

New Family in Shaddock Hill.

Visit: 18.4.48. Present: Met Ebanks and her brother Luther.  
Informants: Dudley Simpson and Bradley Rochester.  
21.4.48.

T.O. and J.O.

*leave*

*Ebanks*

Arton Facey and  
Met Ebanks  
Their home.

This is a new family. Their house and kitchen are built on a small plateau on Shaddock Hill in a secluded place, just on a ridge saddle descending into Tad Town, Valley.

*Ebanks*

Arton Facey is known in the village under the nickname: "Black Arton". He is black, and his wife Met is black also.

"Him come from Exton and his mother is Daisy Facey, - she living in Exton - and his name is Arton."

"Him was working in the factory, Major Moxsy time. He was a fireman - split wood and in the cannery. Him working over there, him met the same girl and get in friendship with him. He went over to Tad Town to live-around seven years now."

~~F.R. 238~~

"He was living Bulu Ebanks home, with the same girl. We call her Met, but she is Ebanks. He is Bulu Ebanks daughter and Lora Ebanks his wife."

"Then settled down two years now. Him get a bit of money and him get a piece of land from Charlie Powell, Tad Town." Charlie Powell's house is in the Tad Town valley just below Black Arton's new home.

"Him never go to America. Work tomato on people land on share. And him bought a piece of land and him make a house and marry the girl."

"They have two children and another child of Bulu Ebanks family is staying with them."

The house is a two room one. The kitchen made entirely of thatch with the usual fire place across the narrower wall.

There is no catchment and tank and no latrine.

Interviewed Vinetta Ebanks

Present House hold

Arton Ebanks	Head	
Vinetta Ebanks	Wife	23
Merton Ebanks	Son	6

The house & Kitchen

Was built about ~~four~~ four years ago . It is spanish walled with thatched roof. The family live in one room that has been completed , the other is left to be finished. The house is built on Arton's land .

The kitchen is spanished- walled too , but not the refined type . Some parts of the kitchen are surrounded with coconut leaves . Vinetta was in her kitchen plaiting straw and looking about her evening meal .

Source of living

Her husband Arton is a fisherman and a cultivator . Arton does not have his own boat . He goes to the sea with William Brooks (see F. R. 253) ~~He~~ Arton has his own pdds . They go to the sea three times for the week when the weather is fair . They do their fishing at Alligator Pond .

Her husband plants , tomato , corn , peas, and sassa-va . She does not know ~~what~~ what portion of the things her husband plants . He does not work on shares with any one , and he cultivates on his own land . In the crop Arton works at the factory . He "run the boiler " . She does not know how he was paid at the factory .

She used to work at the factory too , in the shed at 2/- per day . She is not working now , only "plait little straw " and sell at 5d for 16 yds.

Her husband has one donkey , one pig "and the one goat we did have me sell it this morning .

Her Family History

Laura Ebanks her mother alive . From Tadd Town

Charles Ebanks her father alive . From T. T.

Her grand & parents

Maria Powell , her mother's mother

Horatio Powell her mother's father

Sapphira Martin her father's mother

Charles Ebanks her father's father

Children for her Parents

Victoria Ebanks

Ethlyn Ebanks

Violet banks

Daniel Ebanks

Aaron Ebanks

Luther Ebanks

Herself

Her father has three outside children . They are :-

Clarice Ebanks by Rachel Francis .

Pearlie Ebanks by Doris (she does not remember Doris' Surname )

-~~Janey~~ Janey Ebanks by Ethel Elliott.

The children for her father and mother live at home .

Winetta

Grew with her mother and father . She did not achieve to a high standard at school owing to the fact that she had to stop very often to help her mother with the smaller children, as she was the biggest girl. She read to the 1st standard , then her time in school was up and she had to leave .

She never worked with any one , she helped at home with the home work . She met Arton in Bull Savannah, and they became friends . She got pregnant for Arton and had her first baby . Four years ago Arton built his house and came to live in Bull Savannah . Arton is from Junction She and Arton were living together for three years before they were married , at the house that her husband has made

They got married one year and three months ago , at the Anglican Church at Bull Savannah, by the Revd. Immanuel. The wedding was quite a big one . They had guests coming from Junction , Ballards Valley , Top and Bottom Bull Savannah. They did not drive to church , they walked . The Reception was held at her mother's house at Tadd Town .

At the Reception they had one cake , and bread , with coconut boiled with sugar , making a kind of jam or jelly. They had plenty fruits also. They had a "show bread that took the form of an alligator .

Her husband

Her Husband

Arton's/ mother is from Junction . She is Sitta Face Facey. He does not know his father . His mother is alive and still living at Junction . Her husband bought the land he is living on from Charles Powell , but she does not know how much he paid for it .

Information from Leo Powell.  
Intrev. Arton and Vinetta Ebanks.  
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Presnt household.

Ebanks Arton, 28.  
Ebanks Vinetta, 21. wife.  
Ebanks Merton, 6, son.

Ebanks Arton is outside son of Elisha Ebanks and Sitta Gordon. Was brought up in the mother's home.  
Half siblings: Curdel Barns, Exton - by mother. Moxy Ebanks - by father.

Ebanks Vinatta is daughter of Charles Ebanks and Laura Ebanks. Her full siblings: Victoria, Ethline, Violet, Luther, Aaron, Daniel Ebanks - all living in Tad Town.

Marrigge, children. They became friends in 1940, lived together from 1942, married in 1946. Have only one child, Merton, living with them. No outside children.

House, land, farming.

House: 2 rooms, thatch roof. 1 kitchen. No tank. Furniture poor: 1 bed, 2 tables, 2 chairs.

Land: Has only 1 acre of homeland. Works on Charlie Thompson's land on 50% share.

Cultivations: 3000 tomatoes, L40. 1/2 acre cassava, 1/2 ac. red peas, 25 yam hills /mosella/.

Animals: 1 donkey, 1 goat.

Fishing: does fishing with a partner, has 8 pots for himself. Goes to sea twice a week.