

# LANGLEY, MOSES DOW

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LANGLEY, MOSES DOW, born at Deerfield, Rockingham County, New Hampshire, February 24, 1840, son of Giah and Sarah (Dow) Langley; married, Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Dixon at \_\_\_\_\_ on Sept. \_\_\_\_\_, 1900.

Listed, Territorial Census, April, 1864, 3d District (Yavapai County), age 24, occupation - Miner, resident in Arizona 6 months; U.S. Census, 1870, at Kirkland Valley, Yavapai County, age 30, occupation - Farmers; the following items concerning him were printed in the Prescott Arizona Miner:

June 15, 1877 - - Moses Langley of Upper Kirkland Valley, brought in a load of excellent corn this morning which he offers for sale. Mr. Langley has the finest farm house in Yavapai County.

March 28, 1879 - - M. D. Landley, arrived in town to-day, from Kirkland Valley, with a load of baled hay for Mr. Whitehair of the City Feed Yard.

July 9, 1880 - - LOST: A small, black account book, somewhere between Prescott and the Post, containing an order for a little over \$31 on J. P. Hargrave, drawn by J. H. Pierson, also several others, and a letter addressed to Mary Langley. The finder will please return the same to this office, or to Abe Prather, Sutler's Store.

MOSE LANGLEY.

The Prescott Courier mentioned him a number of times:

April 26, 1884 - - Moses Langley arrived here yesterday from Weaver, 35 miles West of Prescott, with about a boot full of gold, among which was one flat, rugged looking piece, which weighed, we are told, 32 ounces and which, at \$18 an ounce, is worth \$576. We had the pleasure of taking the nugget in our paw, as had many others. Moses panned it out; that is; he found it in a pan of gravel.

He, with many other miners, has done well in the old diggings the past winter. The piece was no surprise to us, as we have, in years past

seen a great many such pieces. In 1863, when Rich Hill was discovered, panfuls of such pieces were picked up by the late Jack W. Swilling, A. H. Peeples and others.

We, ourself, had a finger in the rich pie. With a water supply to wash gravel in the vicinity of Rich Hill, millions of dollars worth of gold could be taken out of Weaver district. As Mr. F. M. Murphy had Mr. Langley in town, chances are favorable for the exhibition of this specimen of Arizona's resources in the great city by the Mississippi. (The World's Fair at New Orleans).

March 23, 1890 - - Mose Langley, one of original gold diggers of this section, but, who is now a thrifty farmer, is in from his home in Kirkland Valley. The writer met him on *Lynx Creek* in 1864.

June 9, 1891 - - Moses Langley, one of the men who fought Indians here in '63 and '4, was here yesterday from his ranch in Kirkland Valley. Upon said ranch is a beautiful little lake.

June 17, 1916 - - M. D. Langley, one of the oldest residents of Kirkland Valley, was reported last week as very ill. He has reached an advanced age and is suffering from a general breakdown, from which it is feared he cannot recover.

On July 2, 1916, the Prescott Journal-Miner stated:

Ed I. Johnson, who accompanied M. D. Langley, the well and popularly known pioneer to the latter's old home at Suncook, New Hampshire, passed through the city Friday on the return trip to Kirkland Valley. Mr. Langley is failing in health, owing to his advanced age, and hereafter will be cared for by a brother and sister. He has been a useful citizen, and for over 40 years has been a resident of this County. His wife remains at the old homestead near Kirkland.

Died at Allenstown, Merrimack County, New Hampshire, January 24, 1917, age 76; buried, Head's Cemetery, Hooksett, N. H.

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