

D.D. 22. Sbd. 8. Household 21.

Lewis Philip	Head	M.Cl.	34	St.El.	Col.	Ang.	W.2.	Farmer
Rochester Eva	wife	F.Cl.	26	1.1.	"	"	W.2.	homemaker
Lewis Aneita	da	F.S.	10	"	"	"	W.3.	3.E.
" Gamelin	son	M.S.	2	"	"	"		

His farm in 1942.

Operates this farmland as owner or part owner for 18 years.

Owns 7 acres in 4 parcels: 1.5 - 1.5 - 2.5 and 1.5 resp.

Main income from tomatoes.

No labour employed.

Works 49 weeks p.a.

11 acres

p. 2.

3 acres in cultivation. 1.5 ac. cvable but not use. 0.5 ac. in guinea grass. 1.5 ac woodland used as pasture. 0.5 ac. other land.

Total value of farm L50, buildings L20
1 catchment.

0.2 ac. cabbages = 900 heads. 0.5 ac. toma-
t@s = 2600 lbs.
4 avocados = 21 doz. 2 breadfruits = 4.5doz.
3 coconuts = 150 nuts. 1 lime = 20 doz.
4 mangoes /3 fruiting/ = 92 doz.
1 cashew nut = 1 quart.

0.75 ac. congo peas = 3 bush. 0.75 ac. cas-
sava = 1000 lbs. 0.5 ac. sweet pot. = 784 lbs.
0.2, ac. tobacco = 250 lbs.

1 sheep. 6 goats. 1 swine. 5 hens =
20 doz. eggs.

Eva Lewis & Philip Lewis interviewed

Present Household.

Philip Lewis. Head.
 Eva Lewis. Wife
 Aneita Lewis Dau.
 Gamelin do Son.
 Lenora do Dau.
 Genevieve do Dau.

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"One other child dead. She did not get any name. Only live for 1 day."

Family History.

Eva
 . ~~Miriam's~~

Mother Jane Rochester (d) Father James Rochester (d)
 Mother's mother Georgiana Powell. Mother's father Benjamin Powell from Tadd Town. Father's mother Ann Rochester. Father's father "really don't remember his name."

Philip's mother Eliza Powell. Father Daniel Lewis died in California. Mother's mother Elizabeth Powell. Mother's father. "I know nothing at all about him,"

Land.

Philip said he had about 11 acres of land. 2 acres were given him by his grand father "it left in will." He bought the remainder of the land.

Philip cultivates the land on share with Sidney Stephenson. They planted about 2½ thousand tomatoe trees but owing to the drought he did not get a very good crop. "Lease 8¼ acres from Lewis Stephenson of Top Hill. Two of us lease it Philip Stephenson a borther of Lewis and me."

Philip spent 5 months in the hospital with Typhoid. When he left the hospital he was not able to work. "Was ~~still~~ still weak. Up to now the body not perfect yet. If I work too hard I get a break down.

Rainfall and planting.

"If we d@d get this rain a few weeks a back, we would just begin to get tomatoe money now. The best thing that was ever done for Bull Savannah, is the carrying of the water from the river up ~~there~~."

The interview took place in the field where Philip and 2 of his children were busy planting corn and peas. Philip dug the hole, one of the little boys dropped the peas in the hole and the little girl covered it with earth. Philip said he had to teach them to do planting at an early age. When he was ready to plant the

corn. Gamelin ~~kaixhixwheraxtixpiantixix~~ suggested to his father where he should plant the corn. Philip looked up at me quite proudly/and took Gamelin's advice.

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Philip has a bombay mango tree in full bloom. He sells the fruit 1/- per dozen. "People from all around come here and buy. They take it up to Kingston."

House

Philip's new house which he had been building for the past 6 years is not completed. It is a two roomed house with french windows and a zinc roof. The floors are of wood. The house is very neatly made. Approximate cost is £200. He does not have any furniture for the house. He says he is going to buy "a few things" for the house. When he has the furniture he will move in the new house with his family.

Outside child

Aneita's mother is Amy Rose Elliott from Ballard's Valley. She is now living in Vere. Amy came to see Aneita about two weeks ago. "I living with my father from I was about 2 1 year old." Aneita's grand mother - father's mother - Eliza Powell took care of her. "After me grand mother died, me father sister/was living here." Ana is now living in Kingston. Then afterward with Goddie Eva, till him married to Goddie Eva now." Is Mrs. Lewis your god mother? "Yes, is she stand for me."

/ Ana Lewis

Philip built the tank on his land.

Religion.

"There is so much ^econtrovrsy in religion now. So I think the best religion is me heart. That preacher passing remarks about that one, and he other preacher passing remarks about the other one. I really can't follow them for / is all the educated man them doing it. All of them quoting the Bible and all of them serving one man. You have men who going to church from them small. Them learn to read them bible. The Parson take out him text and you see what part of the Bible it come from. Now him become a old man him say him just find the truth."

"One of the Present Truthman" (Jehova's Witness) come to me. Him telling me that the scripture say that false prophets will come and will deceive even the wise and prudent. Me say to him. Well me don't sure if you is not the false prophet. Every body come preaching, how can I know who is false?

Bearing the Cross.

Typhoid has again broken out in the district. "Them say

is the flies that breed in the tomatoe slush but I don't believe is that, for when I was in the hospital 9 people come in from one home. The place where them come from, ~~is far from~~ them don't have any tomatoe up there."

"Christ alone cannot bear the cross. Mortal have them part to bear. So when it come, you just have to take it easy."

Marriage.

Philip got married in 1943. "According to the law of the land marriage bring the wife and children lawful to what you have. If the man dead and him not married to the woman, the next heir can come in and claim every thing. That would not be fair to your children. I feel that if a man see a woman and love her, and take her to wife, and you live peacefully and not riotously. I don't see nothing wrong in that."

