



His Birth and Parentage.

I, THOMAS B. BROWN, of the Township of East Nissouri, in the County of Oxford, was born Aug. 4th, 1804, in the township of Argenteuil in what was then called Lower Canada, but now the Province of Quebec. My grandfather, a comb maker by trade, was born in Northumberland, England. He emigrated to America and lived in Rhode Island, New England States. He fought and was wounded in the Revolutionary war. By his first wife he had three daughters, two of whom were married in the State of Vermont. He married for his second wife, a lady who had been captured by the Indians, and had been in captivity several years. The relation to her step children of the history of her captivity, including the cruelty and suffering she endured, inspired in them a great dread of the Indians.

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Becoming dissatisfied with some forms of the new Government, he as well as my father Joseph, who was born in Rhode Island, moved to Lower Canada remaining there until his death and leaving a large family of sons and daughters. His second wife died about fifteen or twenty years ago. A notice of her death with all the particulars of her captivity was given in the Christian Guardian of Toronto.

My father was married in the State of Vermont, to Rebecca Brush. They