

C.D. 22. Sbd. 13. Household 35.

Elliott Hubert	Head	M.Cl.41.	St.El.Black.	Jeh.Wit.Ill.	Farmer
Ellington Ruth Ann	Wife.	F.Cl.37.3.2.	" "	Angl. Ill.	Homemal
Brooks Louise	StDau	F.S. 15.	" "	" W.3.	f.lab,
Elliott Vivian	Son	M.S. 13.	" "	" Ill.	

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Elliott Hubert's farm in 1942.

He is found in Sch.3. /under 1 acre/.

His stock: 1 swine, 3 goats, 2 hens, 3 chickens, 6 doz.eggs.

Value of vegetables produced: L3.

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2 ackees - 30 doz. 3 coconuts - 36 nuts. 12 mangoes - 105 doz. 1 naseberry - 30 doz. 3 cashew tress.

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Friday,
Feb. 27, 1948.
Ed.F.

Interview With Hubert Elliott

Hubert is the eldest brother to Maud Elliott (See F.R. 52.) He is blind. He believes he caught a cold while he was engaged in trading on a boat then running between Alligator Pond and Kingston, and that the cold affected his eyes in particular. He volunteered that he has heard that venereal diseases cause ~~some~~ blindness but said with ~~some~~ emphasis that he "has never been trouble with of such disease."

he/ He believes the eye baby to be alive and that his sight could be restored if he had the money to go to get treatment, but he has no money; he feels it could be necessary to have the eyes xrayed etc. but fears that even had/the money it would probably not help him much because "doctors would eat out the money before they would tell him what is really ~~xxx~~ wrong with him.

He was found sitting under a mango tree in the yard about 15 yards from the house and a few feet from the kitchen. He was shelling Cungo peas (gun-go/peas) in a large pudding pan; he wore a straw hat with a wide rim, and with one side turned ~~xx~~ and pinned up in sea fearing fashion. He wore also a sport shirt of thick dark cotton material and a drill trousers. All his clothes were stained with dirt -the red dirt.

Blames his parents

Asked his age he said -"Well, a caan deh dis side of 40, i.e. he is not in his thirties, he further explained. He does not know his age because his arents never sent him to school: he can neither read nor write. He is old enough in 1914 to enlist in the 1914 World War. He thinks he must have been about 14 then. Asked he, seeming to calculating the while, -"it was about 15 years ago or so that war was ~~+~~ ~~+~~ Yes a mus'a been about 14 or 15. then!" (Enlist age during the 1914 conflict was 18 years. This observer's opinion is that the man is at least 50 years old.)

Family History

Hubert's mother Emelia Roweett died a short time ago. His father Henry Elliott died about 27

years ago when he (Hubert) was quite a grown man.

His mother and father had 15 children. Those alive he lists as follows: -in order of age:

- 1. Isolene Elliott
- 2. Hubert Elliott (informant)
- 3. Maud " She lives on the premises.
- 4. Mahala " She lives in High Gate, Manchester.
- 5. Adina " She lives on the premises.
- 6. Martena " She shares house and living with c.l. husband Albert Ellington of Thatch Walk.
- 7. Vernice " She lives on the premises.
- 8. Canute " ~~Elkitt~~ -lives on premises.
- 9. Doris " She is c.l.w. to Albert Holness.
- 10. Zemama " She lives in High Gate, Manchester.

and father's/

Rebecca a mother's daughter is older than Isphene his mother's first daughter, child. Rebecca shares house with Canute and some of her half sister all living on the premises. (See Maud's enumeration of the sisters sharing house with herself and Canute.) F.R. 52.)

Family Land

Hubert says that all his brothers and sisters have an equal share in the family land. He thinks it is comprised of 3 acres -"more or less." The land was left by his father for his father's children. Taxes for the land is now paid in Canute's name. He used to pay the taxes before, but is unable to pay anything now. He has ceased paying for about 6 or 7 years now. All his sisters with the exception of the 2 in High Gate, now join in paying the taxes for the land. Rebecca his half sister shares in paying the taxes also.

He is the Head of the family. Said he in ~~Em~~ Emphasizing that -"Y'u know by law, I am the Head, because I am the oldest son." -Continuing :- "A feels that all of us (meaning his brother Canute, his sisters and half sister Rebecca) have an equal share in the land; the sisters in High Gate also, although they pay no taxes. He thinks the absent sisters ~~xxxxxx~~ have ~~xx~~ rights to an equal share of the land because the land has fruit trees on it, which are always bearing, and which fruit if sold ~~xxxxxx~~ the money from their sale could be used to pay the taxes.

