

C.D. 22 Sbd. 12 Household 71.

Simpson	Clasten	head	M.M.	29	St. Eliz.	Col.	Angl.	W.3.	Farmer
"	Gertrude	wife	F.M.	26 4.4.	"	"	"	W.3.	Homemaker
"	Yeverley	dau	F.S.	4	"	"	"		
"	Carl	son	M.S.	"	"	"	"		
"	Polly	dau	F.S.	2/12	"	"	"		

His farm in 1942.

Operates this farmland as owner or prt owner for 5 years.

Owns 17 1/2 acres in 4 parcels: 4, 2 1/2, 3 and 4 acres resp.

Main income from tomatoes

No labour employed

Works 52 weeks, 6 days p.w. 9 hours per day.

6 acres under cultivation. 3 ac. cultivable but not used. 8 acres pastures (of which 5 in guinea grass), 1/2 ac other.

Td al value of farm £200, of buildings £120  
1 catchment

cultivations:

0.7 ac. tomatoes = 4000 lbs  
1 breadfruit not fruiting, 3 coconuts (2 fruiting = 20 nuts, 8 mangoes 250 doz 5 haseberries = 140 doz.

2 ac. congo peas = 15 bushels. 2 1/2 ac. cassava = 5000 lbs, 1/4 ac. sweet cassava = 900 lbs  
1/4 ac. white yam = 700 lbs 1/4 ac. other yams = 900 lbs.

1 donkey, 1 sheep, 1 swine 2 hens = 5 doz eggs

*Handwritten notes:*  
17 1/2 acres  
see p. 3.

Inform. Dudley Simpson.  
13.3.48.  
J.O.

Simpson Claston.  
His parents.  
His land.

Simpson Claston is son of Francella Simpson and late Salomon Simpson. His house is built on land which he bought from Wilbert Simpson, not on his ~~xxx~~ patrimony.

"The home that Simpson Claston live now was old Emelina Simpson old home. And Emelina Simpson die and leave it for Wilbert Simpson. The same boy in Clarendon, that is with old Robert Simpson daughter. X And Wilbert Simpson sold it to Claston Simpson." 39

For further particulars compare Fam.Rec. 52 /Robert Simpson and his children/.

Inform: Ezra Linton, Dudley Simpson, Haban Rochester.  
18.4.48.  
T.O. and J.O.

"Simpson Claston brother of Euston Simpson. Francella and Solomon his father and mother. His wife: Gertrude Powell daughter of David Powell and sister of Vincent Powell. They married around two years ago. Have 5 children?"

Their children  
in common

1. "Veverley /Beverley/ the oldest - around 10 years, she is going to school."
2. "Oneson" /Carl/ ar. 8 years, going to school."
3. "Polly - daughter - not going to school - around 6 years."
4. "Betty - next girl, around 5."
5. "A baby - a girl".

"Him have one in Clarendon - first child - around 12 year to 13. Lives with the mother in Clarendon."

"Gertrude has one child: Louise for Ambrose Holness. Louise living with the mother."

resp.  
Their/outside  
children

"The land he /Claston Simpson/ is living bought from Wilbert Rochester, son of Jacob Rochester Around 3 acres. Him get /also/ land from his father. But him settle on 3 acre that he bought from Wilbert."

The land.

"Works on the land and shopkeeping. up Shaddock Hill next shop after Lewis. Him work the land and him wife occupy the shop."

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Visit at home. Interv. Gertrude Simpson.  
24.6.48.  
T.O.

Present household:

Simpson	Claston	head.	M.	33	Shad.Hill Church of God.	W5.cult.
"	Gertrude	wife	M.	31	B.Sav.	W6 house
Holness	Louise	step-dau	S	12	"	W5 school
Simpson	Beverley	dau	S	9	Shad.Hill	W4. schoo
"	Vern	son	S	7	"	B.st. "
"	Patricia	dau	S	5	"	"
"	Evadne	dau	S	3	"	"

The house was completely empty. As all the doors were open I could see there are 3 rooms in the living house. Attached to the kitchen is another room which serves as a buttery. Near the kitchen there are a few big mangoes, A little boy - who told me he was Keith Holness- was eating some which the strong wind blew off the tree.

Near the house on the ~~parcels~~ road to Dunder Hill is Claston's shop. I went there and found Mrs. Gertrude Simpson with her smaller children. Mr. Claston-Holness a neighbour and young Vivian Witter ~~xxxx~~ were there too having a friendly talk. Mrs. Gertrude was sewing on a machine.

