

C.D. 22. Sbd. 14. Household 19. p. 3. 24.

Thompson	Phillip	head	M.M.	58	St. Eliz.	Col.	Ang.	X	Farmer
"	Reberta	wife	F.M.	50	11.11.	"	"	W.2.	Homemaker.
"	Phillip	son	M.S.	29	"	"	"	W.2.	tanner
"	Maud	dau	F.S.	27	2.2.	"	"	W.2.	none
"	Muriel	dau.	F.S.	24	3.3.	"	"	W.3.	none
"	Alfred	son	M.S.	22	"	"	"	X	farmer
"	Banard	son	M.S.	28	"	"	"	X	farmer
"	George	son	M.S.	27	"	"	"	X	labourer
"	Aubrie	son	M.S.	14	"	"	"	X	no (none)
"	Vivian	son	M.S.	11	"	"	"	W.1.	2.E.
"	Hedley	spn	M.S.	9	"	"	"	W.2.	3.E.
"	Calsie	dau	F.S.	3	"	"	"		
"	Wilfred	gr.son	M.S.	13	"	"	"	W.1.	3.E.
Bent	Phylis	gr.dau	F.S.	8	"	"	"	W.1.	3.E.
"	Elorene	gr.dau	F.S.	6	"	"	"	X	
Thompson	Rubie	gr.dau.	F.S.	6	"	"	"	-	
Dyer	Austin	gr.son	M.S.	2	"	"	"	-	
"	Robert	gr.son	M.S.	3/12	"	"	"	-	

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His farm in 1942.

Operates this farmland as owner or partowner for 34 years.

Owns 32 acres in 3 parcels: 13, 2½ and 16½ acres resp.

Main income from mixed farming.

No labour employed

Works 46 weeks per annum, 6 days p. week, 9 hours p.d.

8 acres in cultivation, 18 ac. cultivable but not used, 2 acres in guinea grass, 1 ac. in common grass, 1 ac. woodlands, 1 ac. other.

Total value of farm £ 300, pf buildings £ 90
1 catchment.

Cultivations:

4 rows okras = 50 doz., ½ ac. tomatoes = 2400 lbs.
1 avocado = 16 doz. 7 coconuts (5 fruiting) =
260 nuts, 11 mangoes = 100 doz. 2 cashew nuts = 12
quarts.

0.1 ac, beans = ½ bush., ¾ ac. corn = 4½ bush.,
1 ac. congo peas = 5 bush., 4½ ac. cassava = 10875 lbs.
0.1 ac cocoas = 112 lbs, ½ ac. sweet cass. = 672 lbs.

1 donkey, 9 sheep, 2 goats, 1 swine.
5 hens = 2 doz eggs.

Interviewed Phillip Thompson.

Monday.
5. 4.48.
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Present Household

Phillip Thompson	Head
Robertha do.	Wife.
Phillip do.	Son.
Muriel do	Dau.
Colcie do	
Vivian do	
Headley do	
Bernard. do	
Aubrey do	
Wilfred Rouhester	grand son.
Ruby Thompson	do dau.
Austin Dyer	do son
Robert Dyer	do.
Patrecia Dyer	do dau.
Hope do	do.
Harvey Thompson	do son.

~~Mother~~

Family History.

Mother Mary Thompson came from Plowden "Dead long time."
Father Phillip Thompson (d) "Parents were living at Plowden, when them get old, I bring them here and nurse them till them dead."

Phillip grew up in Manchester. He used to come here to his brother Charles and he met his wife here. "I love this woman and come here, married to her and live here, her affection draw me here."

Land

He bought 16½ acres from Sarah G. Lewis. "She dead long time to'. I sell 2½ acres to me son in law Calbert Dyer, and I buy 2½ more on the other side of the road." Phillip bought the 16½ acres in one piece at £6 an acre. Before he bought the land he used to rent land at New Forest. He also worked on his brother's land free fo chage.

Phillip plants cassave, corn, french bean, yam potato, cabbage, tomatoe "all sort of things." He was not able to say how many acres he had under tomatoes or how many under cassave.

The boys work on their father's land. Bernard and Audley work 2½ acres of tomatoes together. Phillip (junior) and his father work together.

This interview took place in front of the kitchen with all the children around. When the rain started I went

in the kitchen, which seems to be the central meeting place for the family. The kitchen has 2 long benches. The big sons and small grand children were all there, some sitting on the bench, some leaning against the wall gaising at me. Muriel was also there with her 3 months old baby. Mrs. Thompson was looking after the evening meal.

Informant Mrs. Thompson.

Friday.
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Calbert Dyer is Mrs. Thompson's son in law. He was born in this parish, His parents are Ellen and Willie Dyer. His mother got married 3 times and all her husbands are dead. Her maiden name ~~was~~ is Rochester. She was married first to Roy, then Simpson, then Dyer. She is old now and ~~will~~ is not thinking of a fourth marriage.

