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Clair	James	head	M.S. 35	St. Elizab.	colour.	Angl.	X	farmer
"	Virginia	sist.	F.S. 30	"	"	"	X	family help
"	Doris	sist.	F.S. 33	"	"	"	X	none
"	Fredrick	neph.	M.S. 6	"	"	"	X	
"	Catherine	niece	F.S. 4	"	"	"		
"	Vincent	neph.	M.S. 7/12	"	"	"		
"	Headley	son	M.S. 3	"	"	"		
Simpson	David	uncle	M.S. 70	"	"	"	X	farmer

(No form 2 or 3 for this household to be found).

(should look under Simpson David)

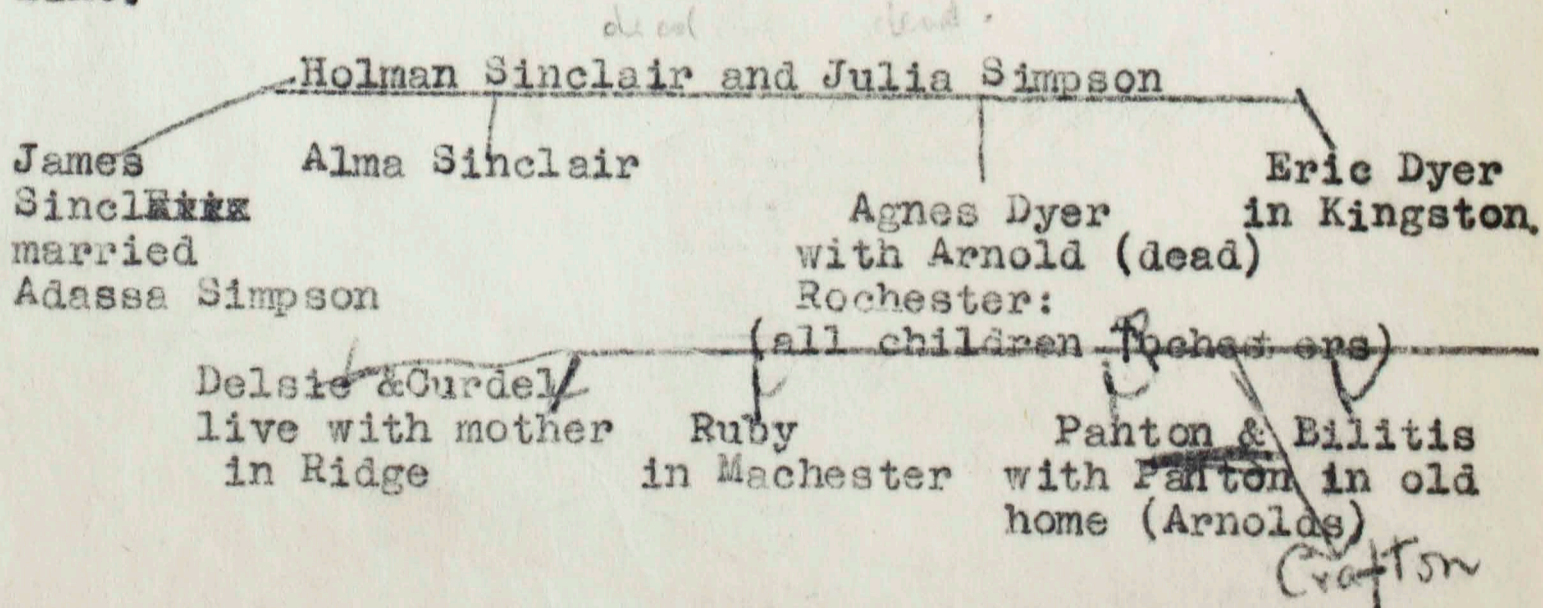
James p. 1.

In Ribbit Town.

Mr. James married a few months ago Adassa ^{Rochester} Simpson. ~~Maxia~~ Her mother is Cinderella Simpson (now living with Aaron Rochester) and her father was Joseph Rochester (dead) son of Arthur Rochester. Adassa was working for the last few years in New Forest. James is putting up a new house behind the old one. This will be for himself and his wife.

The land - about 7 acres - was bought by his father from the Clarke family. No members of this family are left round there, some are in Top Bull Savannah.

