

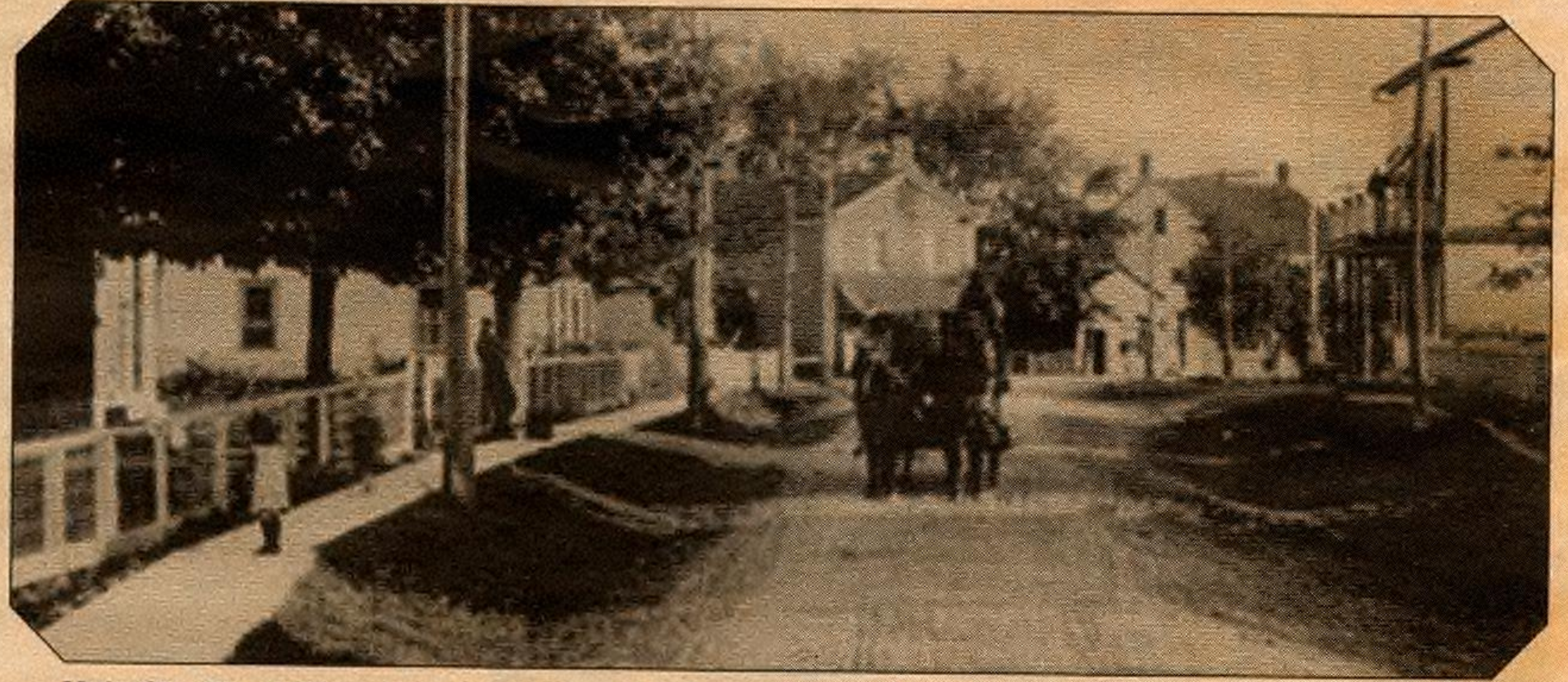
# Wheeler's store

*Glen Williams shop once employed Timothy Eaton*

Andrew Wheeler worked for a John Moore in Limehouse managing a sawmill before moving to Glen Williams in 1883 and purchasing the store and post office. The familiar red brick store at 517 Main Street was built by Charles Williams in the late 1830's of hand-made brick. The walls are three bricks thick and the beams two feet square. The building was sold to Mr. McCrea who was appointed village postmaster and later sold to Andrew Wheeler.

John Alexander Wheeler, born at Limehouse in 1874, was almost 10 when his father Andrew bought the store and therefore had an opportunity to grow up with the business which he took over in 1912. He is well-remembered for his musical talents and more especially for his avid interest in photography. Many of his better historical photographs not only of Glen Williams but of the region are by John A. Wheeler.

