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Born at _____ Tennessee, _____ 18____ (about 1827).

Son of _____ and _____.

In an interview given to the Tucson Citizen on March 11, 1898, Samuel Hughes stated that when he arrived in Tucson, 40 years before, on March 11, 1858, among the Americans who were then living there was Dick Doss; the following advertisement appeared in the Tucson Arizonian Of September 9, 1859:

THE SUBSCRIBER HAVING OPENED A HOTEL AT THE CANOA RANCH,
Calls the attention of the Traveling public to his new House

"THE CROSS ROAD TAVERN!"

Every attention will be paid to the comfort of Travelers, who will find a good table and the best of Liquors the market affords. Having made arrangements to supply LUMBER in any Quantity! Either at my Ranch, or delivered. I will sell Lumber at my place at \$100 PER THOUSAND! or \$125 per thousand delivered at Tucson, and other points accordingly.

RICHARD M. DOSS, Canoa Ranch

Listed, U. S. Census, 1860, at Tubac, age 33, born in Tennessee, occupation - Millwright, property valued at \$3,500; the following account of a fight with Indiana led by Cochise in which he was wounded in the head was printed in the Prescott Arizona Miner on April 16, 1867:

Early last month, Apaches said to number about fifty made an attack upon certain persons in charge of buildings at the Mowry Mine. NED MARCH was instantly killed. R. M. DOSS was wounded, and Hon. OSCAR BUCKALEW, of the last Legislature, who happened to reach the mine during the fight, was shot in the knee, and refusing amputation of the leg, will, it is reported, be likely to lose his life.

The Indians would, in all probability have destroyed

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the whole party and burned the buildings, but for the timely approach of Lieutenant Hutton and a friend, who finding them so strong, went to Santa Cruz and raised a party, upon the approach of which savages left. The wounded men and all the moveable property of the mine have been taken to Santa Cruz.

In an account of this Apache attack written by Charles A. Shibell and printed in the Florence Arizona Enterprise of March 22, 1890, is the following statement:

Richard Doss was wounded at the same time from the effects of which he became demented and wandering off was never found.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

U.S. Court of Claims - Indian Depredation Docket No. 9192.
 (Testimony of Thomas M. Yeakes and Oscar Buckalew)
 The Tucson Arizonian, September 9, 1859, 3:3
 The Alta California, San Francisco, Calif., April 26, 1867, 1:5,
 reprint from the Prescott Arizona Miner of April 16, 1867.
 The Arizona Enterprise, Florence, March 22, 1890, 1:4.
Pick and Drill, Prescott, March 29, 1898, 3:3, reprint from the
Tucson Arizona Citizen.

WANTED

1. Reports of the attack on the Mowry mine early in March, 1867, printed in the Tucson newspapers.
2. Any later newspaper reports that he was missing.
3. Any other references to him in the indexes.