He thinks the land is too small to be shared up between so many people -hopes the question of sharing up will never rise, because each person would then get only a small plot which could not be "of much use"

Conjugal Relations

He does not now share house and living with a woman, -a wife.

Ruthon

Ruth/Ellington was his wife (c.1) but she died last May 16. Ruthon had a daughter ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ for Nicholas Brooks named Louise Brooks. Louise used to share house with him during his mother's life-time and is now doing his washing and his cooking. Louise has 2 children - Levi Mc Forrest son of Ellis Mc Forrest, and Seymore Powell son of Percival Powell. (Both these children were seen: one appears to be about 5, the other about 2½) They share house with their mother and Hubert.

Asked how many children he has he said "Well y'u know dat funny." Asked why funny, he said, "because some own to God and man and some to man alone. He means by that "some of the children may not be ~~XXX~~ mine."

The children he owns are :

1. Samuel Elliott about 27. Samuel's m. is Matilda Samuels. of Thatch Walk.
2. Martha Elliott. dau. of Matilda Samuels. also.
3. Rose Mary Elliott dau. ~~by~~ Beatrice Powell .
4. Vivian Harviland Elliott, son by Beatrice Powell.

Beatrice also shares house with him.

CAREER

Hubert was a fisherman for about 3 years. From "fishening" he went into ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ "trading on cotton tree boat." The cotton Tree boats were large boats -larger than the boats now used to do "fishening" ~~XXXX~~ These boats used to operate between Alligator Pond ~~an~~ and Kingston, but have now been replaced by motor trucks.

The boat he worked on belonged to ~~xxx~~ Samuel Stephenson. Mr. Samuel used to live on Top Hill, has now gone to America to live. Name of the boat was "Island Beauty."

Hubert was not paid for being one of the crew members of the Island Beauty, i.e. he was not paid a regular weekly pay. His earnings depended on the amount of profit he made off things taken to Kingston to be sold. Mr. Stephenson used to give him a half of the profit of anything he sold. Illustrating that Hubert said that if a goat was bought for say 10/- in Bull Savannah and sold in Kingston for 20/- then
equally/ the 10/- profit would be divided/between himself and Mr. Stephenson. He never got any money nor did he do any trading nor share any profit from the trip from Kingston back to Alligator Pond.

On the trips to Kingston the Island Beauty took usually, pigs, goats, fowls and eggs and bottles

On trips from Kingston back to Alligator Pond she took shop goods -flour, sugar, salt-fish, cloth etc.

Hubert was anxious to give information, believing perhaps, in spite of being told to the contrary, that he is likely to get some kind of consideration. He drew attention to and stressed the fact he is veyy poor and expressed the hope I had brought something f for kim. He was told initially the purpose of the interview. At the end he again asked what is the ~~any~~ object of the interview. He was told again and seeme ed satisfied.

Given a cigarette he said he would not smoke it t then because while he was talking the smoke would be wasting away, and that he would therefore loose much of th enjoyment he would otherwise have from the cigarette. His teeth ~~were~~ black with the stain of tobacco.

Wednesday,
March ~~Feb.~~ 3, 1948.

Ed. F.

Second Visit

Canute was sitting under the mango tree under he was first seen in the first interview when he was shelling dry congo (gungo) peas. In this case he was shelling green congo peas. He was wearing the same clothes he was observed to be wearing on the previous visit -the same hat also. Two children -Louise's, were playing around him: he takes care of them during Louise's absence.

Asked how he was making life he said -" Life is very very tedious with me. Dis (this) frien' o mine (he motioned to William Roach then sitting near and helping to pick peas the peas) help mi with a chaw sometimes: by "chaw" he means "a little something to eat." He has clothes got when he "was in good stead i.e. when he was in better circumstances.

Returning to the question of eating he said "a tek it as it come. A doan (don't shame to tell y'u some night a doan get no food stuff. William(Roach) helpd him as of ten as he is able but sometimes Wm. does not have anything for himself even.

Hubert's sisters and Canute his brother sometimes gives him a "a chaw, -a mouthful, but sometimes they have not enough for themselves even."

Louise Brooks his daughter-in-law works in the factory every crop time; she has been working there since this crop for about a month now. Her children's father do not support them and so the demands to be met by her wages are great. In spite of this she shares a little of her meals with him every day. Sometimes however she has so little to share between and her children that he "has to cry excuse," i.e. he excuses himself from participating in the meal.

