

G.D. 22. Sbd. 12. Household 58.

Simpson Izan	Head	M.M.54.	St.El.	Col.	Angl.	Farmer	Ill.
„ Martha	Wife	F.M.40.9.8.	„	„	„	Homemaker	W.3.
„ Olga	Dau	F.S.18.	„	„	„	None/yes/	W.2.
„ Gurnie	Son	M.S.16.	„	„	„	„	W.2.
„ Elda	Dau	F.S.12.	„	„	„	4E	W.3.
„ Lourena	Dau	F.S.10.	„	„	„	4E	W.2.
„ Nebbert	Son	M.S. 4.	„	„	„		
„ Itiah	Dau	F.S. 1.	„	„	„		

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His farm 1942.

*7 acres  
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Operates his farm for 32 years, as owner. 10 acres in 2 parcels 5 acre each. Chief source of income: toamtoes. Works 52 weeks per year, 6 days per week, 9 hours per day.

3 acres in cultivation. 1/2 acre cultivable but not cultivated. 4,5 acre used excl. for pasture and grazing, of this 4 a. in guinea grass. 2 acres of "other land".

Value of farm: £250, value of house: £.35.

1 catchment.

Cultivations: 0,2 a. in tomatpes - 1000 lbs. 10 mangoes - 750 doz. 1 naseberry - 9 doz. 0,25 a. in corn - 4 bushels. 1,5 acres in congo - 15 bushels. 0,5 a. in cassava - 2400 lbs. 0,25 a. in potatoes - 900 lbs.

1 donkey; 5 goats; 1 swine; 10 hens; 50 doz.eggs.

Interview with Izan Simpson.

24.2.48.

J.O.

Izaan Simpson's family. His wife.

Izaan Simpson was born in Bull Savannah, in Shaddock Hill. His wife also was born in Bull Savannah, also in Shaddock Hill. Her maiden name is the same: Simpson. She was Richard Simpson's daughter - "same family as Robert ~~Rxxxx~~ Simpson."

Their children. Married daughters.

They have 9 children, but only 7 stay at home. Two ~~and~~ eldest girls married and left ~~parental~~ parental home. One is married to Claston Holness, another to Isaac Lewis and both live in close vicinity to their parents.

Grown up son.

He has only two sons. The oldest one is a cultivator. He cultivates tomatoes on share with a Thompson from Plowden Hill. His tomato garden is in New Forest on Thompson's land. He goes every day to New Forest and comes back home in the evening. He does not work at the factory.

His working daughter.

The oldest daughter staying at home works in the ~~fact~~ factory. She works "under sheds". Earns 1/6d per day, or rather was earning that amount till last week. Lastly the pay was raised up to 2/- per day. "It's very hard, hard."

Another daughter.

~~Her training in trade.~~

Another ~~the~~ girl is 15. She does not go more to school, but she attended till last year. She is learning now dressmaking and intends to be dressmaker. Her sister married to Claston Holness is her teacher. This girl again learned her trade from Eveline Simpson, daughter of Lindon Simpson, who is "living here - Junction way." Eveline Simpson is ~~is~~ "no more living here - this lady marry a gentleman in Manchester."

Other children.

Other children are too little to be of any help for the family. ~~They~~ Some of them go to school. The youngest daughter is Caroline, 3 years old.

His farm.

He has only one garden of tomatoes, close to his house. I visited once the garden - well kept and promising. His farmland is 7 acres. Not all of them cultivated - only a part. he was

He never ~~xxxx~~ did fishing. From his youth ~~was~~ a cultivator. ~~xxxxxxx~~ Previously before tomato industry he cultivated tobacco. Now he does not bother any more with this crop: "Since the tomato nobody ~~scarcely~~ bother with tobacco."

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Interview with Dudley Simpson.

24.2.48.

J.O.

The oldest daughter staying in Izaan Simpson's home and working in the factory is Rose. She has two children, but is not married.

Next daughter, Olga, is married to Isaac Lewis and lives at his home. Elda, the younger one, is married to Claston Holness.

Izaan Simpson's father was Isaac Simpson. He died. Isaac ~~St~~ had a brother Kennedy, who died in Cuba. Kennedy's son Calvin inherited the place - "he stay in the place." Kennedy's wife and Calvin's mother - Zada - ~~married~~ - after Kennedy's death Levi Simpson and lives with him.

Visit at home. Interv. Simpson: Izan, Martha & Gurnie.  
26.6.48.  
T.O.

I met Izan Simpson and his wife twice on previous occasions on which we spoke about cultivations etc. Today I came in the company of his son-in-law Claston Holue Holness. The whole Simpson family was having breakfast in the kitchen. They emerged at my arrival and we all went under the mango tree. Soon some neighbours joined us and quite a number of children, who behaved however quietly not like those in "haddock Hill on the verge of Rabbit Town.

Housing The house is not very "smart" like the new ones but well built. There are two rooms. This house was built by Izan himself after the old house in which Izan was born and in which his father Daniel lived was "mashed up". Kitchen and buttery are in a separate building. There/a third building near the place where the old house used to stand and near the family graves. It is a small one-room building occupied by Izan's son (or sons)

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Present household:

Simpson	Izan head.	M.M. 60	Shad.Hill.	Illit. cultivat.
"	Martha wife	F.M.45	Bot.B.Sav.	R.W. homekake
"	Gurney son	M.S.22	Shad.Hill	R.W. cult.
"	Vendilla dau	F.S. 20	"	R.W. helps at h.
"	Etheia	" " 6	"	
"	Nebert son	M.S.10	"	at school
"	Perline dau	F.S.4	"	
Dyer	Schelmerio gr.son	1	"	

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Izan Simpson. His parents were Daniel Simpson and Elisa Simpson. Elisa Simpson was also Simpson before she married.