"From him was a little thing him grow in Mandeville with the white people them. Is there him learn to drive. Him was working with Allen, an English man, at Motor car and supplies. That garage burn down now."

Calbert got married in 1935. At that time they were living at Mrs. Thompson's "own place" Calbert was still working in Mandeville at the time. After he bought land near to Mrs. Thompson he built his own house and lived there. Calbert is now working as a truck driver at the factory. Hastings - the manager - owns the truck

There were ,lots of flies in the kitchen. Mrs. Thompson said it was not as bad as last year. "We had to cook at nights - too much flies."

Typhoid.

"4 more gone to hospital from the same home." The home from which the little boy died about 3 days ago. Dr. told the Dyer family not to drink the water from the tank as it was not good. They should take out the water and throw it away. "They would not hear." Two families use the same tank. Last year the typhoid broke out in one family and this year the other family got it.

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Informant Mrs. Thompson.

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Albert and Dorinda Elliott are from Ballard's Valley,
They bought land and settled in Top Bull Savannah.
Mrs. Thompson was not able to give me any further in-
formation.

Interviewed Robertha Thompson.

Present Household.

Philip Thomason	Head.	64.
Robertha do	Wife	56.
Philip do	Son.	32. ✓ +
Muriel do	Dau.	25. ✓ +
Bernard do	Son	24. ✓ +
Aubrey do	do	20. ✓
John do	do	19. ✓
Headley do	do	15. ✓
Colcie do	Dau.	10. ✓
Ruby do	G. Dau	12. ✓
McKenzie do	G. Son	7. ✓
Austin Dyer	do	7. ✓
Robert Dyer	do	5. ✓
Patricia Dyer	G. Dau.	2. ✓
Hope Dyer.	do	5 months. ✓
Wilfred Rochester	G. Son	20. ✓

Philip's children by Bereta Clarke.

Tuesday.
27. 7.48.
I.D.

Family

1. Ruby.
2. McKenzie.

Muriel's children by Ivey Dyer.

1. Bobsie (Lives with grand mother Mrs. Charles Dyer.)
2. Austin.
3. Robert.
4. Patricia.
5. Hope.

Muriel is in the Mandeville hospital. She has ~~undergone~~ undergone an operation. Hope is staying with Esther, until Muriel is better.

Aubrey's child by Maud Stephenson.

1. Infant a few weeks old. Not yet named. Their first child died.

Wilfred is the son of Vera Thompson and Claston Rocheste. Vera is Philip's outside child. She is dead. "From the day the baby born, Claston never give it a something." Vera died when Wilfred was a baby. Robertha has been taking care of him since.

Children of Philip and Robertha together,

1. Philip - Member of this household.
2. Edith 34. Wife of Calbert Dyer (F.R.) Has 6 children
3. Maud Rochester - Green Olive 1 child.
4. Alfred - Marrieff and living at New Forrest.
5. Muriel - Member of this household.
6. Bernard do
7. Esther Miller. - Green Olive.
8. Aubrey - Member of this household.

Philip and Robertha's children (cont.)

- 9. John - Member of this household.
- 10. Headley do.
- 11. Colcie do.

Mrs. Edith Dyer is also in the Mandeville hospital.

Latrine.

Philip and Headley were working on the latrine. Philip was taken before the courts for it. The Judge gave him extra time to build it. Robertha said Banton the Sanitary Inspector was very hard.

The other boys were out in the fields.

Means of living :

Apart from cultivating Philip does tanning. Philip Junior is also engaged in the tannery business. He has a small Apiary. Owing to the drought he has not been able to extract any honey. "The bees can't get any honey."

The boys help in the upkeep of the home.

Family

Philip's children by other unions.

- 1. Leslie. His mother is from New Port. "But is I raise him. Leslie is married to Ivy Thompson, daughter of Charles Thompson.
- 2. Mavis.- Kingston. Her mother was from Port Antonio. (She was not able to give names.)
- 3. Vera. (dead) Her mother is also from New Port.

Children.

Robertha's babies started to teethe at 4 or 5 months. "A rub the gum with sugar and make he teeth pop out easy. Or give them raw saltfish to suck. Salt fish make them pop out easy." Whoever finds out that he child is teething, has to give it a present. Some children have sores in the head during the teething period. Chicken bush and damsel weed are boiled used to make a lotion which is used to wathe the sores. Some babies suffer from diarrhoea "You caan stop the lose bowels, till the teetht come out."

Weaning and feeding.

Sheweans her babies at 9 months. "Some nurse them longer, but it is not necessary. She rubs her breast with allows to prevent the child sucking it. At 6 months babies are given oat meal porridge or shredded oats.

