



ICE FOR SAFETY'S SAKE: The men are busy cutting through the ice in front of the wharf to protect it from the ice movement in the spring breakup. The location was where the late Colonel Moodie had his summer home at the Lake Rosseau outlet into the Indian River.



THE PRIDE AND JOY: Mr. Cowan's in-laws, Issac Matchett and his wife, and his brother, Bill Cowan, wife and children are pictured above in front of one of Muskoka's few automobiles in 1921. Mr. Matchett purchased the car in the United States for the exorbitant price of \$325.

A Bygone Landmark . . .



In the great fire of October, 1931, Sutton's Ice Cream Parlor and Dance Hall was burned to the ground along with many other buildings. The 21 Club occupies the site now where the building stood — one of the first buildings to be seen in the business section as the traveller by Lakes steamer arrived at Port Carling coming from Lake Muskoka. The building was erected about 1914. Mr. George Sutton had previously operated an ice cream business as well as a butcher shop, located near the locks from 1888 until 1907, and then on the main street, until the above building was erected.



CUTTING ICE: Before electric refrigeration, many summer locations had ice houses from which ice could be sold to cottagers for their "ice box" refrigerators. The ice was cut from the lake during the winter in large blocks and stored, covered with sawdust, in well built and well shaded buildings.