

C.D. 22. Sbd. 14. Household 2.

Powell William	Head	M.61.36.	St	El.	Col.	Angl.	Ill.	Farmer.
Spencer Rebecca	Wife	F.01.28.1.1.	"	"	"	"	W.2.	Homemaker
Powell IVAn	Son	M.S.13.	"	"	"	"	W.2.4E.	

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His farm 1942.

Operates this land for 13 years as owner.
 2 parcels - 1,75 each. Together 3,5 acres. Tomato
 chief in mix. farm. ~~xxxxxxx~~ No lab. emp
 Worked 52 weeks.
 Out of total 3,5 acres: 1,75 his wone. 1:75 rented
 from Johnson Maud Ann. Pays 40 sh. per acre per year.
 3,25 acres in cultivation. 1/4 ac. other land.
 Value: £35. Build. £10. No morgage.
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 Toantoes 1/2 acre - 870 lbs.
 Corn 1/4 ac. - 1,5 bush. Congo 1/2 ac. - 2 bush.
 Red peas 1/4 ac. - 2 bush. Cassava 1,5 ac. - 3200 lbs.
 Stock: 2 swines. 4 hens - 4 doz. eggs prod. and sold
 1 sh. per doz.

1 1/2 acre

Wednesday .
17. 3. 48.
D. B.

Interviewed Rebecca Spencer.

Rebecca Spencer
Her Parentage.

Rebecca is the daughter of Ethel Spencer and Joseph Spencer . She was born at Thatch Walk, where her parents are from . Her mother's parents , Charley Francis , and Rebecca Powell, also her ~~mother's~~ father's parents Sarah Francis and Benjamin Heath were born in Thatch Walk. Her mother is alive . Her father died six years ago. She went to Bull Savannah School , and left in 4th. standard.

Her father of her son
William Powell.

Rebecca shares the house with her son Ivan Powell. Ivan's father is William Powell from Ridge . She met William at Bull Savannah and they became friends. William went to Rebecca's parents and asked for her. They gave consent . They moved on friendly terms for a while until Rebecca became pregnant. When her parents found out she was expecting a baby , they quarrelled a great deal . They told her she had broken the ~~rule~~ rule.

"When me tell William me was goin' to have a baby an' me parents was quarrelling , 'im go to me parents an' tell dem 'im was sorry 'im fool me , an' gie me ~~the~~ de chile before 'im marry me , 'im was wron'but 'im wud marry to me , After 'im promise dat , dem stop quarrel!"

Rebecca had the child , and they were making plans to get marry. William took sick . He was bilious . He went to the doctorx twice. He never got better . He ~~die~~ died. He comes from Ridge . His parents were Louiser ~~Biggs~~ and Jethro Powell . They are dead. Rebecca feels William's death very much. She thinks of him all the time.

The House.

Rebecca's ~~ex~~ has a neat little house seeing it from without . William built it . It is made of spanish wall. It has two rooms.

Ivan Powell
Her son.

Rebecca's son Ivan went to school and read to 5th standard . He would like to be a shoemaker. His mother would love to help him, but things are so hard she cannot make it possible as yet. If she can later on she ~~will~~ will do so .

Sources of her
income.

She does "straw plaiting " and makes bammies. The thatch is bought at 6d per dozen heads at the market. For a day she can plait 16 yds . which will make a hat . ~~16~~ Sixteen yards are sold for 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d or 5d. when the price is low. When it is high one can get 6d for 16yds. The straw is sold easily - folks pass all the time and ~~ask~~ ask for it.

She buys 1cwt of cassava for 10/- , at Comma Pen or in the woods from David Witter or James Witter. She makes bammies and takes them to Alligator Pond. One banny can be ~~xxxx~~ sold for 1½d or 3d according to size. One ~~xxxx~~ can make 4/- profit on 1cwt. of cassava. It is a long time since she stopped this trade . The cassava is scarce. Previously she used to go twice a week , Saturday, and Monday and carry her bammies. When the market is good the sale is good. When the market is bad sometimes she has to carry home some of the bammies. What is brought back is used ~~in~~ the home.

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Sometimes she gets a little work at the factory. She works in the shed-picking out the good fruit. She gets 1/6 per day . Now and again she gets a little work. Sometimes for four days , sometimes for a week. She thinks they are partial at the factory with work. "Kisses go by favour - who they like they give work "

She has not a tank at her place. She has to buy wa-
 water from Charles Dyer.

She is not in company with any one at present, but she will marry if she sees a nice young man who will be responsible for her. " Some will tell you this and tell you that until he get what he want. "hen he leave you". She will know a true one when he comes - by the way he will talk to her.

Land.

Rebecca has one acre of land. William bought it from Albert Ellington. It is left for Ivan. Canute Elliott works one, or two square chains , planting tomatoes . He does it on partnership.

Information supplied by Lillian Powell
who interv. Rebecca Spencer on 17.6.48.
J.O. 11.6.48.

Present household.

Spencer Rebecca, 36.
Powell Ivan, son, 18.

Rebecca Spencer is daughter of Joseph Spencer and Ethel Spencer. For her family history see F.R.93.

2 William Powell was her c.l. husband. He never married Rebecca. death separated them. William Powell ~~has~~ had one child before he started to live with Rebecca: he was Granville Powell, now in U.S.A. His mother was Isobel Holness, c.l. wife of Thomas Powell. Granville was adopted by Sarah Dyer /se Fam.Rec.162/. William Powell's father was Jeffra Powell - from Outer Ridge /Conna Pen distr/, his mother Louisa Powell, nee Biggs /from outer Ridge/.

William Powell and Rebecca Spencer had only one child: Ivan Powell is living now with the mother.

House, land, farming. House and land belongs to Ivan Powell, who was the only successor to his father. The house has two rooms, furniture: 2 beds, 2 chairs, 1 table, & 1 kitchen. No tank. Rebecca says Ivan owns only 1/2 acre of homeland inherited from his father. /According to Census - William Powell's land property was (1.75 ac.) Trees: 3 mangos, 1 pear, ~~1 coconut~~ 1 coconut, 1 sweet saps, 1 pomegranate. Cultivations: tomato crop failed; yamas: 16 hills. 1/2 ac. cassava, No animals. Ivan works casually at the factory in the season.

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Spending, savings. Weekly expend. 12/-. £10 was spent on clothing last year. No savings.