A "family tree" given by James' niece Delsie Rochester - it is not complete as it gives only the maternal line.



She did not mention other children of Holman with other than her grandmother women. Asked about other children of her father she said "they are in many parishes".

C.D. 22. Sbd. 12. Household 46.

Sinclair James	Head	M.S. 35.	St. El.	Col.	Angl.	Ill.	Farmer
„ Virginia	Sist.	F.S. 30.	„	„	„	„	Fam. help
„ Doris	Sist.	F.S. 33.	„	„	„	„	None
„ Frederick	Neph.	M.S. 6.	„	„	„	„	
„ Catherine	Niece	F.S. 4.	„	„	„	„	
„ Vincent	Neph.	M.S. 7/12.	„	„	„	„	
„ Headley	Son	M.S. 3.	„	„	„	„	
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His farm in 1942.

Under one acre.
 3 swine . 1 goat.
 Garden crop value \$ 12.
 1 ackee = 7 doz. 1 avocado = 4 doz.
 1 breadfruit = 2 doz.
 1 coconut = 40 doz.
 5 mangoes = 160 doz. 2 naseberries = 70 doz.

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to be changed into No "2"

Inform. Dudley Simpson
13.3.48.
J.O.

James Sinclair Junior.

James Sinclair junior is brother to Phillip Sinclair, who lives close to his house. They both are sons of late Hammon Sinclair, brother of old James, "Usine", and late Thomas Sinclair.

Inform. Dudley Simpson.
9.4.48.
T.O. & J.O.

James' father -
Hammon Sinclair.

James Sinclair's house is in Ribbit Town. "Him (James Sinclair) succeed old Hammon Sinclair, brother of old James Sinclair. About 5 years since he (Hammond) died. Suffered from stoppage. He couldnt pee. Always sent for Newell from Junction. He come with a pipe and take the water away. Give him a little care. But as him (Ne well) gone - it (the stoppage) come back."

Children of Hammon
Sinclair, and his
wives.

Hammon Sinclair didnt have any children with his wife Jane nee Clarke. He had however 5 outside children: 4 by ~~Elizabeth~~ Julia Simpson and one (Phillip) by Eliza Salmon.

"His (Hammon's) children: Phillip Sinclair then Alma Sinclair - James Sinclair - the Doris Sinclair, then Gina Sinclair. (2 sns and 3 daughters)."

Julia Simpson.

"Him marry but him never have any children by him wife but by a next woman. Him get Alma, Doris Gina and James by old Robert Simpson's sister Julia"

Eliza Salmon
& her children

"Phillip now by Liza Salmon. Him (Liza) was an old black woman whom live at Amanada Rochester home. Amanada Rochester is to call Liza Salmon mother. I know him (Liza) since I am born. I know him to live there."

"Hammon Sinclair give him one child and Mr. Laban's father (Thomas Rochester) give him (to Eliza) some children too: Hubert Rochester Amanda Rochester, Dovie Rochester and Thomas Rochester. We call him (Thomas Rochester junior) "Lassy".

"And Zekiel Simpson - Francella Simpson husband - give him two children: Cinderella Simpson and "Sambo" Simpson. Cinderella still alive live with Aaron Rochester. And "Sambo" - him die."

"Him (Sambo) live where Euston Simpson (lives now). Him went to Cuba, took sick, come back and die. That land (on which Sambo used to live) him father give him. that land passed to Euston Simpson."

Thomas Rochester,
Hubert Rochester, ~~Thax~~
and Dovie Rochester
children of Eliza
Salmon by Thomas
Rochester.

"Hubert Rochester - was father of Eglon Rochester. Him (Hubert) die. Just around the hill (His house is) Him didn't get it from him father - Must have buy it from somebody."

"Dovie Rochester (girl) him mother of David Powell who lives in Green Olive."

"Thomas Rochester - Lassy - him living right now in Vere. Long ago that him leave from here. No woman, no child left here."

Hammon Sinclair's
wife: Jane Clarke.

"Hammon Sinclair wife come from Alligator Pond. She was Jane Clarke. She had no children for old Hammon Sinclair."

James Sinclair Wife:
Adassa Rochester.

