



The Port Carling House, a vanished landmark since January, 1972 was the first hotel in Port Carling. Erected by Mr. John Thomas in 1869 and called the "Polar Star". In 1886 he sold it to Mr. R. A. Arksey who changed the name to "Inter-laken."

In 1897 Mr. Joseph Ruddy bought the Inter-laken and changed the name to "The Port Carling House".

Subsequent owners were Mr. George Cannell and Mr. Leslie Whyte.

During her years as president of the Sanford Women's Institute in 1972, Mrs. Ruth Schreiber was instrumental in procuring some of the timbers of the Port Carling House to be an enduring evidence for posterity. Mr. Elmer Kirbyson made from them a bench which was placed at the Port Carling Museum.

