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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

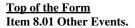
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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The Stanley Works

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut	1-5244	06-0548860
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
1000 Stanley Drive, New Britain, Connecticut		06053
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including	area code:	(860) 225-5111
	Not Applicable	
Former nar	me or former address, if changed since l	ast report
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On September 16, 2005, The Stanley Works issued a press release announcing that it had entered into an agreement to purchase National Manufacturing Co. d/b/a National Hardware for \$170 million. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) 99.1 Press release dated September 16, 2005.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The Stanley Works

September 19, 2005 By: /s/ Bruce H. Beatt

Name: Bruce H. Beatt

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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Exhibit No.	Description
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