could not eat .

Henrietta told Jacob what had happened , and Jacob told her that she must not fret for he will take care of her . If her people turn her out he will ~~take~~ take her in for he has a house . Her mother found out that something was wrong , and asked her who had troubled her , but she did not quarrel . Henrietta's sister Emma Reynolds was displeased with Henrietta and made the attempt to flog her several times , but Henrietta had to run to secape the flogging . She pointed to a rock and showed me where she used to hide from her sister . She would hide there for a day until late at night when every one was gone to bed , then she would come out and go in to her bed .

She had the baby , and Jacob used to care ~~for~~ her well, also the baby but ~~he~~ they did not continue their friendship for ~~long~~ long , because Jacob and "Mun Sinclair" became friends and the woman "begin to breed for him . So me tell him fe go home for me finish and me no wan" ha ' any more pickney fe him for him ha ' nither woman ". Jacob disowned that there was a friendship existing between another woman and himself . She told him she did not hear by chance , she has ~~seen~~ seen it with her eyes , and is finished , so they parted . Jacob is now living with another woman .

Cushman Dyer.

Cushman her second boy friend , came " like a thief in night". Cushman ~~and~~ and Henrietta had met a few times and talked socially , but " we nodid no special friend Cushman's father died and he was going to the "set up",

but instead of going straight to the "set up" he came in to visit her. She was alone at home, because all the others had gone to the "set up", so Cushman had the chance of spending a long time with her. To come to her that night he had walked altogether out of the way (as if he was trying to hide).

They were alone so they took the chance and had their first intercourse, "and you know that very night ah breed for him". Her mother finding out that she was expecting another baby quarrelled with her very much, and say she was wrong to have anything to do with the man, "for he has some-body. Henrietta declared that she did not know ~~like~~ that he had another woman. She had the baby but she did not get any great help from him, except when she quarrelled she would get 1/- or 2/-.

Cushman and Henrietta did not live together in one house, visits were only paid by Cushman to Henrietta. Once or twice Cushman slept at her house, "but we no sleep together, me sleep in the room and him sleep out a def hall". Their friendship did not continue for long for at the same time she ~~is~~ was expecting her baby for Cushman, another woman was expecting one for him also. Cushman was more attentive to the other woman, and so the friendship between Henrietta and Cushman was came to end. "Me and him never have any thing after that, we only ~~ix~~ talk, but we no so nice".

George Powell.

"Him come a yard come ask me fe friend with him, me never walk after any man yet them always have fe walk after me. All a them wey me and them freind, a them come ya come come ask me fe friend with them. When Powell ask me fe fe friend with him me consent because, him treat me good. Me never have fe bullirigin him fe any thing (that is she never had to keep on asking him for any thing). If him have any ~~xxx~~ thing fe give me him ~~f~~ give me with out me ask him for it. Him was a more ~~xxxx~~ feelingable man more and the others".

"Him always come down here come visit me, and is x right in a my house we first went together and had our first intercourse. The very first time we ~~dox~~ it, me find out that me was expecting another baby ~~fox~~. Me did not want me mother to know". Her mother found out and asked her about it she told ~~ix~~ her it is not true. But Powell went ~~x~~ to her mother and told her it is true, and he is the father. When Powell's children heard that he was visiting her, and that she was expecting a baby for him, they started to quarrel.

"Me only hear that them quarrel, but them never quarrel with me whom them meet me up, or say any thing to me.

Powell's children did not want their father to be in ~~fr~~ friendship with Henrietta . Henrietta did not say why they did not want their father to be in company with her. Powell did not mind what the children were saying , he kept on visiting her , until he gave her another child . The first child Percival is accepted by the family , but ~~Verlin or~~ Esmilda the second one ~~is~~ is not recognized by them .

Powell could not pay so much attention to Verlin when she was born , because his children were quarrelling very much and would not allow him to own another one . To prevent them from quarrelling , he told them that "nothing no go so (that is the child is not his) . So them own Percy , but no Verlin, say Verlin is not ~~his~~ fe Powell " .

Powell's wife was dead already.

For sake of "Saka the children Powell could not *stay* starry long when him come to visit me". Asked what Powell's wife said about their friendship . Henrietta said she doesnot know , because she and the wife "never meet up , me never go fe them way and them never come fe me way " . Percy visits them somethimes , but not very often . Since old Powell is feeble and unable to ~~one~~ move about , the children ~~xxx~~ are more in unity with Percy , more so because they can get him to work for them .

Since Percy has grown to be a man and can help him self , his father and his half brothers /and sisters do not worry themselves to give him anything . If he is even to get any of his father's land , that may be afterthe death of his father , "for perhaps him must a make will and put that in a the will". Henrietta does not visit the Powell's home , they have not much in common .

Children's attitude towards mother .

Henrietta's children chiefly cling to their fathers . She does not know why . Percy "is worse " , me caan hardly talk to him , no a them won" hear me . Them mus'e prefer them fahher speech . Me won ' give them, them own way . A that them want . Plenty a time if them did hear what me say them would be on the right side " .

