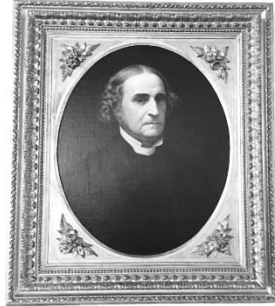




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## 2018 Snapshots of Montgomery's History

### 225 years ago...



**Joel Clapp**

Montgomery's first settlers, newlyweds Joshua and Abigail Clapp, arrive from the Deerfield, MA / Guilford, VT area in the Spring of 1793. The first native born Montgomerian, son Joel, is born in September. They were the only people living in Montgomery, or any neighboring town, for the next 2 ½ years!

### 110 years ago...

The Montgomery chapter of the Catholic Order of Foresters is formally established. A fraternal organization meant to assist members with insurance, it evolved into a greater philanthropic mission and social role.

### 50 years ago...

Gaston Begnoche buys his first registered cow. His herd would grow to 200 head of mostly registered Holsteins which consumed 2,000 tons of corn silage and 400 tons of hay a year. Production would rise to about 2.2 million pounds of milk a year.

### 10 years ago...



**Rita Tatro and Gov. Douglas**

Governor Douglas cuts the ribbon on Montgomery's new, 4+ million dollar, water treatment and distribution system. It services about 220 households and businesses in the Center and Village.

Source: Montgomery, Vermont: The History of a Town, Taylor, Branthoover, Sherman, and Bennett, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition.