

PERSONAL.

Mr. James McReary, lumberman, of Arnprior, Ont., recently lost a valise containing \$1,500 on the road between Renfrew and Shamrock.

Mr. Thos. Southworth, editor of the Recorder, Brockville, Ont., has been appointed to the position of Clerk of Forestry, vacated by the death of Hon. C. F. Fraser.

Mr. R. A. Stark, saw miller, of Owen Sound, Ont., died on the 19th of April. He was one of the pioneers of Grey County, was for years reeve of Derby township, and lately resigned the candidature of the Patrons for the House of Commons.

The death is announced of Mr. A. H. Baldwin, one of the pioneer lumbermen of Ottawa, who has been closely identified with the growth of this leading industry during the past forty years. He owned one of the first saw mills on the valuable site now occupied by the McKay Milling Co.'s grist mill.

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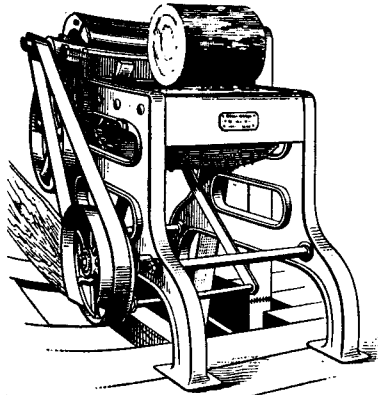
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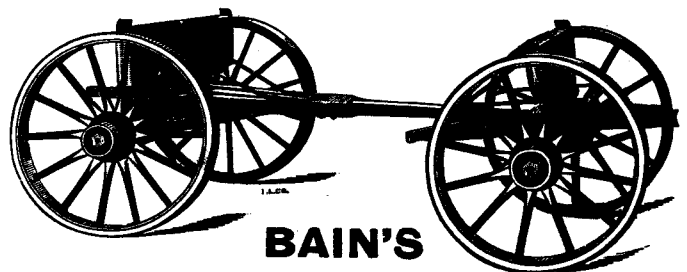
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