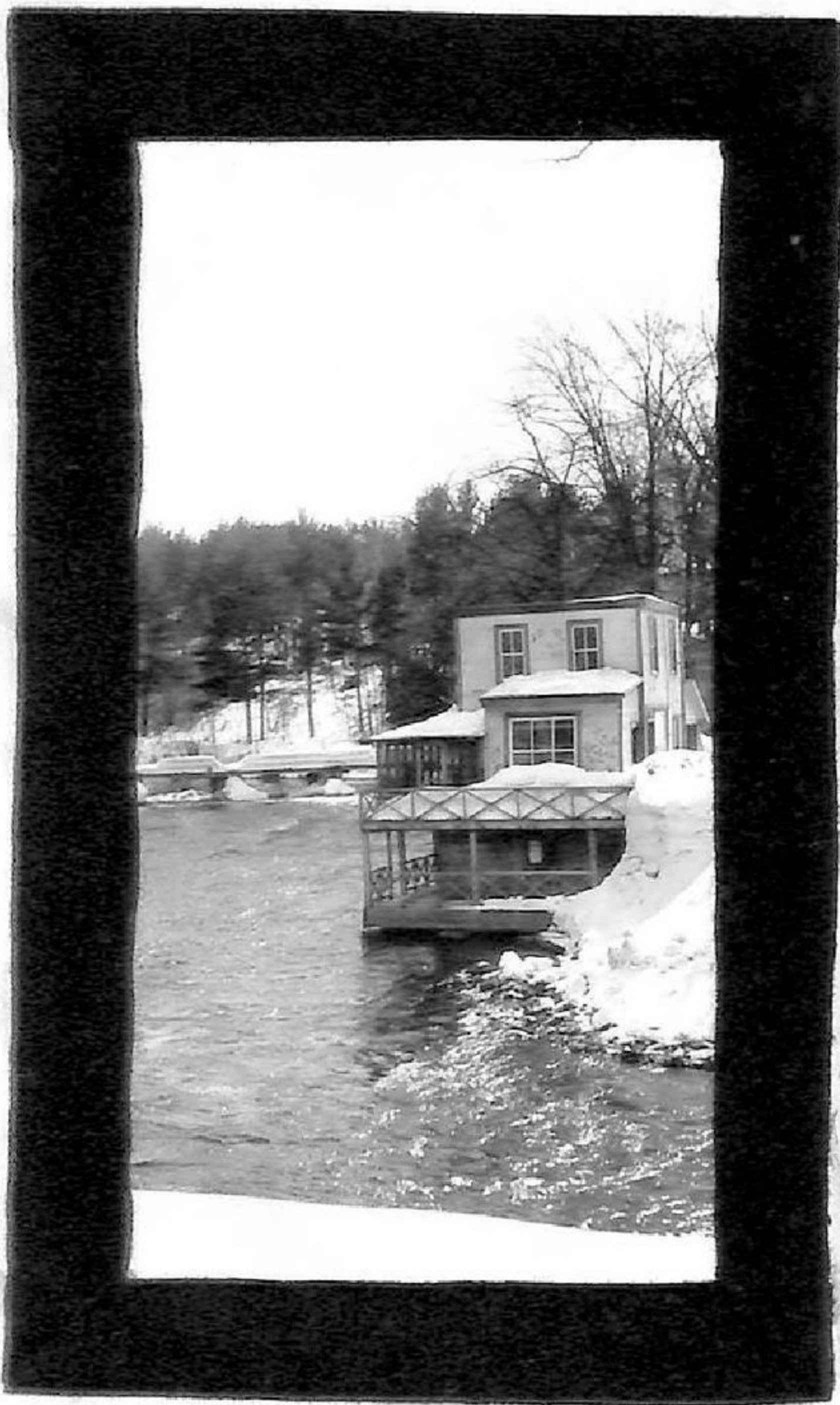




The site of Mr. John Wallace's Barber shop was on the south side of the bridge. He sold this building to Mr. William Killen and moved to one that was destroyed by fire in 1931, where the present barber shop stands.



On May 16th, 1907, Mr. William Killen bought this building from Mr. John Wallace and installed the first telephone in the village. About 1910 a switch-board was installed. Mr. Killen was appointed as manager of the Bracebridge and Muskoka Lakes Telephone Company. Before the building was removed to make way for the bridge that was finished in 1975 it accommodated the Mildred Wright shop. A story of interest related by Mr. Mel Wallace, nephew of Mr. John Wallace; When renovations were made to the building by Mr. George Roberts, he wondered at a circle on the floor. It was one worn by Mr. Wallace where his barber chair stood.