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BROWN, GEORGE J. -- In Headright Certificate No. 238 issued to George Brown in 1838 for one league and one labor of land by the Board of Land Commissioners for Brazoria County it is stated that he came to Texas before May 2, 1835. The compiler is assuming that this man served in Captain Richard Roman's Company at San Jacinto. The company was organized in Brazoria Municipality on January 30, 1836, but most of the men in it arrived at Velasco January 28, 1836 on the schooner Pennsylvania. Those who arrived on the boat are listed on page 27 of the army rolls in the General Land Office and Mr. Brown's name is not among them, indicating that he joined the company later. This is in a way borne out by the fact that on January 19, 1839 George J. Brown was issued Bounty Certificate No. 7010 for 640 acres of land for having served in the army from February 13 to August 13, 1836. The rights to the certificate had been assigned to Ralph Jacobs.

In Comptroller's Military Service Record No. 815 it is certified that Mr. Brown was Drummer and Drum Major in Captain Roman's Company. It is also stated that he served in the army from February 13 to August 13, 1836.

In Fannin Bounty File No. 859, in the General Land Office there is Donation Certificate No. 533 issued November 26, 1853 for 640 acres of land in the name of George J. Brown and due him for having participated in the Battle of San Jacinto. In the file there is an affidavit of Mary A. Hill of New Orleans, November 26, 1853 in which she stated that she was the widow of Mr. Brown and that he had died at Houston November 21, 1844. Sometime after his death Mrs. Brown

had married George F. S. Hilt.

The State of Texas had a monument erected at Mr. Brown's grave in Pioneer's Memorial Park, Houston, in 1936.