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Born at _____ Texas, _____, 18__ (about 1825).

Married _____, at _____ on _____, 18__.

Children, _____.

Listed, U. S. Census, 1860, at San Pedro Settlement, age 35, Mulatto, born in Texas; in the case of Grijalba vs. Dunlap, relating to water rights on the San Pedro River, the following testimony was given in the District Court of Cochise County at the October term in 1889 as to lands irrigated from the Tres Alamos Ditch:

Emelio Carillo -- Q. When did you first see an irrigating ditch on the west side of the river near Tres Alamos? A. When they built it... commenced in December of 1865..... When I went to work there I saw Juan Lopez, Frederico, the German (Ferdinand Berthold), Eugenio Ruiz (John H.), Montgomery, and Nigger Brown It belonged to Frederico, the German in company with the Major -- ... Mark (Aldrich) the Major. Q. Now was any land put in cultivation in 1866 from the first ditch? Yes sir... They started planting in November of 1865... {The land belonged to three parties}. The first belonged to Montgomery and Eugenio Ruiz, the second belonged to Nigger Brown and Juan Lopez and the third belonged to the old man -- the Major and the German, Frederico.

I know that they raised on Nigger Brown's land about 400 centals of corn -- 40,000 pounds, that is on Nigger Brown's land. Q. Who were you working for on that ditch? A. Nigger Brown..... Did you have an interest in that ditch? A. I had half a piece of land -- an interest of half as much right as Brown..... How many times were you up the river as far as Benson? A. Very often I used to go out hunting with Nigger Brown when we didn't have anything else to do.

Juan Lopez -- The ditch was built originally by three persons, it was taken out by three persons owning equal shares in it and it was afterwards divided into six shares. The original owners

were Montgomery, Nigger Brown, and the old man -- the Major. Montgomery gave Ruiz *one* half his interest in it, and Nigger Brown gave Juan Lopez half his interest, and the old man, the Major, was in company with Frederico, the German...

Q. Did you sell your land at Tres Alamos?

A. Yes I sold it to Nigger Brown at the end of the second year for \$150.

Samuel Wise -- Q. Weren't there four or five different people farming on the San Pedro river at that time, in 1867? A. Nigger Brown, Dutch Fred, and John Montgomery and Long; those are the only men around Tres Alamos... They were settlers. Montgomery's ranch was across the river and Brown's above, and DeLong's right there.

Felix Ruiz -- Q. Who is occupying the land that Nigger Brown cultivated under that ditch? ... Jose Maria Orosco. Q. Where did Orosco get the land? A. I sold it to him... We had the right from my father ... He came there and had it registered, located it himself ... Who did Nigger Brown sell to, his interest in that ditch? A. To Jose Maria Valencia. Q. What became of Nigger Brown? A. He died ... I think he died 15 or 16 years ago.

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Occupation: Merchant.
Died: March 11, 1870.
Administrator: John H. Archibald.
\$233.69 remaining after expenses and
debts were paid.
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Senator Hayden: The H. Brown who settled on the San Pedro in 1865 and was called "Nigger Brown" by Montgomery, Wise, Carrillo and others must be Hampton Brown, as I find in the 1860 census, San Pedro Settlement, p. 28 "Brown, Compton, mulatto, farmer, born Tex."

See manuscripts of the above named.

Brown, Hampton (Nigger Brown)

New Mexico Hist. Review, Apr. 1952, p. 103.
"Albert Franklin Banta; Arizona Pioneer."
(His memoirs.) Up at Gimletville (Goodwin) were two restaurants. One was kept by "Virgin Mary" and the other one by a man named Jackson. The Virgin had come up from Tucson with "Nigger Brown", and had brought a dozen or two goats with her. Both restaurants had drawing cards. The "Virgin's" pull was goats milk for coffee, and Jackson's was his sixteen year old step-daughter.

