

C.D.22. Sbd. 14. /Thatch Walk/ Household 18.

Heath Caroline	Head	F.S.70.2.1.	St.E1.	Black	Angl.	Ill.	Homemak.
,, Sarah	sister	FS.64.7.5.	,,	,,	,,	,,	none
Roye Nicolas	nephew	MS.35.	,,	,,	,,	,,	farmlab.
Smith Geneth	grdau	F.S. 7.	,,	,,	,,	,,	-

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Farm under 1 acre. 1 goat, value of garden produce 15/-, 8 mangoes /160 doz./.

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House visit.
26.1.48.
J.O. + T.O.

We were brought to this house by Adolphous Ellington, who met us at Miss Alice house and invited to see his tomato cultivations. It was a little out of way but he wanted us to meet "these people".

The first person of the family whom we met was Sarah Heath. She was sitting at the back side of the house. Stopped us to talk, to ask a cigarette and to complain of her sickness, poverty and other troubles. ~~xxxxxxxx~~ Conversation did not last long. We left the old lady to join two other ladies sitting on the other side of the yard on the ground. We accommodated ourselves besides them and listened to an uninterrupted stream of praises and complements for being nice, friendly, for sitting on the ground etc. Comments on us/"nice people" "nice buckra people" etc." were passed from one lady to another aloud. They were meant for us. From time to time this compliment was stopped ~~xxxxx~~ just to ask for some favour /a dress which my wife was wearing, some money to buy food etc/. It was practically impossible to start any coherent conversation. ~~xxxxxxxx~~ We soon left them, leaving them some cigarettes.

Adolphous Ellington explained who were the ladies. The old one was, ~~xxx~~ in the skirt decimated by holes, was Caroline. Sarah was the first one whom we met. The third lady, the young one, ~~xx~~ was his mother, Diana Elliott

Interview with Dudley Simpson.
26.1.48.
J.O.

Caroline and Sarah Heath ~~xxxxxxxx~~ are ones of the poorest people in the district. They are on "poor relief". Live from the money they get from the Government and from the help they receive from other people. Both ill, old. Cant work.

6.3.48.
T.O.

Nicolas Rochester and Dudley Simpson were sitting with me at the table in our cottage when Nicolas ~~xxxxxx~~ Heath appeared. He first waited on the verandah and came in when Dudley opened the door to see who is there.

Nicolas Heath is a big man. He looked very untidy / although Simpson was also in his working clothes/. The brim of his hat half torn was hanging at one side. His hair ~~xxxx~~ was unkept. He came in. I invited him to sit down, but he was reluctant. Said he had a sore foot. I told him it was ~~xxxxxxxx~~ then still more advisable for him to sit down.

"We have no partiality in this place" said Simpson and Heath sat down.

Nicolas Heath is the son of Sarah Heath. He lives with his mother and aunt. He ~~doesntwork~~ hasnt got land to work. He also does not work on shares.

Job out

"Job out- employ to next man."

I asked him whether he works during the season in the factory. He said no. Simpson explained:

"No responsible man go there - mostly boys. The work cant carry / cant pay / a responsible man. Try / the responsible man / to do for himself - pay much better. The boys they work to get a few shillings quick."

Heath

Nicolas ~~xxxx~~ works for: Clarence Perkins, "Massa" Brooks and Henrietta Brooks.

As it was very difficult to get information from Heath I left him alone and continued my interview with Nicolas Rochester. After a while Heath ~~xxxx~~ asked me whether "Doctor" was in. I know Heath doesnt know J.O. so I asked him what he wanted from Doctor who is working now in the next room.

"I want one pound" was the answer. It was for the first time that such a proposition was made to us in Bull Savannah. I told him there is no use in seeing doctor as I know he wont give one pound. Dudley Simpson was shocked: "Thats no way.." he told Heath. after a while Heath got up and left the place.

Information supplied by Lilian Powell
who interviewed on 18.6.48. both Caro-
line and Sarah Heath.
9.7.48.
J.O.

Present household.

Present household consists obly of two persons:

Heath Caroline, 60.
Heath Sarah, her sister, 58.

2 Nicholas Roye, son of Sarah Heath, described ~~mistakewitxxx~~
by mistake as Nicholas Heath, does not live with his mother,
he pays only visits to his maternal home.

Family History.

Heath Caroline and Sarah are full sisters. Their father was
Frederick Heath, their mother - Rosa Heath, both dead. They
lived in Thatch Walk. Caroline and Sarah have 1 full brother,
Frederick Heath, living in Alligator Pond.

Neither Caroline nor Sarah were ever married.
Caroline has one child alive: she is Edwina Marshall, living
in Clarendon, married. Her father was Isaac Miller /dead/
in St. Mary. They did not marry, beacuse as Caroline describes
it: "wasnt suitable."

Sarah Heath has 3 children, all alive.
The eldest is /?/ is Dacosta Heath, son of Thomas Heath.
Dacosta lives in Thatch Walk, if I am not mistaken at his
father's place.
Her next son is Nicholas Roye. His father was Pilot Roye, whose
whereabouts are unknown to Sarah. Nicholas is a fisherman -
he lives now in Alligator Pond.
The third child is Advira Smith, daughter of late Albert
Powell in Tad Town. Advira Smith lives now in Tad Town.

House, land, conditions of living.

The house they are living in is 1 room house. 2 beds - all the
furniture. There is latrine and kitchen in the yard. No water
tank.

The homeland around is 3 acres in size. It is woned by Frede-
rick ~~Heath~~ Heath, their brother living in Alligator Pond.
Trees: 28 mangos, 2 coconuts, 1 tambourine, 2 sweet sap.
1/2 acre of their land is in guniea grass. Cultivations pra-
ctically non-existent: only ab. 1/4 acre cassava. 1 pig.
Caroline is on paupers' roll and receives 1/6 weekly. Sarah
liv s from what is given to her. She walks frequently around
the distreit beeging money or food. Visited twice our place
on her begging errands.