The Wheeler store carried dry goods, groceries, footwear, hardware, patent medicines, confectionery, fruit and vegetables. There was



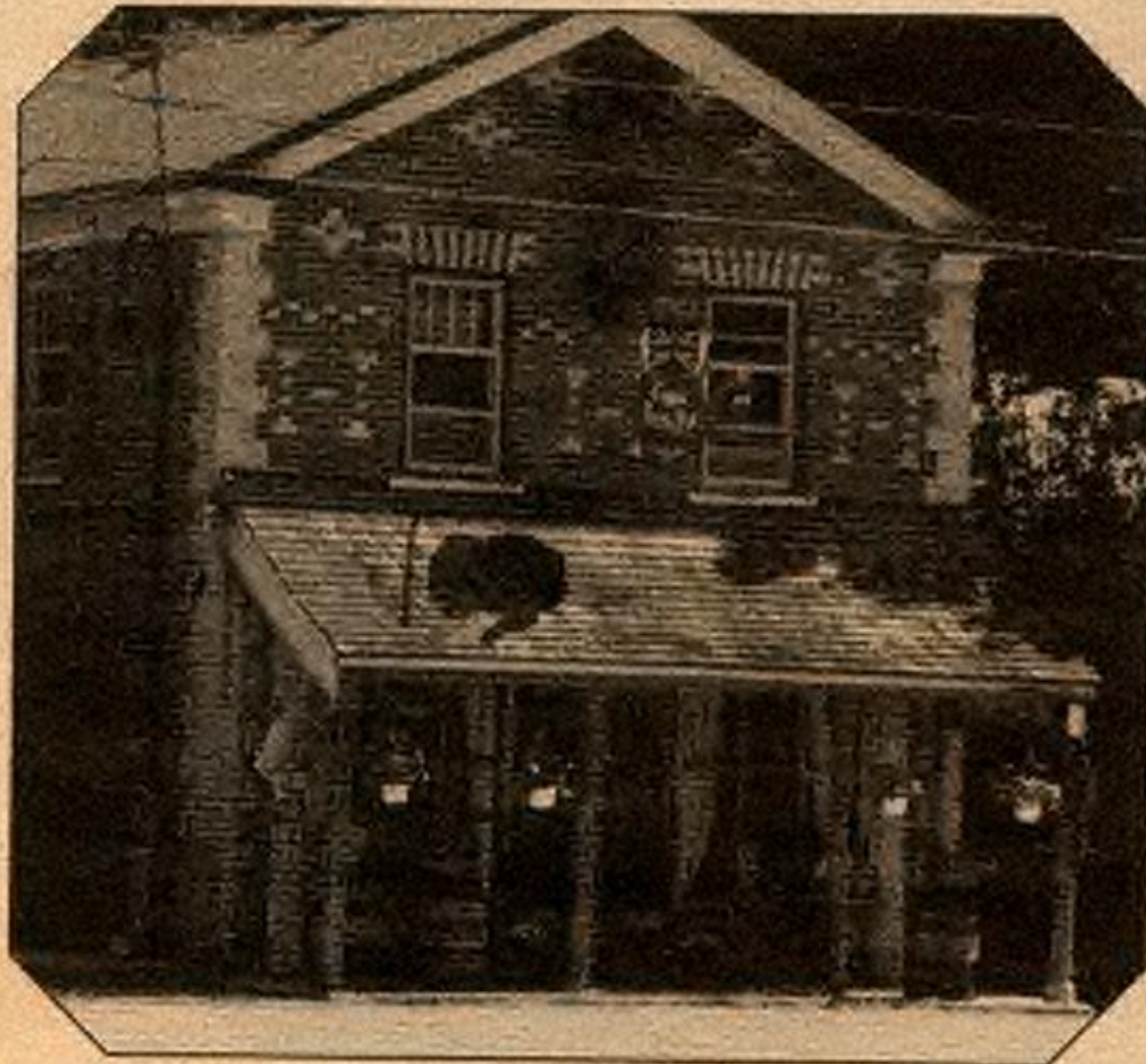
Main St., Glen Williams looking towards Wheeler's store, circa 1908.

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never any "bargain" at Wheeler's Store, which served not only the village but also the surrounding farm community. John A. offered his goods at prices that he believed were fair and right and therefore there was no need for any gimmicks.

In 1944 John A. Wheeler's son Harold took over the business. John A. did not retire but instead opened

The brick store located at 517 Main Street in Glen Williams has had many incarnations from a general store to its current home of the Copper Kettle Pub.



up an ice cream parlour which was formerly a general store owned by "Slick" Lyons at 523 Main Street. This white building, just around the cor-

ner from the former Wheeler General Store, is the one in which Timothy Eaton worked as a bookkeeper-clerk in the mid-1850s.

Harold Wheeler was born in the village in 1906 and was raised in the store, which he owned until his death in 1971. He was the third generation of the family to be the postmaster of the village and is remembered, as were his father and grandfather, for his kindness to customers, especially children.

Wheeler married Irene (Nan) Tost whose family roots are very deep in the area. Her great-great-grandfather was George Kennedy, founder of Georgetown. Nan took over the business until 1972 when Charles Bush and his wife operated the store under the Wheeler name.

In December 1973, Mel Smith opened Mel's Antiques which offered the same items Andrew Wheeler might have sold in the 1890's. The building has changed ownership a number of times in recent years, but in 1987 Brenda and Graham Gove bought the building and continue to operate the popular family-run business Copper Kettle Pub.

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