

## **LANGTONS OF MUSKOKA, ONTARIO**

### **Arrival in Canada**

Three sons of Reverend Arthur James Langton and his wife Emily Matilda Gosling are the patriarchs of this family in Canada. This is their story...

Rev. Arthur James was born in about 1800 in Leicester, Leicestershire, England. He died in 1890 in Bournemouth, Dorset, England. He married Emily Matilda Gosling on 29 Feb 1826 at St Mary Abbots Church, in London, England. She was born on 05 Mar 1802 in Richmond, Surrey, England. She died on 05 Mar 1883 in Newton Abbot, Devonshire, England. Together they had eleven children, namely; Anna Sophia, Arthur, Henry, Wenman, Emily, Robert, Alfred Cecil, Louisa, Frederick, Julia Matilda and Charles Augustus. Wenman, Alfred Cecil, and Frederick emigrated to Canada.

Wenman was born on 02 Feb 1830 in Weeting, Norfolk, England. He died of an intestinal tumour on 04 Jan 1882 in Watt, Muskoka, Ontario, Canada. He married Elizabeth Wilson on 19 May 1867 in Staffordshire, England, daughter of Thomas Wilson and Elizabeth Birch. She was born on 19 Dec 1841 in St Mary's, Staffordshire, England. She died of old age in the Ety Residence on 20 Jan 1924 in Armour, Berriedale, Ontario, Canada. They left for Canada aboard the North American, on 23 May 1867. With them was her father Thomas Wilson and a nine year old child named Francis Wilson. In June, the ship ran ashore on Anticosti Island in the St Lawrence. It was refloated and towed to Quebec for repairs.

Alfred Cecil was born on 12 May 1839 in Wickmere, Norfolk, England. He died after 1911. He married Rosina C Penrose in 1862 in Skibbereen, Cork, Ireland, daughter of John Penrose and Mary Ann Arthur. She was born on 03 Feb 1848 in England. They came to Canada in 1869.

Frederick was born on 19 Jun 1844 in Hempstead Norfolk, England. He died on 26 Dec 1912 in Mortlach, Saskatchewan, Canada. He married Harriet Penrose (Rosina's sister) on 02 Jul 1872 in Watt, Ontario. She was born on 01 Nov 1850 in Mortonhamstead, Devon, England. She died on 14 Jan 1892 in Collingwood, Ontario, Canada. They came separately to Canada in 1871, one year before they married.

Frederick Langton, Harriet Penrose and Family c1892



(Left to Right: Ret, Harriet, Gertrude, baby, Ruth, Jack, Joan, Frederick, Arthur, Percy)

Charles Frederick Langton (Wenman's Son), Christiana Webber and Family 1914



(Left to Right Back: Ralph, Steve, Wenman, Gertie, Lizzie, Sarah)

(Left to Right Front: Josh, Twin Baby Fred, Charles Frederick, Alf, Christiana, Twin Baby Ethel, Anne)

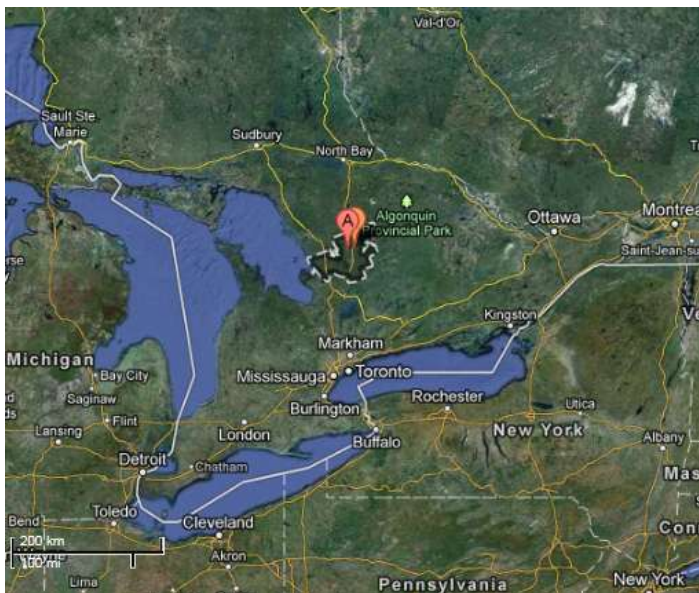
## Traced Location in Canada

Wenman, Alfred Cecil and Frederick Langton all owned property in the township of Watt, Muskoka, Ontario. Wenman owned two side-by-side lots, midway between Three Mile Lake and Skeleton Lake. Alfred Cecil owned two lots; one at the south-eastern edge of Watt, adjacent to neighbouring Stephenson township, and the other at the north-western edge of Watt, adjacent to neighbouring Cardwell township (on Rousseau Lake). Frederick owned one lakeside lot at the southern end of Camel Lake, not far from one of Alfred Cecil's lots.