"James Sinclair married last year. Adassa Rochester him wife. She is the daughter of the same Cinderella Simpson (wife of Aaron Rochester) and Joseph Rochester, husband of Martha Rochester, was him father."

James Sinclair
outside son with
Elleen Simpson

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James Sinclair is a relative in law of Dudley Simpson as he had an outside son - before he married Adassa Rochester - with Dudley's sister Elleen. The boy's name is Headley Sinclair and he live with his father. James Sinclair had no other children.

"He was along with my sister. He got one pickenny with my sister Elleen. The boy living with him father - Headley Sinclair"

Why James didnt marry your sister?
"Must have some fault - I don't know. I had some fuss. Didn't agree."

Virgina and
Doris Sinclair-
daughters of Ham-
mond Sinclair &
Julia Simpson.

"Doris living now up at old David Simpson. Is the same girl I told you one is dumb and one is a cripple. Doris and Gina (Virginia) living in one home. David Simpson - being their uncle,- him make a little provision for them and they make one rush. And James Sinclair help them and sister Alma."

"The girl Doris cant do no work, but Gina ~~xxx~~
~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ the dumb - can do a little: she has 5 children."

~~Children of Virgina
and Doris Sinclair & their
fathers.~~

Children of Virginia Sinclair & their fathers.

"Dalson Sinclair from Ribbit is the father of 4 and one for a next man in Balacclava Mountains. All the children with her. (live with her.) Two died She had twin. Then the two died. Has now two for Dalson and one for the Balacclava man. That one (the child for the Balacclava man) living with James Sinclair. James Sinclair took it. Three children alive out of five."

Children in James Sinclair

He tricks. But everyman not one temperament."

Adassa the wife of James Sinclair.

"James has no children with Adassa (his wife)." In James' home now are living 4 people: himself, his wife, his own son he had with Eileen Simpson - Headley Sinclair and the child he took from his sister Virginia. Him have a little land room, from him father. Him trying him best, could be a better

"James Sinclair's wife Adassa is one of the candidates in the Bible Church of God. She is no fool. She dont have no children at all. She was in friendship (before she married) with Euford Powell (down Hubert Powell, just below the packing house) Phillip Thompson (Top Bull Savannah). She was living with a boy in Rose Corner. She come back home and live ther (in Bull-Sav.) and James Sinclair marry to her"

"Eufort Powell - he is son of Hubert Powell brother's. Him (Hubert's brother) name is Percy Powell - Percival Powell."

Alma Sinclair the laughter of Hammon inclair & Julia Simpson.

"Alma Sinclair - she is along with Joseph Dyer. Before - she was with Richard Edward. She had for him ~~xxxxxx~~ 3 children: ~~xxxxxx~~ Eric, Clissa, and "Sonny" - the youngest ~~xxx~~ one."

Richard Edwards had also another son - George - by Phema Sinclair. He doubted his paternity ~~wit~~ ~~withx~~ in regardx to "Sonny" and owned only Eric and Clissa.

All these children are staying now with their mothers. George is with his mother Phema Sinclair. Eric was for a period of time with his father, but after a quarrell went back to his mother. Clissa was always ~~xxx~~ with his mother and so is "Sonny".

"Eric and George them staying with them father But it happen that them unrulz and leave them father. But Clissa and Sonny stay with them mother."

Richard Edwards left Alma Sinclair when he fell in love with another woman. "Richard marry another woman from Leeds. Him make a mistake. Alma ~~xxx~~ would be better. Much better. That is an old-old ~~xxx~~ woman."

Richard Edwrds and his old wife.

"We (i.e. Dudley Simpson and Richard Edwards) use to sell in Mandeville twist tobacco - jackass rope call it. In the market. She (Richard's present wife) was a maid for the postmistress. She work in cool and use powder and look pretty and young. But when she come in the sun - she is an old black woman."

"Since Edwards gone over to 7Day Adventist him trying to do the best of him life. But before then didn't live nice at all. Just quarrel - home trouble - ridiculous. The woman get old and Richard young - sometime refuse. Old age and young do not agree - she was no good."

"Since him find life - he keep neutral. Him go back to the same Alma Sinclair. He was along with Ida Rochester - Nicolas Rochester's daughter. But she (Ida) is now in Vere. Living with a man."

