

# Iron works once located in county

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says, enigmatically, "After running successfully for about five years, the company became involved in some manner, and was forced to suspend operations."

The *Courier-Tribune* article states that a few local old-timers believed that Ross had some silent partners back East.

Whatever the reason for shutting down the business, Randolph Ross, junior or senior, certainly didn't hang around the county long. The 1850 census for Monroe County contains no such persons. All that remains of what promised to be the Gary of Southern Indiana is the foundation of the old furnace.—