He regards Louise as his daughter and she regards him as her father.

Drawn from the records
11.7.48.
J.O.

Present household.

Elliott Hubert, ab.50.
Brooks Louise, step-daughter, 21 according to Census.
McForest Levi, Louise's son, ab.5.
Powell Seymore, ,, ,, ab.2 and 1/2.

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Brooks Louise is daughter of Ellington Ruthann, who was Hubert's c.l. wife still in 1942. She died a couple of years ago. ~~Ruthann Ellington's sister of Ellington's living in the same house as Ruthann Ellington had a daughter for Nicholas Brooks named Louise Brooks. Louise used to share house with Hubert during her mother's life time and now is doing his washing and his cooking. She has two children: one for Ellis McForest and another for Percival Powell. /son of George Powell?/. Both children staying with their mother and stepgrandfather.~~

Informant Dudley Simpson.
11.7.48.
J.O.

Parentage.

Hubert Elliott is probably the oldest son of Roseann Rowe /called also Amelia Rowe/, late mother of all the Elliott family in Thatch Walk. Her c.l. husband was Henry Elliott - he was brother of Thomas Elliott, c.l. husband of Alice Heath in Thatch Walk.

Wives and children.

He was first of all along with Matilda Samuels and had two children by her: Samuel Elliott and Martha Elliott. Samuel Elliott was later on adopted by Charles Rowe, his step-father. Matilda Samuels ~~stays with his father - Hubert Elliott. after~~ ~~Matilda Samuels became later on the wife /c.l./ of Charles Rowe. Martha Elliott stays with the father /Hubert/.~~

Next wife of Hubert Elliott was Beatrice Powell, daughter of Andrew Powell and Francella /Fanny/ Brooks. She is also known under the name of Bea Brooks, as all children of Andrew Powell and Fanny Brooks are frequently called by their neighbours. Both Andrew Powell and Fanny Brooks died a couple of years ago.

Beatrice Powell had two children for Hubert Elliott: they are Rosemary Elliott and Vivian Elliott. They shared the same home Beatrice Powell living in Hubert's place. "They lived together for a time: Beatrice Powell just leave Hubert and take up the other brother, Canute." "Canute was molesting Hubert with the woman. Bea was living in Hubert home. But Hubert found that Canute is with Bea, raise a disturbance and she leave to father and mother home, where Decell now."

Now Rosemarry Elliott and Vivian Elliott, Hubert's and Bea's children are "living in Decell Powell home" - it is with the mother.

After Hubert Powell sent Bea Powell away he was for a number of years along with Ruthann Ellington, sister of Jane and Albert Ellington in Thatch Walk. Ruthann Ellington died a couple of years ago. They had no children, but Ruthann had a child before ~~ix~~ for Nicholas Brooks: Louise Brooks, staying now together with her two children /Levi McForest for Ellis McForest and Seymour Powell for Percival Powell/ in her step-father's home.

Hubert Elliott lost his eyesight only a few years ago. ~~Refers to~~ Still when he was "troubled" with his eyes he used to go seafaring: he was a fisherman and used to go to Kingston as "good hand in the dragger boat."

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E.F.

Interview with Herbert Elliott

Household at present consists of:

1. Hubert Elliott, that is my informant. /40 - 50/.
2. Martha Elliott, dau. -"Sh' sleep here an' everything. All her domestic do right here."
3. Louise Brooks -"Mi little daughter-in-law. She was here from she was a little child. Mi loose her mother (his wife c.l. she died) but mi atalerate (tolerate) her all the same. Mi never let sh' go astray." /21 now by Census/
4. Percival Powell, about 4, dau. to Louise and Percival Powell.
5. Clivi McMorris, ~~his~~ son to Louise and Ellis McMorris "who marry Mr. Willie Rochester dau. an' settlin' up under the hill," -Shaddock Hill. Ab. 5.
6. Lilian Roye. "She livin' here; shi sleep here an' everything: a tryin' to rescue her in some senses." Lilian is daughter to Vernice his sister, who is a member of the Canute Elliott household. Lufton Roye, now dead, is the child's father. Lilian, was given by Rebecca, Herbert's 'maternal sister' as being a member of the Canute Elliott Household.

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Cooking

"Well, when there is anything to cook, an' Louise is at home she cook; if Martena only is at home she cook all the same." If both girls are at home, Louise chiefly, will do the cooking; -that is when he has something to cook. -"Mi cooking is poor" he said.