Thursday.

1. 7. 48.
D. B.

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Family Record 43

Interviewed Adassah Sinclair .

Present House hold .

James Sinclair	Head	(does not know age)
Adassah Sinclair	Wife	32
Fredrick Simpson	Nephew of	10
	James	
Headley Sinclair	Son to James	9

The house .

It is made of spanish wall, with roof of thatch . It has one room . The house was owned by his father Hermon Sinclair . His father left the house and the land he is now living on for him . There is another house in the yard that is only half done . It was used as ~~an~~ an out house by his father , but he will be turning it in to a dwelling house , because it is bigger than the one he is living in at present . It will take "plenty money fe finssh it $\frac{1}{2}$, but me wi' have fe take it little , 1 little " . He has bought some board to work on it , but that will no be ~~a~~ enough .

The kitchen is spanish wall too with thatched roof Nothing of the inside of the house or kitchen could be seen . The house ~~was~~ was always shut and going to the kitchen once Adassah met me at the door .

Source of living .

Does not work to support herself any longer , her husband supports her . Before she was married she used to do domestic's work . ~~she~~ she worked twice with Mrs Marion Johnson , three years at first and then for ~~tx~~ four months . She used to work at 12/- per month . She worked also with her sister Gertrude Rochester in St. Catherine doing domestic's work at 12/- per month . She was also selling as a clerk in her brother's shop in Portland . Her brother is Arton Rochester . She was not paid in cash , "but me brother give me any thing me want

Family history .

Cindy Simpson her mother (alive)

Joseph Rochester her father (dead)

Her mother's children for Joseph Rochester are :-

Herself

Arton Rochester

Mother's children for Aaron Rochester are, those alive:-

Michael Rochester
Ezekeil Rochester

Gertrude Rochester

Berdel Elliott (nee Rochester)

Mother's children for Johnny Linton are:-

Henrick Simpson

Kenneth Simpson - both children are named after their mother Simpson. Adassah does not know why her mother did not name them after the father.

Arton - is still keeping shop in Portland.

Michael and Ezekiel are at home cultivating for themselves.

Gertrude is living in Kingston. She is working, but Adassah does not know what work she is doing.

Berdel has her own home at Ballards & Valley, she is married to Sam Elliott.

Kenneth and Henricks are at home with their mother.

Adassah grew with her aunt Amanda Rochester. Her aunt took her "from me a little baby from me mother". She went to school and read to the 3rd. standard. Her aunt next put her to stay with Sarah Sandison at Lowland as a "school girl". She stayed with Sarah for two years then she left and went home to her mother. She did not go back to her aunt after leaving Sarah, she went to her mother instead.

"A no nothing make me no did go back to me aunt". It was after returning from Sarah that she went to work with Mrs Johnson. She went to her brother in Portland after leaving Mrs Johnson. She stayed one year in Portland, but had to leave, as she could not keep "good health" there. She went next to her sister Gertrude in St. Catherine and worked for three years. After leaving her sister she returned to Bull Savannah. At Bull Savannah she worked again with Mrs Johnson for four months then she stopped.

Asthma

Adassah has been sick for quite a while. She has been to Doctor three times, Doctor Williams and Mais. She got help, but cannot get better altogether. "We can hardly do any hard work, for me short winded and when me work too hard it start the cold 'pon me."

Her marriage

She got married a year ago. She lived one year at James' house before they were married. They were married at the Anglican Church by Rev. Immanuel. At the wedding there were many people, but all the people were from Bull Savannah. "We didnt have any car a the wedding because a walk we walk foot go a the church".

Anglicans

Friday .
2. 7. 48.
D. B.

Interviewed James Sinclair .

Source of living.

James is a x cultivator , planting tomato, yam, cassava peas and corn . He makes his living from what he plants , the chief crop being the tomato . The other crops are for his home use . Formerly he used to plant tobacco , but since "the tomato come in we no worry much with tobacco again " . Tomato did not pay him so well . "First time we couldn't/x ~~xxxx~~ any thing much , but a since you see the tomato come in that people caan get money fe handle . I' help plenty people well, and them little boy and gal wey no did know money caan handle money now . Them no did know money ya , till tomato come in " .

make/

He made a "little money off a the tomato this year but i' done , me have fe use i' off fe get lumber fe the house . So me have fe wait till me get more before me caan gwan with i' further " .