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Percy went to America and returned with quite a few things such as , cups and saucers , knives and fork , gramophone and blankets , and plates . Percy and one Iris Brooks became friends ,and Percy took the things one by one and "cart them down" to Iris' house . When/noticed that the things were going one by one , she asked Percy why he was taking all the things away , Percy got annoyed . She told him to be careful for these "young woman when they get all they want from man them ~~we~~ wi' leave one man for the other " .

"Percy never hear me , and as the gal x get all what

she want she leave him out now and take another man", who went to America and is now building a house . "A no so we does do when we a did young gal . Them ya young woman too bad . Now Percy no have a ~~king~~ thing left , for him gave her all what him did have , and fe me house empty".

With regards to the upkeep of the family Percy does not contribute to it . He depends on his mother to feed him . He is not working at present , and even when working he does not help his mother . He cultivates a little garden and occasionally he gives his mother some of what he plants . He used to give the most to Iris .

Ernest helps a little better than Percy . He gives his mother a 1/- to provide when he has it , and what ever food he gets from his garden . Ernest works when he can get something to do . He does not have a girlfriend . Ernest and Percy share house with their mother .

The House .

During my interview with Henrietta it started to rain , so I had to go for shelter in the house . She grumbled to herself that the house is not so nice and that ~~is~~ it ~~leak~~ leaks when it rains . The house is of a very poor type . Nothing like furniture is in it . Two beds are there , one with a brief spread , the other without . There ~~was~~ is a table with a brown paper parcel on it , and a shoe brush . There are two or three boxes with things packed in two , and the other served me as a chair . There on one side of the wall is a variety of pictures that were no doubt cut from a magazine .

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Two pairs of shoes/were on the ground ~~is~~ very near the door and by this time they were properly sprinkled , Henrietta took them up with care and started to blame herself for not removing them before they got wet . She was kept very busy ~~in~~ turning over both beds , or the mat - tress on the beds so as not to allow them to get wet , for by this time the house was leaking fast . Henrietta was quite confused as it was shown in/several trips walking from one side of the ~~house~~ house to the other , and trying to arrange the beds without attracting my attentio

The rain stopped and I was preparing ~~x~~ to go when she asked me if I did not have a 3d to give her to buy her dinner , because she did not have any thing at all to make her dinner . She was disappointed when she heard that I had no money with me .

Drawn from the record.
7.7.48.
J.O.

Present household:

Reynolds Henrietta, ab.50.
Dyer Ernest, son, 30.
Powell Percival, son, 24.

Percival Powell belongs only loosely to the household. He has his meals at Henrietta Brooks and sleeps at Henrietta Brooks' ~~daughter's~~ ~~house~~ house with her daughter Iris Brooks. Still he regards his mother's house as his home. Esmilda Powell, 15, called Verlih, is now in Kingston. Another daughter, Verona Brooks, 35, lives permanently in Kingston and paid only lately a short visit to her maternal home.

Information from Lillian Powell.
Interv. Henrietta Reynolds. 17.6.48.
J.O. 26.8.48.

Present household.

Reynolds Henrietta, 50.
Powell Percival, ~~26~~ son, 26.
Dyer Ernest, 30, son.

M Henrietta Reynolds: daughter of late William and Dorothy Reynolds, Thatch Walk. Has two full sisters: Marion Mallison in Christiana and Esther Reynolds in Th. Walk /F.R. 176/.

Henrietta had 5 children, 4 alive. /F.R. 51/.
Powell Percival's father is George Powell in B.S.
~~George Powell is also father~~ George Powell is also father of Gurlin Powell, last ~~daughter~~ child of Henrietta. Gurlin Powell is not staying in the home now. In Kingston. Dyer Ernest's father is ~~xxxxxx~~ Cussman Dyer from Junction. His half sister and halfbrother through the father /Ivan and Esmine Dyer/ live in Junction.

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Verona Brooks, another daughter, is now in Kingston. Her father is Jacob Brooks in Overroad /see F.R. 171/. ~~xxxxxx~~ She has two/brothers by her father: Curtis Brooks now in Kingston and John Brooks in Thatch Walk; and also one halfsister Naomi Brooks, living now in Kingston.

Percival Brooks went to U.S. twice in 1942 and 1945. According to his mother he "smash up" his savings. House: 1 room. Kitchen. Furniture: 1 bed. Land owned by Henrietta : 2,5 acres, homeland, inherited from parents.

Trees: 5 mangoes, 5 sweet saps, 2 coconuts, 1 ackee. Cult.: no tomatoes. "A few holes" of congo. Animals: 1 pig, 1 sheep, 1 dog.

Weekly spendings: 10/- . £5 spent on clothes last year for all the household. £1 on med. treatm. No part. religion. Percival read till 3rd stand., Ernest never went to school. Neither Henrietta.