

## History of Clinton and Area

- 1793 Alexander Mackenzie's trek from the junction of the Peace and Smokey Rivers over the Rockies to the Pacific Ocean. Start of the sustained fur trade in the Pacific North West.
- 1840's A branch of the Hudson Bay Brigade track. Swept 30 miles east of Clinton, linking with the Kamloops Trading post.
- 1861 Trail connection over Pavillion Mountain to Kelly Lake Road and onward to Clinton, completed by Wright and Calbreath.
- 1863 East Section of the Yale-Cariboo Road from Spences Bridge to Clinton completed.
- 1862 Clinton Hotel built.
- 1958 Clinton Hotel burned down killing 3 people – at that time this was one of the oldest hotels west of the Rockies.
- 1863 Clinton officially became the name, replacing the previous name of "The Junction". Named after the Colonial Secretary of England – Henry Tiennes Pelham Clinton, the 5<sup>th</sup> Duke of Newcastle.
- 1872 First Government Agent of Clinton appointed – Charles Edward Pope.
- 1872 Clinton Jail burns.
- 1911 Government Stables built for Ministry of Highways.
- 1873 New School House opened in Clinton.
- 1892 Red Brick School House (now the museum) was built.
- 1866 First Grist Mill established in Clinton by J.H. Scott.
- 1806 1890 – Railway pushed into the area.
- 1863 Gang Ranch was established by Jerome and Thaddeus Harper.
- 1960 A school was built on the Gang Ranch and ran for about 10 years.
- 1977 The Alsagar Family purchased the Gang Ranch. This was the first time the Ranch was actually owned by Canadians.
- 1869 Longest continuous running ball was held in Clinton and continues today.

1963

Village of Clinton was incorporated.