Gertrude is the daughter of David Powell and Edith Pcowell nee Elliott (from Ballards Valley.) For details concerning her family, brother, sisters etc. see F.R. 26.

Claston Simpson is the son of Francella Simpson and Salomon Simpson. (See F.R. 72)

Claston and Gertrude live together for "quite a number of years". They married 2 years ago. Before she started to live with Claston Gertrude had a daughter Luoise with Ambrose Holness. This child stayed for a time with Gertrude's parents, but now lives with her mother and step-father, who adopted her. (i.e. supports her.)

Gertrude has 6 children: 1 son and 5 daughters. The youngest child who is 1 year old is in Kingston with Gertrude's sister. Last year, when her little daughter was only a few months old Gertrude got typhoid fever and was taken to hospital to Mandeville. Her sister took the baby "to care for it" and the baby stays still in Kingston. Gertrude came from the hospital by the end of January. She feels very tired and hopes she won't have any more children. She wished she had more boys, but she would rather not try again. Her last girl's name is "Pat."

Gertrude spends all the day in the shop. Claston is working today in the woodlands. Claston used to have his shop lower down in the little building where Maisie Rochester lives with Witter and her 8 children.

Gertrude says they have 2½ acres "at home" which Claston bought from Wilbert Rochester. He has some more land "quite a lot" which he shares with his brothers and sisters.

I asked her what was bringing more: the shop or the land? She said "one helps the other". The business is slower now and most of the profit is made during the tomato season. There is a number of tomato sheds in the vicinity and people passing here, especially those from Ballards Valley who work in the factory often buy at her shop. However she has some regular customers who come to her even from Rabbit Town, although they have shops nearer to their homes. She either didn't know or didn't want to tell me what is the average turnover in a given period. As Claston Holness and Vivian Witter were present all the time it was difficult to get at personal "questions." She is very friendly though and I think she wouldn't mind to tell if we were alone. She told me she knew we were great friends with her brother Vincent.

Gertrude often referred to her grandfather George Powell and seemed to be very proud of him.

Her husband Claston has one outside child, whose mother was Violette Dyer. The child is in Clarendon.

J.O. 14.6.48.  
 Shaddock Hill.  
 Simpson Claston. 7.  
 16.6.48.  
 Information from Leo Johnson.

Present Household;

Simpson Claston, head., m. 33.	Shad.Hill.	Ch.God.	5th. Cult.
Gertrude, wife, m. 31.6.6.	B.S.P.		6th. Housewif
Beverley, dau., 9.	Sh.Hill		4th. Sch.
Veron, son, 7.			<del>5th</del> 1st Sch
Paterica, dau., 5.			
Eva, 3.			
Holness Louise, dau. Gertrude. 12.	B.S.P.		5th Sch.
of			

Family History.

Simpson Claston - see FamRec.72 for his ~~parentage~~ parentage. Claston Simpson had one outside son before he married Gertrude. The mother of the child was Violet Dyer, who married and lives now in Clarendon.

Simpson Gertrude is daughter of David and Edith Powell /see for her family history Fam.Rec. 26/. She had one outside child before she married by Ambrose Holness, Louise Holness, who is adopted and supported by Gertrude's husband, Claston. They married 1938.

~~House~~  
House. They have 2 apts.house, 1 kitchen, buttery and shop. 1 room occupied by husband and wife, another by children. Furniture: 3 beds, 3 chairs, 2 tables. 1 tank.  
Land and farming. They have 2,5 ac. of land at home. The rest of the land is owned in partnership with brother and sisters. Land is not d'cided as yet. ~~Home~~ Family land inherited from ~~Claston~~ their father Salamon Simpson./d./ Home land 7/2,5 ac./ bought from Wilbert Rochester. Area cultivated - 6 acres. Tress: 5 Robin mang., 4 common, 2 pears, 1 coconut. 2 nasberries. Tomatoes: 5 5000 - L.70. Yams 150 hills, diff.varieties. Cassava 3 ac. Congo 1,5 ac. - 7 bags. Red peas - 1/2 ac. All food used ~~at~~ in home. Stock: 1 donkey, 2 sheep, 3 goats, 1 pig.  
Income. Keeps shop - cant tell the amount earned.  
Expenditure. Weekly on food: L.1.10. Clothing: L.10 for adults la last year, L.2 for child. Health: L40 /transp.to hospital/.  
 Education of children 18/-.  
Religion. ~~Bible Church~~ All belong to Bible Church of God