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Cotton and Salem, Massachusetts

Cotton and **Salem** were joined together in history through **Cotton** Mather and the **Salem**, Massachusetts, witchcraft trials.

*1 Samuel 15:23 (KJV) **FOR** [1688-1692 **Cotton** and Mather] **REBELLION** [in conjunction with the Glorious Revolution/English Bill of Rights of 1688-1689] **IS AS THE SIN OF** [1688-1692 Boston-Salem] **WITCHCRAFT**, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.*



Cotton and Salem, North Carolina

Eli Whitney invented the cotton gin in 1793. In 1814, John Lineback of **Salem**, North Carolina, (which today is a part of Winston-Salem, North Carolina) patented the first **cotton**seed-hulling machine.

The value of cottonseed as a source of oil was recognized in the late 1700's. But there was no machinery to extract the oil until Lineback's invention. Cottonseed oil eventually became a part of the American diet. Until the 1940's, it was the major vegetable oil produced in the United States.

Key Understanding: Cotton and Salem. The Lord ordained that a major invention surrounding cotton be associated with Salem (North Carolina) to further confirm the Cotton and Salem connection.

With that understanding, we should address why the Lord chose Salem to be associated with the theme of the *sword-bearing Cotton Saints* in the first place.



Skyline of Winston-Salem, North Carolina

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