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Enclosed is a photocopy taken from Deed Book 1-Z, p 510. David Hopkins to John Brown. David Hopkins and Rhoda Hopkins, his wife, were in Fleming County, KY. For fifty pounds, they were conveying all right, title, etc. to land in Notinham (sic) Township, Washington County, PA, formerly the property of John Brown, dec'd, to John Brown, Jr. Dated 1 January 1816.

Further down the page, in front of the Justices, David and Rhoda state they relinquish all rights to their third in the above described estate (highlighted). This indicates to me that Rhoda Hopkins formerly had been the wife of John Brown and this was her widow's 1/3 share. (Had she been a child, the share would have been 1/4.) I think, too, that this might be the reason Joseph Brown was raised in Kentucky.

Photocopy from Deed Book 1-Z, page 518. John Brown and wife to Samuel Munn. John Brown and wife Mary of Washington County, PA. Samuel Munn of Allegheny County, PA. Dated 11 April 1815. \$2755.50. ...land patented in the name of William Brown, and conveyed by the said Wm Brown and his wife to Joseph Brown, the said John Brown aforesaid, & Anne Brown heirs of the late John Brown, dec'd...by order of the Orphans Court...appraisement of the Jury.... (I cannot find the court case. It is indexed, but the packet is missing.)

Also enclosed is a photocopy from the microfilm of the Administration of Estate of John Brown - B-6-1787. David Hopkins, Administrator. (Presumably the same David Hopkins as on above.)

Note item #3 - monies paid to William Brown. Note especially the notations for patenting the land, for surveying the land, for one day at Orphans Court, and for keeping three children 2 years Aged under seven years.

Book I, Court of Quarter Sessions, Washington County, PA, 1781-1794

p 39 - PA vs John Brown and Nathaniel Brown. Indictment Assault & Battery a true Bill process awarded, Issued. (This is all there is.)

I, too, looked at the IGI briefly one day when I was working at LDS, but found nothing which helped. There are some references to Nathaniel Brown and John Brown in the published Pennsylvania Archives.

There was a Nathaniel Brown and a Joseph Brown in Chester Co. Nathaniel was still there in 1785 and does not appear to be, therefore, the right one.

There was a Nathaniel Brown in the Mulberry District of Philadelphia. He died in 1781. There was also a Nathaniel Brown in the Northern Liberties District of Philadelphia. He was still there in 1782.

There were a Nathaniel Brown, a William Brown, and a John Brown in Cumberland County in