I was informed by old Jane Simpson and other old people that the place where Izan lived was really the "starting point" of the Simpson family. "The Simpsons then live there in slavery times". Izan however was not able to tell me who was the first Simpson to come into this district. Izan knew very well and lived with his father's father Thomas Simpson. He also knows that Thomas' mother and father (i.e. Izan's great grand parents) are buried right here. He showed me the graves, but there are no inscriptions on them/. His wife Martha depicted me the death of Thomas.: "He was an old man but strong always walking about. One morning he went to my mother just down there. Coming back he told her 'Miss Sarah one day you will hear I am dead'. He went the same day to Dunder Hill. Came back and with his stick he marked the place for his grave. And next morning we wake

and him dead." Izan Simpson had 4 brothers: Kennedy and Wilbert are dead. Morrel is alive and he doesn't know what happened with Stanford. Izan didn't have to tell me much about his childhood. He is rather shy and the big audience made him still more shy. Richard?/  
Martha Simpson his wife, is the daughter of Robert?/  
Simpson (dead) and Sarah Simpson who lives lower down towards Tad Town. Martha started to enumerate her sisters and brothers in which unfortunately her sister in law Hilda Simpson was helping her. Hilda is the wife of Martha's brother James. Another brother ~~xxxx~~ Crafton lives "with the old lady." One sister is a Mrs. Dyer and two sisters "live abroad" (in other parishes). She has still one more brother and one more sister. As I intend to go to Martha's mother I did not want to spend more time on this subject. As far as I could understand Martha is a first cousin to her husband Izan. On this point a long and intricate debate was held by all present.

Their children Izan and Martha have 9 children of whom the oldest is 24 yrs and the youngest 4 yrs. The eldest daughter Olga married Isaac Lewis in Shaddock Hill; Elda married Claston Holness also in Shaddock Hill; Laurraine who is 15 stays with Olga whom she helps with the homework; Rubie who is 12 stays in Ridge with her aunt - (Martha's sister) Hilda Dyer. Vendilla stays at home and helps the mother with housework. Martha says she (i.e. Martha) works in the garden and her daughter is doing more of domestic work. At this point the older son Gurney was introduced to me. He is a strong, stocky young man, and rather shy like his father. The son Guerny seems to be the favourite one, or perhaps the most appreciated. At the end Martha said "So we have only 5 at home now" She seemed to be relieved that 4 of her 7 daughters were "fixed up". When she finished with her children she fished out from half a dozen small children standing around, her grand son Schelemrio(?). This is the son of her daughter Vedella and Gerald Dyer. He is brought up in the grandparents home but the father is "helping a little". It is a small boy who can hardly walk. He started to cry and his mother a young short girl took him promptly into her arms. Etheia and Ferline were pointed to me and they immediately hid behind the tree.  
The land. Izan got his land from his grand-father Thomas Simpson of whom Izan "take care till he die". Izan has 7 acres of "homeland". He can't cultivate all of it. A great part is very stony. Almost half of the cultivated part is in guinea grass. Besides tomatoes he cultivates yams, corn and gungoo peas. Also "a little" of vegetables, escallion etc. The land is cultivated by himself and his son Gurney. The wife helps weeding, picking peas. The daughters do not work in the fields. They have a donkey some pigs and sheep. Goats are not kept as they are very "destructive". Sheep are kept for meat. No use is made of wool. "Sometimes you can sell" But lately Izan did not sell the wool.

Information from Leo Johnson.  
 Interv. Izan Simpson.  
 16.6.48.  
 J.O. 30.8.48.

Simpson Izan, 60.  
 ,, Martha, wife, 45.  
 ,, Gurney, son, 22.  
 ,, Vendilla, dau., 20.  
 ,, Ethua, dau, 6.  
 ,, Perline, dau. 4,  
 ,, Nebert, son, 10.  
 Dyer Thelmerio, grson, Vendilla's son, 1.

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Simpson Izan: ~~son~~ son of Daniel Simpson and Eliza Simpson nee Simpson. Izan had 4 brothers; Morrel Simpson, Kennedy /d/, Wilbert /d/, Stanford "believe alive."

Martha Simpson: daughter of Richard and Sarah Simpson nee Lewis. Izan and Martha have 9 children, 5 living with them, 4 outside the home. They are: Olga Lewis /m/, 24; Elda Holness, m., 18. Lorena Simpson, with her sister Olga /all 3 in Shaddock Hill/ and Ruby Simpson, 12, living with her aunt Hilda ~~Simpson~~ ~~in~~ ~~Ridge~~ ~~at~~ Dyer in Ridge.

Martha's brothers: ~~son~~ ~~of~~ Wilbert, Crafton and James Simpson, living in Bottom. grandfather, supported by father.

Dyer Thelmerio's father is Gerald Dyer. The child adopted by  House: 2 rooms. Kitchen. Buttery. Tank.

Land: 7 acres homeland inherited from ~~grandfather~~ grandfather. 3 acres cultivated, 2 g. grass, "rest in stone".

6 comm. mangoes, 8 naseberries, 4 coconuts, 1 breadfruit.

4000 tomatoes. 100 yam hills. 1 ac. congo.

1 donkey, 2 sheep, 2 pigs.

Weekly Ll. On clothes: adults L7, children L2 /each?/.

In school: Nebert 1 stand. Izan is illiterate.

No part. religion.