She does not feed the babies anytime they cry. When they are in a temper, she holds them in her arms until they stop crying. She does not allow her babies to fall asleep by themselves. "They will fall asleep, but a pre-

fer to hush them."

The bigger children help to dress the small ones

Origin of baby.

The older children are not told when Robertha is expect^ting another baby. She has never told them of ~~the~~ baby's origin. "When they get big, experience will teach them."

Children's attitude to their parents.

"Children act according to how you bring them up." If Philip was out and the children misbehaved, Robertha would tell them that if their behaviour did not improve she would tell him about it. That did not help. "You know children all over, You not to make you children "fraid a you. You must make them love you.

Patricia.

Patricia wanted to go home with Betsy Thompson who called for a kerosene tin. Ruby took her back. Patricia clung to Robertha's skirts and cried.

Information from Lillian Powell.
Interv. Philip Thompson.
21.6.48.
J.O. 21.7.48.

Present household. /15 people together/.

- Thompson Philip, 64.
- Thompson Fedrica, wife, 56.
- Thompson Philip, son, 36.
- Thompson Aubrey, son 26. +
- Thompson Muriel, dau. 28.
- Thompson Bernard, son, 30. +
- Thompson Vivian, son, 18.
- Thompson Headley, son, 16.
- Thompson Calcie, dau. 10.
- Thompson Ruby, Philip's junior dau., 11.
- Thompson Mackenzie, Philip's junior son, 7.
- Dyer Adton, Muriel's son, 7.
- Dyer Robert, " " 5.
- Dyer Patricia, Muriel's dau., 3.
- Dyer Hope, " " 5 months.

+ Wilfred Rochester
son, son of 20
a dead dau.
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Philip Thompson, senior: Father Philip Thompson/d/, mother Mary Thompson /d/. Brother: Charlie Thompson, living across the road. Philip Thompson lives in the place where was the original Thompsons' house. As the younger son he succeeded to the paternal home.

Fedrica Thompson: father Aaron Rochester, mother Ann Rochester /both dead/. Her brothers: Aaron and James Rochester, both alive, living in B.S. in vicinity. 3 sisters: Mahala Thompson /married Charlie Thompson, her husband's brother/; Judith - married Hubert Moses Elliott; Jane - married Charles Powell in Tad Town.

Philip and Fedrica had 13 children, out of which 11 are alive.

Philip Thompson's outside children /Senior/: Philip Thompson senior has 3 outside children, all alive. They are: Leslie Thompson, whose mother was Dorothy Brown in New Fort. Leslie lives in B.S., see Fam.Rec. 100.

Mavis Thompson, whose mother was Ethel Rud in Kingston. Mavis lives in Kingston.

Thompson George: his mother is Edith Sinclair, c.l. wife of John Powell in B.S., Overroad. George lives with his mother and step-father.

Philip Thompson junior has 4 children - all outside. They are: Ruby Thompson and Mckenzie Thompson, living with the father in the grandparental home. Their mother is Ina Medley in Bog. Two other children: Hazett Thompson and Blossom Thompson live with their mother who is Bereta Clarke, daughter of David Clarke in T.B.S. See Fam.Rec. 213.

Muriel Thompson has 5 children for Ivi Dyer, son of Charles Dyer in ~~King~~ Green Olive. Ivi ~~Thomp~~ Dyer is in Kingston. he is a tailor. 4 of their children stay with the mother, one - Babsie Dyer - is with the paternal grand-
parentst in Green Olive.

Travels: Philip junior and Bernard went in 1945 to U.S.A. used their savings f or cultivations.

House, ladv, occupations.

This is a big house: 5 rooms. Furniture: 5 beds, 2 chairs, 3 tables, 1 sewing machine. L kitchen. 1 latrine. L tank. 1 bees apiary.

Lands: 19,5 acres owned by Philip Thompson, senior, in 2 lots: 3,5 acres inherited from the parents, and 16,5 acres bought from Sarah Lewis in 1906.

Trees: 9 mangoes, 7 coconuts, 2 pears, 12 sweet saps. Cultivations: 3000 hiles tomatoes, £11. 100 hills yams. 1/2 acre cassava, 1 acre congo, 1/4 acre red peas, corn. 1 ch. sq. escallion.

Animals: 1 steer, 4 sheep, 1 goat, 2 dogs, 1 cat, 3 hens.

Trades: Philip Thompson is a tanner and does tanning. Only £12 were earned during the pastx year.

Spending: 60/- is spent weekly for fish, meat, food and groceries. £40 was spent for the past year on clothing. £4 on medical treatment. £2 on education.

Religion. All the family Jehovañ Witnesses.

School: Calcie and Astin Dyer go to school. Calcie is in 2nd book, Astin in the 1st.

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