

the name of H. A. Massey & Company. In 1855 he became the sole proprietor of the business and remained at its head until his death in 1896, forty-one years later.

Important inventions, the outcome of Hart Massey's efforts, gave the little company a great impetus in its early years. These achievements came in quick succession. In 1852 the Massey firm produced the "Ketchum" mower, the first mowing-machine made on Canadian soil. This was followed by the "Burrell" reaper, a rudimentary invention made to be drawn behind the fore-wheels of a wagon. In 1855 the "Manny" combined hand-rake reaper and mower was placed on the market. In 1861 the firm brought out the famous "Woods" mower, and in 1863 produced the "Woods" self-rake reaper, the first self-rake harvester made in the Dominion.

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