

C.D. 22. Subdistrict 12. Household 48.

Name	Relationship	Sex	Age	Religion	Ethnicity	Education	Occupation
Powell Ellen	Head	F.	50	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.
Simpson Ivy	Dau	F.	25	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.
„ Joslyn	Son	M.	24	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.
„ Lenord	GrSon	M.	9	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.
„ Entie	GrSon	M.	6	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.
„ Hulleto	GrSon	M.	4	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.
„ Lydian	GrDau	F.	2	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.
„ Elsie	GrDau	F.	1	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.
Holness Etheline	GrDau	F.	5	St.	El.	Col.	Angl. Ill.

Homemaker
Nannys/
F-lab.

W.L.OE.

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er farm in 1942.

Under one acre.

Garden crop value £ 5.
2 coconuts = 40 nuts
1 mango = 30 doz.

See p. 4

Inform. Dudley Simpson
13.3.48.
J.O.

Ellen Powell -
her ancestry.

Elleen Powell is daughter of Old Abraham Powell. Dudley does not know ~~what~~ whether Abraham Powell was any relation to old George Powell. "He was old man, old man. I find him living the same place all the time, from I can remember. Him and my father them were good friends."

Abraham Powell on his death "leave the land to Joshua Powell and Elleen Powell. Joshua Powell and Ellen Powell - they are brother and sister."

her brother and
son.

Joshua Powell, her brother, lives next house towards Dunder Hill. ~~Next to him is occupied by Joseph Dyer who again is her son.~~ The house next to him is occupied by Joseph Dyer who again is her son.

Joseph Dyer, son
of Elleen Powell.
His ancestry. His
land. His brother.

"Joseph Dyer is son of Ellen Dyer. He is son of Lindon Dyer, brother of Charles Dyer. Lindon Dyer was the detective. And he got this boy by Ellen Powell."

"Lindon Dyer had next boy by the same Elleen Powell, before he leave to the Force. After him got to the Force and find himself a bigger man, him never worry to the same woman, him find a next woman. The boy's name is Louie Dyer. Louie Dyer living right now in Elleen Powell home."

"Joseph Dyer bought his land from one Thomas Elvin. Thomas Elvin die and leave him land ~~taxen~~ his wife Jane Elvin. Jane Elvin got old and have no children - so it was sold as to help her. She sold the land to Joseph Dyer."

Inf.: Dudley Simpson and Bradley Rochester.
13.4.48.
T.O. & J.O.

Her children;
for Lindon Dyer

"Ellen Powell is sister of Joshua Powell - one father not one mother. Joseph Dyer belongs to Ellen Powell and Lindon Dyer is the father. Herbert Dyer - son of Ellen Powell and Lindon Dyer."

for David Simpson

"Ellen Powell had ~~had~~ some children for David Simpson. He is a black man, come from Plowden. We have black Simpsons too. Black, black man like Charles Rowe. For David Simpson Ellen Powell had Joslyn and Icy and a next girl named "Poony". Had one (more) girl that died."

for Emmanuel Powell

Ellen Powell had also a son "Ernest Powell who works in the shed as supervisor - is Ellen's and Emmanuel Powell son."

"Three father - the last father David Simpson."

"Ernest P well live with the father but the balance of children with the mother."

"That girl Icy is along with Panton - old Robert Simpson son. Have lots of children. Still along with Panton right now: man and wife, live with Panton as man and wife. All children also with Panton"

"Only Joslyn, Herbert and Pooney living now with Ellen Powell"

"Pooney - you have to make signs to her. She is hard of hearing. She get a fall. Born quite sensible."

"Joslyn - no not married (Dudley laughs) ugly fellow. Cross eye. Looking at you and looking sideways. We call him Fun-now. No girl-friend. Nobody want him."

"Herbert is a good looking boy. Around 19. Not married. I don't know of any girl friend. I believe him get one for him not badly looks."

"Holness Etheline is Pooney child. She is for Leo Holness. Leo is the father and Pooney the mother. Pooney is now along with Hubert Schloss"

Pooney's children

"Hubert Schloss: his father is from Tantan Mountain - near Meyersville. Lives beside James Powell. Relative to the Holness. Hubert Schloss' mother was a Hoolness. His father never settle in Bull-Savannah. I never know his father but know him go by the name of Schloss."

"Pooney stay in her mother home all the time. She work as a maid at Miss Jude home and Miss Turnica Powell. She can wash."

"Pooney children are living with her. Support by father but living with the mother."

