

The sawmill had only operated for a few years before it was sold to Peter Neilsen Lovf.

After selling the mill, Ned Beanland farmed at Goomeri for a short time, after which he moved to Newmarket, Brisbane, establishing a carrying company.

As for John King, he took over the family business, a store then owned by his brother-in-law George French.



WOODFORD, January 5.
Mr. J. A. King has taken over the business of Mr. G. T. French, who is about to leave for the Front, having worked himself up to the position of lieutenant since enlistment.

From TROVE: *THE BRISBANE COURIER* 6 January 1916



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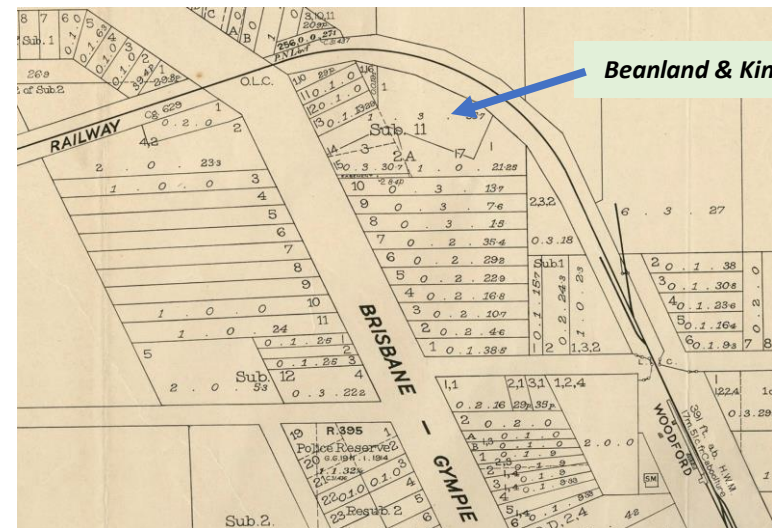
*Queensland PO Directories, Trove Newspapers, local historian Ron Trim
'The Family of Thomas and Lydia Emma Kinton Beanland' by Denver Beanland*

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Sawmills of Durundur ...

Beanland, King & Co Sawmill (1912 – c1915)



1936: Survey Map of Woodford

In 1912, Edward Thomas Beanland joined with his brother-in-law John Adolphus King and erected a sawmill at Woodford.

Edward Thomas (Ned) Beanland (1880-1952)

Woodford Sawmills



Beanland, King & Co Sawmill *continued*

Edward and John were sons of two of the early pioneers of the district. Edward came to Woodford as just a toddler in 1882, while John was born at Neurum.



Local historian Ron Trim's recollections:

In Woodford, where the Bowling Club is now, a mill had been built by Tom Beanland and J King.

J Higgins had a siding built for them in 1913. The Lovf family bought this mill around 1914/1916.

By 1912, Edward Beanland, a teamster at the time, built a sawmill beside the railway line just north of the Woodford Station.

WANTED No. 1 and No. 2 Tailerouts, and No. 2 Benchman. Apply Beanland's Sawmill, Woodford, or E.S.C.A. Office, Edward street.

From TROVE: *THE TELEGRAPH* 16 September 1912

Soon after he went into partnership with his brother-in-law John Adolphus King. John had done a bit of sawmilling as a young man.

Beanland King & Co, saw mill, Woodford

From *QUEENSLAND PO DIRECTORY* 1913

It appears that King & Co bought out Beanland's share sometime in 1914.

King & Co, sawmill, Woodford

From *QUEENSLAND PO DIRECTORY* 1915



John Adolphus King
(1879-1959)

First King Sawmill

By the end of 1885 Thomas King had a small sawmill at Woodford.

Mr. King has a small sawmill at Woodford,

From TROVE: *THE QUEENSLANDER* 5 December 1885



from "*Reflection*"

by Charles John Eaton 1888

'The King family was well known in the Woodford area in its early days. The boys got an old steam engine and started to cut some timber on top of the hill where the Woodford gaol now stands. It was the police paddock at that time.'



1936: Survey Map of Woodford

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In 1894, he rented out the four-horse-power mill which was situated at the rear of his store to George Seeney and James Green at 4s per week.