

CLINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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SOCIETY BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Give the gift of Clinton history by purchasing one of the Society's books and other items.

- *Kirkland farms, R.L. Williams, \$25.00
- *Isaac Williams, Deacon & Carpenter, Sylvia Saunders, \$7.00
- *Sauquoit Valley, Evelyn Edwards, \$21.00
- *117th Infantry Regiment, \$28.00
- *Kirkland Since 1827, R.L. Williams, \$10.00
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1885 pictorial, \$5.00; 1874 atlas, \$5.00;
Danella's 1973, \$4.00; and cemetery map,
\$4.00
- *Clinton 1987 bicentennial items:
Blue bottle, \$8.00; Lumbard Hall plate,
\$10.00

Send price plus \$2.00 postage for each item to CHS, P.O. Box 42, Clinton, New York 13323.

Locally, most of these items can be bought at Ali Linz at 3 West Park Row, the Society during open hours, town clerk's office, and the Hamilton College bookstore.

NY ONTARIO & WESTERN RR STORY

For 34 years now the New Hartford Historical Society and the Clinton Historical Society have held joint meetings in the fall.

This year John Taibi will discuss the now-departed O & W RR which ran between Utica and Sidney through both Clinton and New Hartford.

Taibi has written books on the O & W including the 2003 *Rails Along the Oriskany*. Taibi lives in the former O & W train station in Munnsville, New York. This was on the mainline which ended in Oswego.

John is also actively involved with the O & W Railway Historical Society.

The setting for this rail history will be the Willowvale Fire Station on Oneida Street in Chadwicks at 2 PM on Sunday, November 7th.

FALL OPEN HOURS

Your Society now has open hours on the first Wednesday of each month between 6 PM and 8 PM. This presents a good opportunity for those unable to visit during the regular Wednesday (1-3) or Saturday (11-2) hours to do research.

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LITHIA WATER

Conclusion

Now we conclude the lithia water story with a more detailed account of what the water contained and its uses.

Literature from the Split Rock firm tells us that the mineral matter or salts consists of carbonates and chlorides of sodium, potassium, lithium, calcium, magnesium with traces of bromides and iodines.

The water was touted as a medicinal cure for various ailments. A Split Rock brochure claimed that the lithia water “keeps blood fluid” and was prescribed for indigestion, fatigue, headache, sea or morning sickness, “nerves,” and stomach troubles.

It was a laxative and acted on the lower bowels and was used extensively in kidney troubles to flush and regulate kidneys. It was a valuable treatment for gout and rheumatism, according to the brochure.

Lithia water was a tonic, increased red blood cells and body weight; it also augmented the elimination of waste. It was used with raw milk in infant and convalescent feeding.

The presence of bicarbonate and chloride of lithium and the carbonate of iron placed it in the class of waters most popular in Europe and America. The same salts were found in Vichy, France, Saratoga, New York, and Waukesha, Wisconsin waters.

Split Rock was a “mineral water” of the highest quality and best medicinal virtues.

The Kernan family of Utica operated Split Rock from 1962 to the early 1970s which ended the lithia water business in Franklin Springs.

VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONY

For the second year in a row the Society will hold a solemn commemorative service at 11 AM on the 11th day of the 11th month (11/11/10) to salute all veterans, but especially this year the Korean War vets. Names of those lost in the war will be read along with those local Korean War veterans who are expected to attend.

The Clinton and Clark Mills American Legion posts and the Clinton V.F.W. post have been invited to participate. Let's show our support for Clinton vets by having a good turnout.

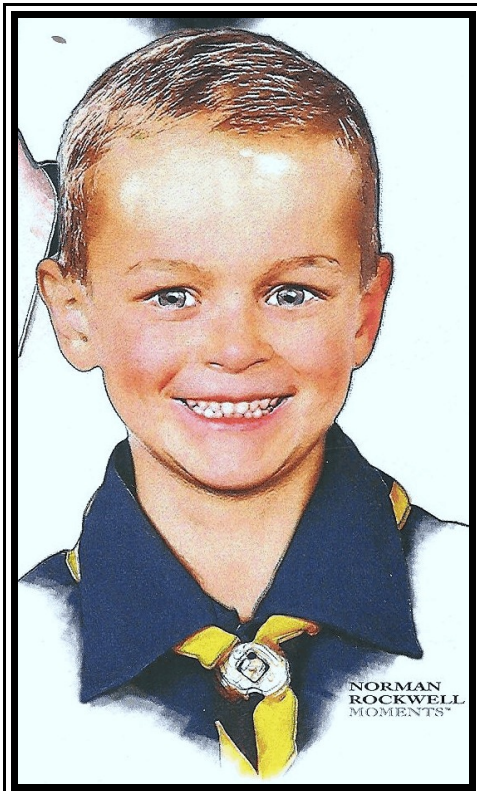
Victorian Lady Behavior

“A lady should be quiet in her manners, natural and unassuming in her language, careful to wound no one’s feelings, but giving generously and freely from the treasure of her pure mind to her friends. Scorning no one openly, she should feel gentle pity for the unfortunate, the inferior and the ignorant, at the same time carrying herself with an innocence and single heartedness which disarms ill nature, and wins respect and love from all.”

From “Victorian Station” at victorianstation.com.

In the 1959 and 1960 period “Jack’s University Shop” held forth at 4 College Street. The owner had started a men’s clothing shop in Hamilton a few years before opening here.

Today this store front holds “Pappa’s Ink,” a purveyor of soaps and candles.



2010 celebrates 100 years of scouting in the USA. Clinton had a troop in 1910 and continues today with Troop 9 sponsored by the Stone Presbyterian Church.

The Norman Rockwell painting at left aptly catches the excitement and enthusiasm of boys ages 8 to 18 who enjoy scouting each year.

Our own Bill Rudge has been a key part of Clinton scouting for 40 years. Thanks, Bill!