THE ISRAEL BOWEN FAMILY  by Alan Lindsay

Family records state that Israel Bowen was born in Halifax. He and his wife Isabella came to Lansdowne via the USA in 1796 and settled on Concession 3 west of the village. They are said to have had several sons, but only two are known: John Lamb 1790 - 1862 and David 1796 - 1871/81. About 1818 they moved to South Elmsley (Lombardy) where Isabella died about 1830. John Lamb remained in Lansdowne and David went to Mooretown, Ontario (near Sarnia) where he founded the Mooretown Carriage Works. Israel joined David after Isabella’s death and died there in 1848 at 100 years of age.

John Lamb Bowen married Mary Neil (1792 - 1846) and Agnes?.

Children of John and Mary Bowen
Israel James Bowen 1825 - 1882 - m - Elizabeth McConnell 1835 - 1877 and Jane Cliffe 1841 - 1929
Nelson Bowen 1827 - 1911
John Bowen 1837 - 1872  Nelson and John joined their Uncle in Mooretown
Sarah Bowen - m - Wm. Free and James Thomas. Decendants live in Theresa N.Y.
Alice Bowen 1826 - 1876 - m - Thomas Webster 1809 - 1863
? Margaret Bowen 1828 - 1860 - m - Andrew Clendenning

Children of Israel J. Bowen and Elizabeth McConnell
Wm. Nelson Bowen 1860 - 1956 - m - Martha McMullen 1866 - 1953 - Gertrude (Webster), Ruby, John Ford
Allie - m - Edward Ryan - Ernest, Hubert
John Wesley
Marie - m - Oscar Botsford - Frederick, Omar, Arthur
Emily - m - H. Weart and Oscar Botsford - no children
Elizabeth 1877 - 1954 - m - George Horton 1866 - 1933 - Arthur, Charles, Bertha (White)

Children of Thomas and Alice Bowen Webster
Jane 1843 - 1916 - m - John Foley - Wesley
Mary 1845 - 1870 - m - George Loney - Mary
Elizabeth 1847 - 1925 - m - Peter Wood - no children
Margaret 1849 - 1928 - m - Robert Foley - Mary Jane, Wm. Henry, James
Martha 1851 - 1928 - m - Nat Kendrick - Alice, Mareetta, T.J., Bertha
    - m - Wm. Steacy - Robert, Anna (McCormick)
Alice 1856 - 1933 - m - Joseph Cliffe - Maude, Albert, Gertrude
Isabella 1854 - 1870
Wm. Nelson 1858 - 1938 - m - Victoria Storey - Alice, Sarah, T.J., Martha, Maggie, Hester, Jane,
    Robert, Pearl, Mabel, Wilhelmina, Anna May, Ford

Children of Andrew and Margaret Bowen Clendenning
Elizabeth
Mary
Caroline - m - W.J. Rudd
Isabella - m - ?Eberly
Margaret - m - ?Hare
John Wesley - m - Alma Bradley - Guy, Edna (m Wm. Wilson Berry)
Andrew - m - Elizabeth Topping - Campbell, Stanley
Susannah - m - James McCormick

There are many descendents of Israel and Isabella Bowen living in the Lansdowne/Gananoque area.