Alfred Cecil also owned property in the neighbouring township of Cardwell, Muskoka, Ontario. This lot was end-to-end with his lakeside lot in Watt.

Frederick and his wife Harriet were married by the Rev. Thomas Ball, first incumbent at nearby Bracebridge Town. Rev. Ball raised one thousand dollars to pay for a new church building, which opened on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1872. It was at this time that the parish changed its name to St. Thomas's in honor of its first rector.

[St. Thomas' Anglican Church, 4 Mary Street, Bracebridge, ON \(the original wooden church shown here\)](#)



## Traced Location in Country of Origin

The earliest known ancestor in England is Osbert Langton, of Lincolnshire. He was born between 1116 & 1161 and is referred to as the “Langton by Spilsby/Partney patriarch”. Reverend Arthur James Langton was his 19th great grandson.

Lincolnshire, England



Map of England and France 1152-1327



## Prosperity in Canada, Argentina and Elsewhere

Today, it is estimated that about 1/5 of all the Langtons in Canada are descended from these Langtons. It appears that they all migrated to western Canada. Descendants of Wenman can be found living in Manitoba and British Columbia. Descendants of Frederick can be found in Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. No descendants of Alfred Cecil could be found.

Robert Langton was a brother to Wenman, Alfred Cecil and Frederick. He remained in England and had one son named Arthur Wenman (1869-1953). Arthur Wenman became an accountant and emigrated to Buenos Aires. He is the patriarch of all Langtons in Argentina. His great grandson Juan Esteban took a Paternal Lineage Test, the results of which are provided later in this article.

In fact, descendants of the “Langton by Spilsby/Partney patriarch” can be found living all around the world. The LOST LANGTONS DNA Project has discovered three Y-Paternal DNA matches to Juan Esteban Langton; Raymond and Roger Langton of Australia and Jacob Langston of the U.S.A. The latter “Langston” is evidence of name drift from “Langton”.



## DNA – Haplogroup I2a1c

At the time that Juan Esteban Langton took his DNA test, ANCESTRY placed him in Haplogroup I2a. This has since been refined to sub clade I2a1c. See his results at the end of the section.

There is no DNA data available for this Langton family in Canada. Perhaps you can be the very first Canadian to genetically prove your ancestral origin.

If you are a male descendant and would like to learn more about genetic genealogy, I invite you to visit:

ANCESTRY for their DNA Information: <http://dna.ancestry.com/learnMorePaternal.aspx>

LOST LANGTONS for their DNA Project: <http://www.lostlangtons.co.uk/LangtonDNAProject.shtml>

If you wish to participate in LOST LANGTONS DNA Project, please feel free to contact me for help (see my contact information at the end of this article). I will personally arrange to provide you or your male relative with a Y-Chromosome 46 Marker Test from ANCESTRY for only \$125.00USD. This is a 30% savings on the currently advertised price. When the test is complete, I will personally submit your data for review by my friends at LOST LANGTONS. They will analyze your data and confirm your village of origin.

### PATERNAL LINEAGE TEST RESULTS FOR JUAN ESTEBAN LANGTON

Your DNA test results show that you belong to haplogroup I2a, a subgroup of The Stonemasons.



This map shows the likely migration pathways of your ancient ancestors, The Stonemasons (haplogroup I2a). Your ancestors may have crafted tools and ornaments from stone, and probably lived in what is now Bosnia and Herzegovina, the north Balkans, and the eastern Ukraine. To use your test results to build your family tree, visit [dna.ancestry.com](http://dna.ancestry.com) and learn about other participants with genetic profiles similar to your own.

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#### YOUR HAPLOTYPE

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| Location | 19a | 19b | 385a | 385b | 388 | 389I | 389II | 390 | 391 | 392 | 393 | 426  | 437  | 438  | 439  | 441  | 442  | 444           | 445    | 446    | 447            | 448 | 449           |
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