Present household.
Powell Ellen head
Simpson Joslyn son
Dyer Herbert son
Simpson Pooney dan
Holness Etheline gr. dan
? gr. ch.

C.D. 22. Sbd. 12. Household 45.

Dyer Joseph	Head	M.Cl.32.	St.El.	Col.	Angl.	W.3.	Farmer
Sinclair Alma	Wife	F.Cl.38.3.3.	"	"	"	Ill.	Homemaker
Edwards Elicleia	StDau	F.S.11.	"	"	"	W.1.3E.	
" Clifford	StSon	M.S. 8.	"	"	"	W.1.3E.	

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~~does not appear in farm schedules~~

His farm 1942.

3 acres
 see p 14.
 Land undivided
 over 10 acres
 belongs to
 4 parties.
 1200

Operates for 8 years as owner. 1 parcel.
 10,5 acres. Tomatoes. No labour empl.
 Out of 10,5 acres: 1,5 cultivated. 2 cultivable.
 3 ac. pasture. /2 Guin.grass, 1 comm.gr./.
 Other land 4 acres.
 Value: £30. Build, 10.
 1 catchment.
 Cultivations:
 Tomatoes 1/4 acre - 2000 lbs.
 Avocados 2 - 10 doz. 1 bredfr. + 1 not fruit. -
 2 doz. 2 coconuts - 40 nuts. 1 lemon . 4 mangoes
 - 100 doz. 2 nasberries - 200 doz.
 Congo 1/2 ac. - 10 bush. Cassava 1/4 ac. - 1200 lbs.
 Potatoes 1/4 ac. - 900 lbs. Yams 1/2 ac. 2000 lbs.
~~xxxx~~ Stock: 4 sheep. 5 goats.

11 acres
 together
 with (his wife's)
 land
 p. 1

Inform. Dudley Simpson
14.3.48.
J.O.

Dyer Joseph.
His father. His
grandfather.

Dyer Joseph's house is in Ridge - his nearest neighbour is Joshua Powell.

Dyer Joseph is son of Lindon Dyer, the detective whose story is included in other family records / see fam. recs for other Dyers, esp. Algonan and Annas /.

His grandfather / Lindon's father / was ~~his~~ George Dyer, father of Algonan, Annas, Charles and James.

Sinclair Alma,
his cl. wife.
Her children:
Clissa and Eric
Edwards.

Alma's father was "old Hammon Sinclair from Ribbit"; her mother was Julia Simpson, Robert Simpson's sister.

"She have no children for Joseph Dyer." Two children in the house: Clissa and Eric Edwards - "she have those children before she go to Joseph Dyer."

Their father is Richard Edwards, who lives in Shaddock Hill.

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

Alma Sinclair - sister of James, Doris and Gina Sinclair and half-sister of Phillip Sinclair - used to live for a long time with Richard Edwards, before she came to live with Joseph Dyer.

// Eric.

^{Edwards} Joseph Dyer had with her two children: Elicleia and ~~Clifford~~. / He then married another woman. After a time his wife seemed to him too old and he went back to Alma and had another child with her a boy "Sonny". After that Alma came to live with Joseph Dyer.

"Alma Sinclair - she is along with Joseph Dyer. Before - she was with Richard Edwards. She had 3 children: Eric, Clissa and Sonny the youngest one. Richard marry another woman from Leeds. Him make a mistake. Alma would be better. Much better. That is an old, old woman."

"We use to sell (Dudley and Edwards) in Mandeville twist tobacco - packass rope call it. In the market. She was a maid for the post-mistress. 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 Edards gone over to the 7 Day Adventist him trying to do the best of him life. But before then didn't live nice at all. Just quarrell - 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 fdaughter. But she (Ida) is now in Vere. Liwing with a man."

Monday .
21. 6. 48.
D. B.

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Interviewed Ellen Powell .

Ellen was busy picking peas , and was being helped by Curdel Rochester , May Powell , who is Ellen's sister-in-law. Ellen was getting the peas ready for her working the following day . Men are going to cut bush for her to plant cassava . The peas she will be using to make soup . Asked who was her mother and father , she told me she is not telling me any thing for she has been visited by more than once and she has told the others "everything a'ready . Me no have nothing more fe tell again , and not a good na come out a it neither . A so one time Miss Ivy Millard , and Miss Ruby Blythe did dey walk'round' do the same thing , say them dey take up Census . Up to now not a thing no come out a it , and we no get no help . A same nothing na come out a this either".

