

become an Indian trader, with his son Charles—the first born by his marriage with an Indian woman. Accompanied by a few others, the Langlades left the settlement which had been formed at Mackinaw, and effected a lodgment at Green Bay. They located upon the southeast side of Fox River, just above the present site of the city of Green Bay. Here they constructed homes, and are generally regarded as the first permanent white settlers in the country.

Charles de Langlade took an active part in the war between the French and English colonies. He marched at the head of several bands of warriors of various tribes, in the Northwest, accompanied by several distinguished chiefs—among those who joined him on the way was the noted Pontiac—to aid the French at Fort Du Quesne, now Pittsburgh. It is claimed that he was one of the principal commanders in the battle which resulted in the defeat and death of General Braddock. He was also at the battle of Quebec, in the year 1759, when the city fell into the possession of the English; and took part in several other engagements during the French and English wars. When the country passed into the possession of the British, he engaged in their service, and sided against the Americans in the war of the Revolution. He lived to an advanced age, and boasted of having been in ninety-nine battles and skirmishes, regretting that he could not fight one more to round out the number to an even hundred.

From the commencement of the permanent settlement in Green Bay, in 1745, up to 1785, a period of forty years, there was but little increase in the number of its permanent settlers, as at that time there were not in all more than six or seven families residing there, which, with the persons in their employ, amounted in all to about fifty individuals. From the year 1791, up to the year 1812, several other settlers, principally from Canada, took up their residence there, making the number of families, at this latter date, about thirty, with a population of some two hundred and fifty souls.

Among the inhabitants of Green Bay, at this time, was the rather notorious Charles Reaume, who subsequently be-