

C.D. 22. Sbd. 12. Household 51.

Simpson Michael	Head	M.Cl.36.	St.El.	Col.	Angl.	Ill.	Farmer
Witter Doris	Wife	F.Cl.28.6.5.	"	"	"	W.3.	Homemaker
Simpson Duane	Son	M.S. 6.	"	"	"	Ill.	
" Ivy	Dau	F.S. 4.	"	"	"		
" Elue	Dau	F.S. 2.	"	"	"		
" Glenrick	Son	M.S.E/12.	"	"	"		

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His farm in 1942.

(doesnt figure in farm forms)

James - see F.R. 39 p. ...

Inform. Dudley Simpson.
14.4.48.
T.O. + J.O.

Robert Simpson and his sons.

"Michael Simpson - him live on old Robert Simpson land. Just beside Robert Simpson house. Him is old Robert Simpson son."

"All of them /father and sons/ work on father land. Them took the land together in Duff House. Old Robert Simpson will tell that all the land is his. But it is not his. It is father and son. Old Robert Simspohn -is name-headed. He has all the land in - in the office. But father and sons put together and buy the land on scheme in Duff House."

"Old Tobert Simpson being the head of the land all the time. But them dont quarrell - dont quarrel at all. They live like father and son."

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Cf. also Family Records: 39 and 135.

Micahel Simpson - his home.

Michael Simpson lives with his family in his own house.

"The boy separate from his father, making the house something around 1931. In 1931 him set up the house, but never finish it. Sometime in 1934 he separate separate from his father, take the woman with him and go to his own home."

Doris Witter - his
cl.wife.

"Doris Witter was the woman. Her mother was Margaret Powell - before she married Michael Powell. The girl father is one from Morningside. The girl /Doris Witter/ was with the mother all the time in Michael Powell's home.

Their children.

/ I know the boy by face.

"Michael and Doris have 4 children. Doris have one child more. Not for Michael. A boy from Morningside was ~~her~~ the father. /The child is with the father."

Michael Simpson's
outside child.

"Michael Simpson have no outside children. I really never know of any girl friend beside Doris Witter. Oh, yes, him have a girl Doris Lewis, old Isaac Lewis daughter in Shaddock Hill. Doris is alive - married to next man in Junction. The child was with mother - big woman now, leave mother now, she is in Kingston working."

Visit at home. Seen Doris Witter & children.

18.6.48

T.O.

Doris was pressing clothes in the kitchen and the children playing in theyard between the kitchen and the house. They all followed me in the kitchen where I went to talk with Doris.

Present household: (as stated by Doris)

Simpson	Michael	head.	"about 40"
Witter	Doris	wife	"about 30"
Simpson	Duane	son	the eldest
"	Ivy	dau	
"	Glenrick	son	
"	Lucie	dau	
"	Babsie	dau	
"	Emmelin	dau	10 months

Michael went to work in his field in Under Hill. He is doing weeding to-day. Doris gave him his lunch. The children did not go to school to-day "Don't bother to send them on Friday."

The children - especially the smaller ones were very dirty with faces smeared all over with the red soil. "You have to live in water to keep them clean" said Doris. Her daughters are too small to help her with the big washing and pressing but they "wash and press their own panties". Doris said that a girl can help with the house washing when she is about 11.

I asked whether the little baby was already christened. "Not christened yet. Can't christened yet. We have to prepare clothes and things to carry to church and you have to pay the parson to christen them." The date of the christening is not yet decided upon, but the god-parents are already chosen. Doris said that as it is a girl she will have two god-mothers and one god-father. She asked already Algonan Dyer and his wife to be the god-parents and Doris' mother Margaret Powell will be the second god-mother. Margaret is already god-mother to three of her other children. I asked whether Michael's mother was also god-mother to some of her children. "She did not stand for any, she could but she didn't". Why? "We never asked her." I asked which of the two grand mothers was nearer to the children. "The two of them treat them good." Doris also said that her relations with her mother in law were always good. For a time she stayed with Michael at her parents in law but they never quarrelled. "I never quarrel, I can't live where there is no peace." I asked which daughter in law was the favourite of old Mrs. Simpson. Doris said she did not know, but implied that it was herself "as I am the first". I do not know in what sense she meant first, as certainly Berrisford started his married life before Michael.

We went back to the subject of small children as I wanted to check some informations I got on the subject previously. Doris said a baby is t/taught to sit "4-5 months if a girl and 5-6 months if a boy" "Some quicker than some." "This one - she said pointing to her youngest daughter - is 10 and begin to step, soon begin to walk strong." The child is not weaned yet, which fact Doris said with embarrassment, as if ~~it were something improper.~~ it were something improper.

Doris complained that she has a lot of work with such a big family and "all we have to show is lots of children, lots of them". They make also a lot of noise sometimes, but Doris does not mind the noise, she must have peace "but I mean in that sense" (peaceful and good living together). He stressed the point that she lived well with her parents in law and with his husband's brothers and their families. "I never quarrel I love peace".