Curdel/

She got up and went in her kitchen , I followed her . In the kitchen/was helping Ellen to prepare the cassava for the working . The kitchen is very shabby , it is made of chiefly coconut leaves for walls , and a thatched roof. There is a fire place built with stones and sticks , the height of which is about three feet . There was a box that served as a seat for myself , and pieces of wood or block that served as seat for the others.

step mother

She told me she did not grow with her mother , she grew with her father and her step-mother . She does not remember her mother's name . Her father was Abraham Powell from Stephen Hole in St Elizabeth or Manchester she does not remember where rightly it was . Her step-mother was Ellen x Powell . Her father took her from her mother when she was about three years old . She was sent to school , but not for long , she was taken out to go and work for herself . She did not stay long enough to go in any book , "me only use to read off a black board " . Her step-mother cared her in one sense , but rough her in the other . Her father was afraid of his wife , "you know them woman who wear the pant , and make the man 'fraid fe them . A so me stepmother did stay " . Even if her father tried to be kind to her , he had to hide from his wife .

After stopping from school she had to help to weed the grass in the field , and dig holes to plant cassava . When she was twelve years old she started to trade on cassava at Alligator Pond . She got cassava from what she helped to plant and sometimes she had to buy to make bammies . She has done that almost all her life , "a this late days since cassava get scarce , make me hardly bother with it . If me could get it like before me would still do it". She stayed with her father and

stepmother until they both died . "he was still living in their old home , but in the storm 1932 the house was blown down , and she had to go for refuge in the School-room . She with other people were sheltered there She stayed there a month until she got somewhere else to live . I'm not sure of where she went to live after whether it was with her son or not . Later on she tried hard to build a house for her self , a little ~~room~~ room at least . She uses her son's kitchen as she has none for herself . "And me no have nothing more fe tell you now far me tell them other one everything else ~~///~~ all 'bout me children " .

Monday
5. 7. 48.
D. B.

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Interviewed Ellen Powell.

Ellen was at her stone heap working away on the "idge Road, yet she stopped and talked to me x in a most friendly fashion. There are two houses at her home but one house hold. Members in onehouse are :-

- + Ellen Powell Head (does not know age)
- + Marion Simpson Dau. to Ellen x " " "
- + Ethlyn Holness Dau. to Marion 10
- + Herbert Dyer Son to Ellen x 19
- + Phyllis Slash Dau. to Marion 5

Member in the other house :-

- + Joseph Dyer Head x

Ellen's children for David Simpson :-

- Icilda Simpson x
- Marion Simpson x
- Wilbert Simpson x

Children for Lyndon Dyer :-

- Joseph Dyer
- Harbert Dyer

Child for "Manny" Powell :-

- Ernost Powell x

Ellen contributes to the house hold when she can. Her sons help her very well. "If me no~~d~~ did have them me no know wha' me would a did do, fa me sick now and caan do any thing much". She was sick for one year, took cold in her head, and was sick with her nerves. She went to Doctor Calder and Doctor Mais. She took cold while baking the cassava, she was trading on.

She has been to Doctor three times and got a ~~l~~ little help but she is still suffering with the head. She has to work because she x cannot do better, "and me caan leave all 'pon me son them."

Marion.

She shares house with her mother. She has two childre one for Leo Holness and the other for "Cush" Slash. "And she have nither one dey" pon the way dey come fe "Cush" Slash. The fathers support the children "shaky enough". Slash does not live at Marion's house, but visitsher all the time. Marion too contributes to t the house hold.

Ethlyn is going to school and Phyllis stays at home with her mother.

Harbert cultivates for himself "hard, hard in a the

dirt ". He works on partnership with his brother Joseph Harbert read to the 4th standard at school, " but would' nt go back after him reach 4th . Say him can read and write ". "hen Harbert has it he contributes to the house hold .

Joseph lives alone , "him no have no woman a him house him dey look one ". Joseph cultivates all the time to make his living . He does not work for any one . He is the upkeep of the home , because when the others fail he is the one that carries on .

(Omitted from Marion's bit)

Marion does washing now and then to earn a living , "and quarrel and dan miserable ! "he cannot hear so well , she deaf .

Thursday .
8. 7. 48.
D. B.

Joseph Dyer & Ellen Powell

Informant : Icilda Simpson

Joseph

house/

Alma Sinclair and Joseph were friends for about seven years, but Alma did not live at Joseph's for more than one year. During the days she stayed at her house and at nights she went to sleep at Joseph's house during the time they were friends. Alma never cooked for Joseph, but she used to wash his clothes. Ellen, Joseph's mother used to do his cooking. Alma and Joseph parted April this year. Icilda does not know whether Joseph told Alma not to come back to his house, or if Alma stopped of her own will.

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Joseph did not mean to marry Alma, because Alma has four children for Richard Edwards and "you no see it no right fe him fe go to work fe, fe her pickney them and fe him no dey ya fe get wha' him dey work for." Another reason why he would not marry to Alma is that Alma was no loving and kind to his mother, or his sisters. If the mother was or sister/sick she would not go to look for them. "She did have too much funny way, some time him a fe you and sometime him no fe you" (that is sometimes she will act loving and kind, and at another time she will be just the opposite)

If the mother was sick Alma would not visit her or offer her things to eat. "But now, me no know wey a big old woman like that dey do with husband, him could a turn mother fe Joseph. She was'e dey go fe him 40 or 50 now, Joseph a pickney fe him. She know when Joseph born Make me tellyou the whole truth make Joseph wouldnt marry him ya, she wouldnt handle himself good, she no did tidy at all. I' no did so bad with himself but with the place she wouldnt keep i' good and clean. She did live long time with Richard Edwards and him find the same fault with him, and she have fe leave, even though him help Richard build the house. Joseph take him now and say him though try her, and now him find the same fault too".

"You se it all depends 'pon how mother teach them pickney. Them must learn them fe do things or else them we always in a fault! Alma and Joseph used to quarrel plenty, but them never quarrel hard fe any body hear them outside".

Elcieia & Clifford Edwards

They are children of Alma and Richard Edwards. They were staying for a little time at Joseph's house, but they are now living at their mother's house.

Joseph's child.

He has one child by Edna Simpson from Junction . Joseph and Edna met each other in Mandeville . Edna was selling in a store , and Joseph was working at a Hotel . Icilda does not know what kind of work Joseph was doing . Edna became pregnant for Joseph and when it was near time for her to deliver , she came to Ellen's place and confined . She stayed seven months after the baby was born , and then she went back to work at Mandeville . The baby was left with Ellen .

The child grew with Ellen until it began to walk , then Edna's mother took the child . Edna's mother is Ettie Ford , and Edna's child is Edell . Edell grew with her grand mother until she started out to the Ballards Valley School . Her mother left Mandeville and went to Kingston to work . Edna came from Kingston and took Edell up Kingston with her . Since then Edell has been living in KINGSTON . Edell is about 17 years old . Joseph is supporting her still , "after he a the one him got, him no mus' support and love him " .

Icilda and Ellen .

Neither Icilda nor her mother has ever lived at Joseph's house . When Icilda was living at her mother's house , both Icilda and mother always used Joseph's kitchen , but at nights they went to Ellen's house to sleep . Icilda left her mother's house three years ago , and is now living at Panton Simpson's house , the father of her children . Her mother did not tell her to leave , "but sometime him talk 'bout the heap a pickney in a the house say we have too much , so we pick up and come wey " .

"We mother love them all the same , sometime them all a them over fe her yard . Some a them mus'e out a the stone heap wey she dey , dey measure the stone . Ellen had five children for her father David Simpson , but two of them are dead . "We mother and me fahter live long . While me mother live with me father , she have Ernest by Manny Powell" . Ellen and Manny did not live together ~~for~~ at his house . She does not know if her mother and Lyndon Dyer were living for any time together , and she does not know why her mother and her father have parted .

Jocelyn

He is called Wilbert too , he is living at his ~~father's~~ father's home . He works on one of the factory trucks , whether the crop is on or not . She does not know at what price he works . He has been living at his father's home for a long time , his father lives alone , so he stays with him .

Ernest Powell.

Ernest grew with his mother . When he was a baby his fahter did not own him , say a no fe him . A when him

grow big , and them see say him favour them , before him Pa'own him . Him uncle Leon tell him say him fe come dey come stay with them , and a hit him go dey go live . He has been living there for a ~~long~~ long time . Ernest did not go to school . "The mother did have it hard and the father did not help when him was little Me mother try fe send all a we , but Ernest a did them little bad boy/ and wouldnt go when Mumma sen' we !xx

Ernest has been to America two times and is trying to go again . " Him and some other boy ride go clear a Santa Cruz Sunday fe see if them caan get one za the card When them go dey them hear that a £20. fe one a the card so them have ge come back without them get x it , fa them caan pay the £20. fe the card and perhaps them no pass t the Doctor test " . Ernest cannot read , but he has a girl firax friend Aldith Salesman at Top Bull Savannah who is teaching him to read , " me hear that him can sign him name now . Him mus'e wi marry to that dey one , for me hear that a one nice girl , and we tell him that x him mus'nt fool that one .Him say him wi' marry to him but she wi' have fe wait long first before that happen " .

Ernest cultivates tomato and other things , such as cassava and peas , " but him no work it himself , him pay money and get man work i' , and him no do no other work more 'an when him work a the factory !

Marion

She no grow with me mother , she grow with Mrs Jane Holness , a Miss Jane take him from me mother . After she come big , she ng go a Alligator Pond go work with the Postmistress . She come back and work with Miss M JUDE, she work with Miss Winty Elliott , she work with Miss Touris Roy and Miss Jane Perkins ! Marion has no need to seek for work , " for the people them know that she can work so when them want her , them only send for her . The only thing is how him go pick up the trouble fe dey have the pickney them .She and no body no live a house, but the pickney them father them support them !

Sunday.
11. 7. 48.
D. B.

Interviewed Joseph Dyer

it/
and his mother
Elle n Powell / father

Joseph lives alone at his house , but / is the same house hold as his mother's . His father was Lyndon Dyer /, but he is dead . Joseph grew with his mother , he went to school and read to the 5th standard . "Me never stay fe go any further in school , though me did like it , but life was hard , and me had to stop and start to work fe meself . HE worked at home , cultivating for himself , until he left In-Mandeville for Mandeville . He is 37 years old .

In Mandeville & Montego Bay.

He worked at a Hotel in Mandeville with one Miss Evelyn, who was the manager . He worked as a waiter , and was paid 10/- per week . He got the job from Miss Evelyn himself , he asked her for it . He went there in 1929 and left in 1932 . He left because , "me advance in the job and she would not raise me pay " .

After he came home he went to Montego Bay to work at the Casa Blanca Hotel , as a waiter too . He got 10/- per week there also . He stayed two months and then left for the same reason as in Mandeville . Miss N. B. Ewen the Manager did not "raise " his pay .

His daughter

While in Mandeville he met Edna Simpson and they became friends . Edna became pregnant for him , and she has a daughter whose name is Eda , and not Edell . His daughter is now in Kingston with the mother . He supports the child still , but Eda's mother is married now . Joseph and Edna never lived together , they were only friends.

His house

One room of the house is finished , and the other is not finished . It has spanish walls and thatched roof . It is a large room that he lives in . There is a bed inside , there are two chairs , a table with glass wares , and a lamp . There is a trunk made from ordinary box board , and covered with "wall paper " . The room was quite tidy , and clean . Joseph built his house himself , "in 1946 me bring it to what it is like " . He has the other room to complete . He has white lime and some of the lumbers , but there are still more things to get . He hopes to finish it soon.

Alma Sinclair

K Joseph does not call his friendship with Alma friend because he was not responsible for her in any way . At first he did not own that he and Alma were friends , then

later on he said that they parted in April this year. "Life caan come out a the two a we life because the life too poor . Me couldnt support her sufficiently ". Alma has never lived at his house , nor slept there . It was obvious that Joseph did not want to own that he and Alma were friends at all .

His Occupation

He cultivates to make a living . He works by himself, and he works on partnership with Mr Fitzroy from Grenada, who is now living at Duff House , New Forest , and has land there . He also ~~work~~ works with Daniel Gordon from mithfield , Cross Keys . From both people he gets 1/3 of the crop . He plants in the woods chiefly cassava, and tomato, and gungo peas. He plants about three sq. chains of tomato.

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His land

After he came home from Montego Bay he bought 10 1/2 acres of land from Mrs Jane Elvin from Bull Savannah for £40. He did not buy the land for him self alone . He joined with Harold Kneale from Dunder Hill , Ernest Elvin , from Exton, and "Pinny " Powell from Bull Savannah in the buying of the land . Joseph was responsible for the whole business . The land is not divided as yet , the four men work the land together , and all help to pay the taxes . He does not know what portion each man will get , but according to the amount of money that is paid , the portion of land will be given .

Contribution to the house-hold

Joseph is the head of the house . He provides for the house with the help of the other members . If the others fail to contribute to the house hold , he carries on the house just the same , He does not compel any one of them to help if they cannot , " because ~~een-~~ fe bring them under compulsory wi' bring bad life and quarrel , and no quarrel mustnt be here " .

Joseph has two pigs and one sheep, "me no have no ~~ee~~ other animal".