Land .

James ' father left 7½ acres of land for all the children . James has divided it between the four of the them . e has a portion of land that his grand father Augustus Simpson left for James's mother , and his mother left it for him . The land that his mother was living on is left for the girls . The land left by his f grand father is in the woods , but James does not know the portion of it . He cultivates on his land at home , and in the woods . In the woods he plants/cassava , yam, and peas , and at home he ~~plants~~ plants tomato . He and his uncle David Simpson and his nephew x Eric Edwards work on partnership on the uncle's land . He plants about ½ acre of tomato . His uncle David is his mother's brother

corn /

Family History.

Hermon Sinclair his father (dead)

Julia Simpson his mother (dead)

Augustus Simpson his grand father , his mother's father

Susan Simpson (nee Elliott) his grand mother, his mother's mother.

Mother's children for Hubert Dyer are :-

Eric Dyer
Agnes Dyer

Mother's children for Hermon Sinclair are :-

Alma Sinclair
Himself
Jeanna Sinclair
Doris Sinclair

Agnes lives at her own house with her children .

Eric is married and living in Kingston . He has been living in Kingston for about 28 years now . He came back to Bull Savannah once since he left home .

Alma , Doris , and Jeanna all live together at the ~~mother's~~ mother's old yard .

James grew with his mother , and after he got big he went to stay with his father . He started out to school , but had to stop , because he had a lame foot . Things were very hard with his mother and having so many children she could not afford to send them to school . His father maintained them , but the maintenance was not very much .

He started to work when he was quite a boy . He worked planting tobacco , cassava and yam for people at 9d per day . When he grew to be a young man he stopped working for people and started to cultivate tobacco for himself on his father's land . It did not pay so well , but he did that until the tomato came in .

His child.

He has a child by Ellen Simpson . The child is Headley . James and Ellen were living for about three years , and then they parted . Ellen brought the child to James when the child was 10 months old . Headley is now going to school .

Fredrick

He is Jeanna's son . James adopted him from he was a baby . "A me walk round and get people fe turn him Godmother , and then me christen him . Me take him from me up a the other yard and when me move, me move with him " . James supports him all the time . Fredrick is going to school .

Attitude towards Christening .

"If a did now me wouldnt bother christen him , because me no believe i^o now , since me save . A one year since me save me would nt go back to that dey church . As soon as you repent and you get the spirit you mus' join the Bible Church Of God . We no christen a fe we church fa little water caan do x any good . And them say them have godmother fe bear you sin . No body caan bear you sin , and the sprinkling caan do much . We bless baby and pray over them as wha' Jusus do ."

"Wait till the child grow big and then you baptize him that time him know wha' do fa him know wrong from right . When you repent you pray fe all wha ' wrong you do and all wha' sin you commit . When you pray and pray and feel that you get the spirit , that time you save , and you caan sin again/ . If you really save you caan go to no other church but the Church of God . If you sin you backslide and you have fe go pray again/ and repent. "

Ministers/

Adassah's attitude towards ministers and other churches
 Adassah does not believe/ought ~~to~~ to be ~~xxxx~~ trained to preach the word of God . "A man dey train them and man like themself caan know /wha' fe tell them fe preach . Whether the man caan read or not if him have the spirit him wi' able fe preach asany or ~~x~~ even better ~~x~~ 'an ~~th~~ them that say them train . If me have a pickney me would never send him go a College , fe me alone them no even have College . A sin fe Minister go a college fe learn fe preach , fa that time a no call them get , a train them go train' fe do it . Every one a the Ministe them a sinner , is only the Church of God Elder them right . You see them have the spirit , and we caan mix with the other church people them fa we ~~x~~ are a chosen people call out so we have fe do what the spirit tell us".

"We save a'ready and we caan sin again . We no try fe serve the Lord , fa the Lord say we mus' serve Him and do what He commands us to do . We no pray fe forgive-ness fa we no sin any more . We only pray fe the others who no save yet . When you repent and you get save you become a Child of God , and then Jesus keep you and you caan sin any more .