When Isaac married, him go to another land and take a wife. Me never hear him go before no Parson!

Mother's tomb.

His mother is buried on his land some distance behind the house.

On tht tomb is written " Sacred to the memory of Eliza Powell, who was born April 20, 1883. & died March 31, 1935. Not in my innocent I trust. I bow before thee to the dust. But through my Saviour's blood alone, I look for mercy at the throne.

R.I.P.

Top Bull Savannah.

Family Record 204.

Interviewed Eva and Aneita Lewis.

Present Household

Philip Lewis	Head		
Eva	do	Wife	About 40.
Aneita	do	Dau.	17.
Gamelin	do	Son	8.
Lenora	do	Dau,	4.
Genevieve	do	do	3.

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Philip's children by Aimee Elliott.

1. Aneita, (Member of this household)
2. Cynthia. (Lives with Adalaid Elliott; Aimee's mother, at Ballard's Valley.)

Aimee Elliott is now living at Vere.

His child by Lettice Roye: 1. Olga. She lives with Letti
in a tub

Eva was washing clothes/behind the kitchen. She had to do "a little Saturday washing". Eva had just bought soap "As a get it this morning, a have to rub out few piece. Stoll have plenty for next week.all the same."

Children:

Children teethe when they are 6, 8, or 9 months. "Some-time them have running a belly and flying out in a~~t~~ the head." i.e. diarrhoea, and sores in the head. "If them start to teethe with running belly, you ~~start~~ caan stop it.till them done teethe." Babies are given presents, when they begin to teethe. The baby ~~sometimes~~ ~~bitesthe~~ mother ~~whenthey~~ ~~are~~ sometimes, while being nursed. They are not slapped for this. "What you would do with a baby. You caan do him one thing."

Thumb sucking.

Her children never sucked their fingers. "Mothers try all different ways to stop them, but them caan do it, till them stop themself."

Eva does not teach her babies to walk.

Crying:

"Some of them love the hand. You have to make them stay de/till them phist up themself. You caan give way to baby, when you have you business to do." If the baby cries after it ~~has~~ ~~just~~ been fed, she knows that it could not be hungry.

/cry

After the baby is 9 days old the bigger children help Eva to take care of it. Aneita helps her all the time.

Origin of baby.

Eva tells her children that the baby comes by aeroplane. "But them don' believe." When she is having a baby the

children stay around the house. "If is night, them sleep-
 ing the room. After them sleeping, them don know what
 a happen." Aneita said "If them wake up, send them out-
 sided." Eva and Aneita laughed when this was said.
 I asked Aneita if she had ever seen a woman giving birth.
 She said no. Eva said it was not right for a young girl
 to see that. "It is not a pretty thing to see. Young
 girls ~~s~~ just should not see that. It is just not done.
 It should not be done." Eva was quite emphatic about
 this. I asked if the girl would be afraid of having chil-
 dren, if she saw another woman in pain. "No, not that;
 it is just not prpper." Aneita said "It is only a rule
 by the ~~six~~ people."

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Weaning.

Eva weans her babies at 18 months. Some are given the
 breast for 2 years. At 3 months the babies are given
 milk, At 4 months porridge. Porridge is made of corn
 meal, quaker oats of cassava starch. "Make the cassava
 moul'y, and then wash out the starch." Aneita said
 children thrived on corn meal.

Eva has never rubbed anything on her breast to prevent
 the babies from taking it. "Some people rub allows on it,
 but me make up me mind not to give them ~~i~~ when them cry.

She does not have a special feeding time for the baby.
 "Any time them cry, and you know that them hungry, you
 feed them. If you just done feed them and them cry,
 you know that is not hungry."

Elder children's treatment of the baby.

When the baby is 3 or 4 months old and it is able to
 laugh, the other children plays with it. They are not
 allowed to play with it before. Aneita said "Them handle
 it too rough."

Aneita looks after the smaller ones when Eva has a baby.
 If she were not there, Eva would have to get a maid.

Children - a blessing.

poor people

Eva said "Children a/blessing, me dear, make me tell
 you that. You want to find it out, make me lay down in
 de sick. Stranger will come, and cock up them nose.
 Your own naa do that. Well, some will do it, and some
 will stay. If is ~~iw~~ even one will stan' up side a ~~me~~."

"You think it easy fe bring a child come here. You have
 one and you see how every part a you stretch fe bring it.

Quarrels and Fights.

Lenora and Gamlin fight all the time. Eva generally flog^s
 both of them. Aneita stated "Sometime them fight over
 one mango." Gamlin calls Lenora "Jumper" He knows
 she does not like it, and that a fight would be started.
~~X&amx~~ "Lenora beat him any day." Gamelin is older.

Dressing children.

Lenora and Genevieve cannot dress themselves. "they can bathe themself but them will leave on a little dirt."

The greater part of this interview took place in the kitchen. Eva was boiling clothes and Aneita scraping cassava.

Elsa Simpson, daughter of Judith Roye came to the kitchen. She said she wanted thatch to finish a hat she had started. She sang quietly a song she had sung for me already at Philip Stephenson's house. I comended her then, on/lovely voice. I had to do it again before she would stop singing. I also told her sometime ago that she did her plaiting very quickly, hence her talking about the thanch she needed.

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Genevieve came to the kitchen shortly before I left. She was very shy.

Walking:

Eva said "Some take 2 years, some t/ake 9 months according to how them bring up. Some baby slow." She does not teach her children to walk. "Cotch them up in a box, make them sit down. Then them come out and creep, and them hold on anything till them can walk. You think a little trouble you have with pickney, It not easy. I tell you, youhave one, and you will know every thing."
