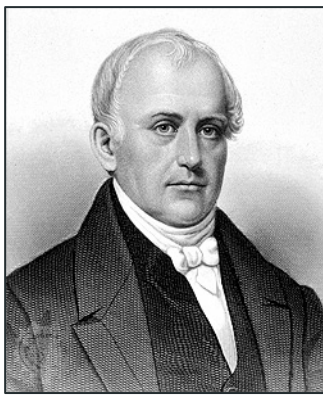


## #645 The Cotton Saints vs. the Linen Saints – Cotton was symbolic of American Independence and Patriotism

Leading up to and after the Revolutionary War period, “homespun” cotton was symbolic of American independence. Colonists wove cotton into coarse cloth for their own use. After the war, England and her manufacturers tried to keep cotton-mill machinery out of the United States. They wanted the United States to sell its raw cotton to England and buy back finished cloth.

[This would all change because of Samuel Slater. England outlawed the emigration of persons such as Slater in an effort to keep trade secrets inside the nation. In November 1789, Samuel Slater left England for New York disguised as an agricultural laborer, carrying his technical knowledge about textile machinery with him. Slater would supervise the building of cotton-mills in the United States in the 1790’s. By the 1920’s, the United States grew more than half the world’s cotton. Today, the U.S. produces about one-sixth of the world’s total.]



Samuel Slater



Slater Mill (above right), located on the Blackstone River in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, is generally cited as the birthplace of the Industrial Revolution in America. It is modeled after a mill in England where Samuel Slater, the mill’s founder, had been an employee. Slater Mill was built in 1793. It served as the first commercially viable cotton-spinning mill in the United States. It was used to convert raw cotton into cloth. Slater brought this new technology from England.

**Key Understanding:** *The cotton fiber itself was symbolic of the colonists’ independence from Great Britain. In addition to the Cotton family being instrumental and representative of the independence of America from Great Britain, the cotton fiber itself was symbolic of the colonists’ independence from Great Britain. This is a part of the picture of the Body of Americans as a Christian Democracy of sword-bearing Cotton Saints in contrast to cross-carrying Linen Saints, who reflect ruling and reigning with the Lord after the return of Jesus Christ. The Lord ordained the substitution of cotton for linen to further reveal the Body of Americans as a counterfeit of the Body of Christ.*

Cotton was symbolic of the colonists' independence from Great Britain



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*Revelation 19:14-15 (KJV) And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, CLOTHED IN FINE LINEN, WHITE AND CLEAN.*

*15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.*

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