

# Reform Movement

# People and Events to Know

- ◉ Cyrus McCormick
- ◉ Eli Whitney
- ◉ Elizabeth Cady Stanton
- ◉ Fredrick Douglas
- ◉ Harriet Tubman
- ◉ Robert Fulton
- ◉ Sam Morse
- ◉ Sojourner Truth
- ◉ Erie Canal
- ◉ Fugitive Slave Act
- ◉ Industrial Revolution
- ◉ Ohio Women's Rights Convention
- ◉ Underground Railroad

# Vocabulary

- abolitionist
- conductor
- cotton gin
- cross-country
- expansion
- interchangeable parts
- invention
- locomotive
- looms
- mass production
- opportunity cost
- reaper
- reform
- spinning jenny
- steamboat
- steam-engine
- suffrage
- telegraph

# Concepts...

- How did the development of the steamboat, the locomotive, and the telegraph impact the American economy?
- How did improvements in transportation and communication affect the Native Americans?
- How did the introduction of the steamboat impact American commerce?
- How did the completion of the Erie Canal impact the growth of New York City?
- How were jobs created and eliminated by the introduction of the steamboat, railroad and telegraph in America?

# Concepts...

- ◉ Why was Harriet Tubman called "the Moses" of her people?
- ◉ How did Elizabeth Cady Stanton's actions promote women's rights?
- ◉ Why couldn't women vote in the United States?
- ◉ Why couldn't African Americans vote in the United States?

# Technological Advances

- ◉ Jobs held by Americans

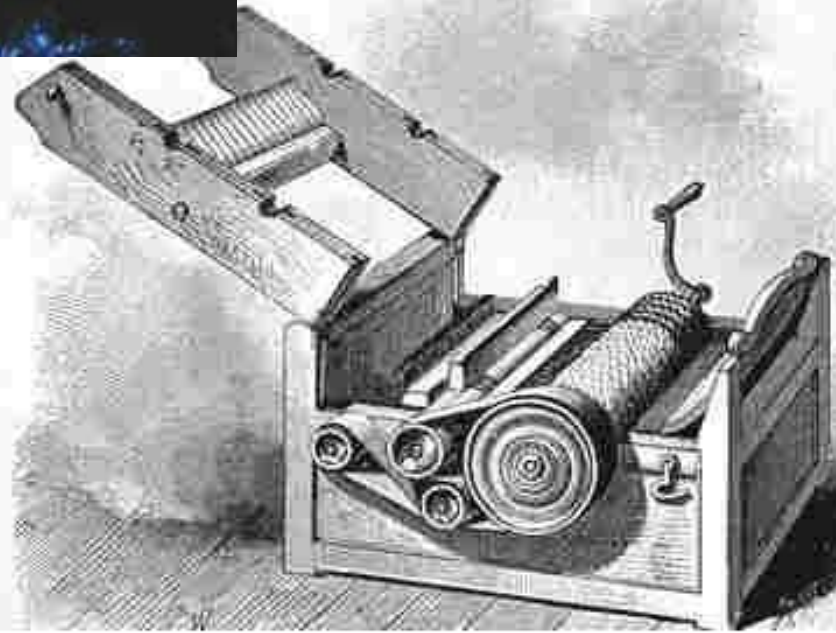
- > Farmers
- > Merchants / Traders
- > Skilled Workers
- > Government
- > Soldiers / Sailors

- ◉ Changes were coming about: Industrial Revolution

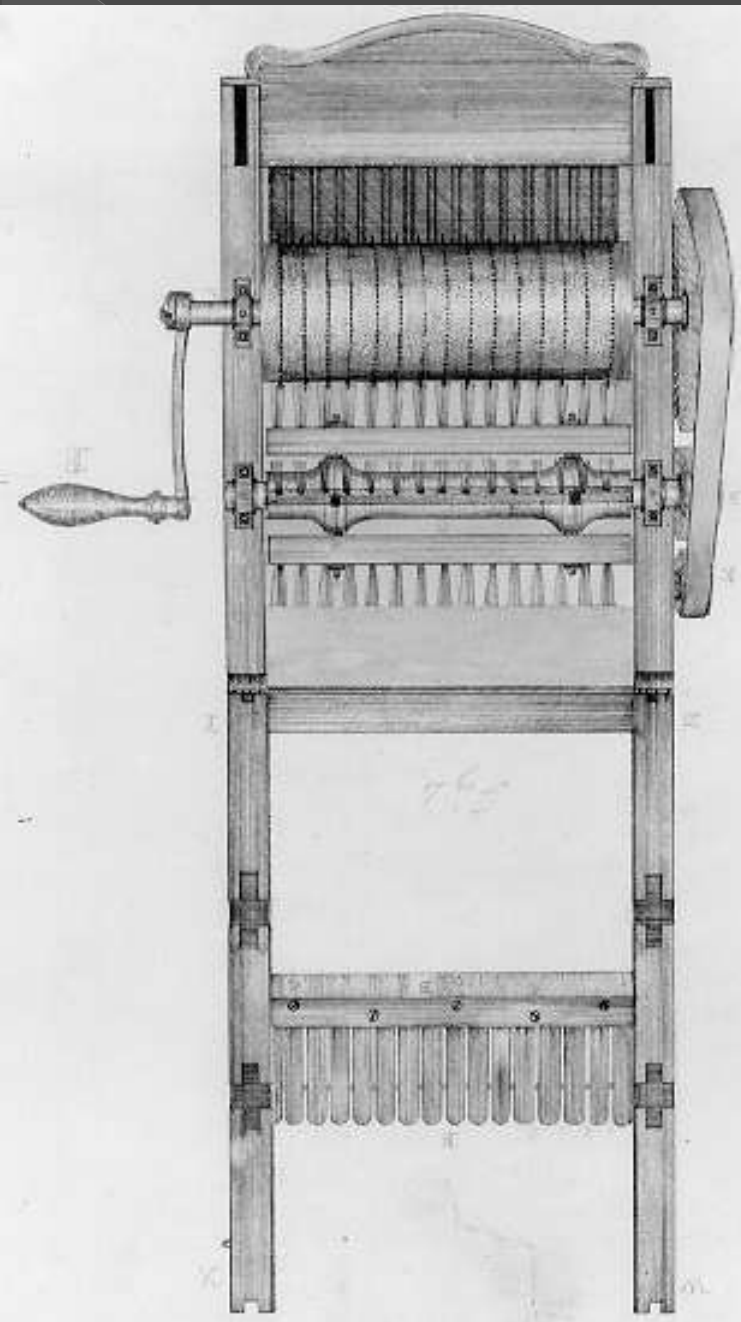
- > When machines begin replacing simpler, hand made tasks; Huge change to make it a Revolution

# Inventions

- ◉ Eli Whitney: Cotton Gin in 1793
  - > Helped make separating seeds from cotton easier and faster
  - > Increase profits for cotton farmers
- ◉ Cyrus McCormick: Mechanical Reaper in 1834
  - > Cuts grains and other crops more easily
  - > Economic savings to harvest grain about 12 times faster







# Inventions



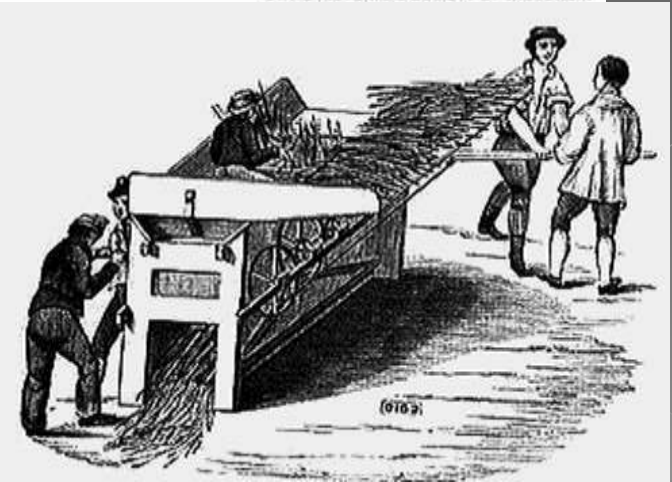




# More Farming Advances



- 1836 blacksmith John Deere invented a lightweight plow with a steel cutting edge
- Mechanical reapers & threshing machine were other improvements to farming
  - > Threshing machine (separated kernels of wheat from the husks)



# Effect of these inventions

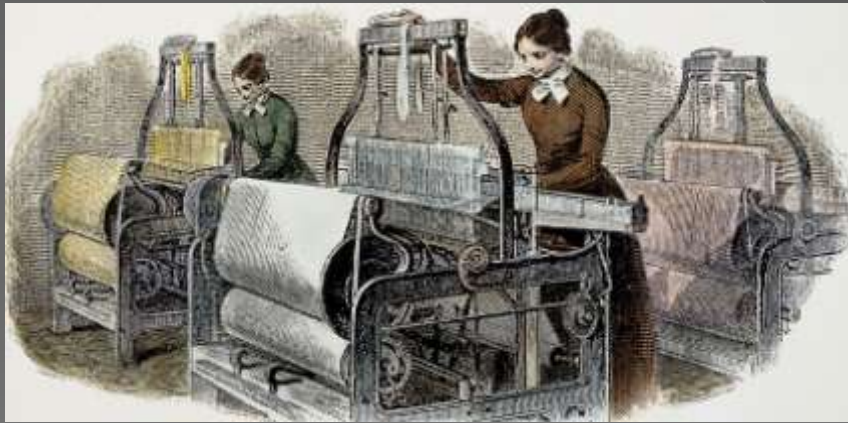
- ◉ More land is desired because farming is more profitable
  - > Expansion into the west
  - > Increase in trade - more cotton to sell, more fiber to weave, more money to spend
- ◉ Cotton farmers are more dependent on slavery

# Industrial Revolution in England

- ◉ English started inventing machines - textile machines (weaving cloth)
- ◉ Set up textile factories in Rhode Island - Samuel Slater and Massachusetts - Francis Cabot Lowell
- ◉ America is less dependent on other nations for these goods
- ◉ Industries are growing in New England



- Before the Industrial Revolution women spun thread at home.



- > Inventions such as machines (spinning jenny & the power looms)

- > This makes it possible for unskilled workers to produce more cloth.





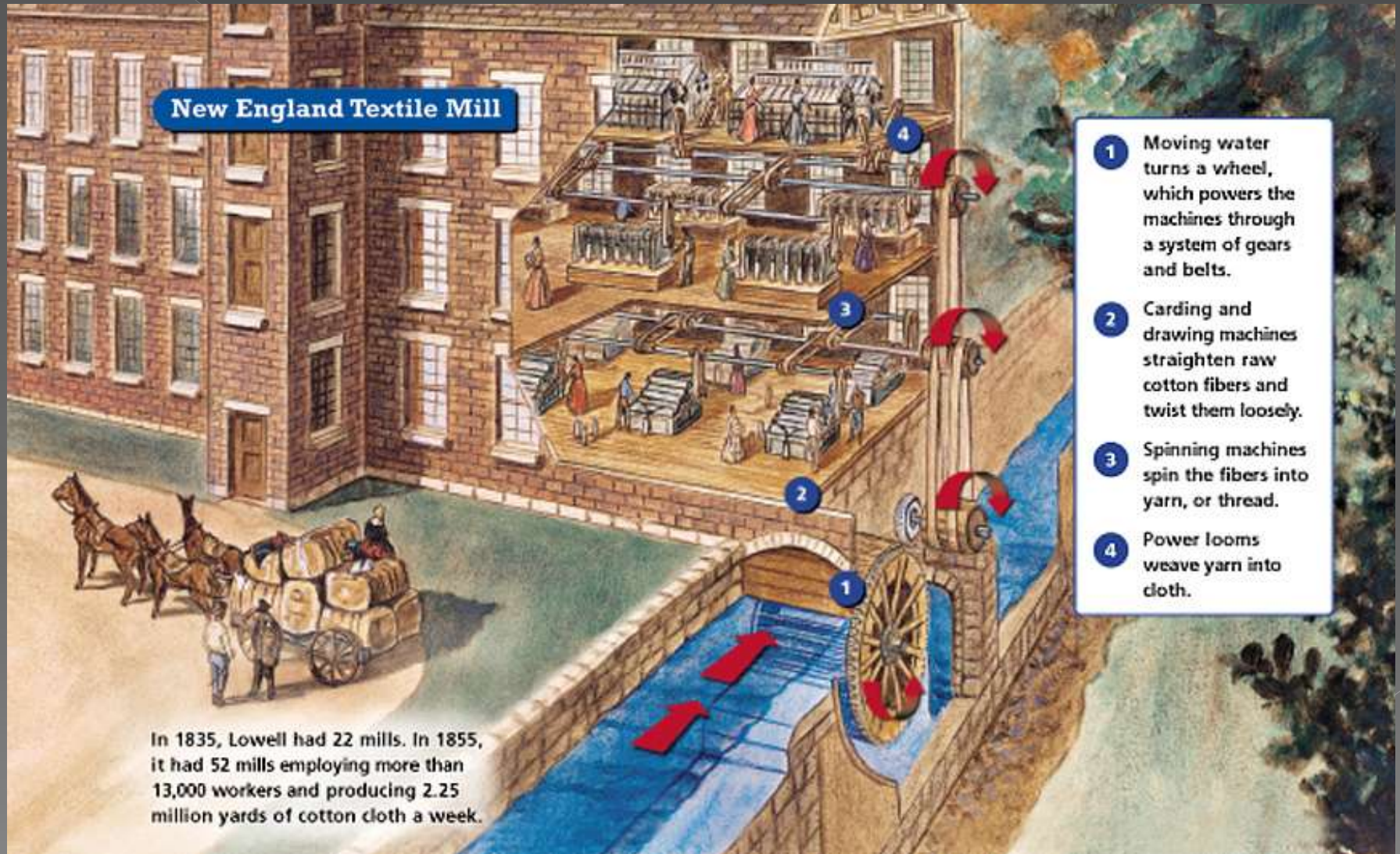
# Elias Howe & Isaac Singer



1840s  
Sewing Machine



# New England Textile Mill



# Industries and Growth

- Factories were built near water to power the machines (people left farms & moved to cities)
- They are built near rivers with easy access to transportation
  - Moving of goods
  - New England is a good area because of the easily available ports

# Assembly Lines & Interchangeable Parts

- Factories adopt manufacturing methods
  - > One person does one thing and then passes it to the next worker
  - > New worker adds their part and then passes it on
- *Specialization, mass production, & interchangeable parts*
- *Unskilled labor vs. master craftsmen / journeymen / apprentice*

# Assembly Lines & Interchangeable Parts

- Guns were valuable and hard to make
  - > Each one was made individually. If it broke, the entire gun had to be fixed
  - > Eli Whitney reasoned that if he could make gun parts exactly alike, it would be easier to fix
    - Each part was interchangeable with all other guns of that model
    - It was a success - cheaper, faster, better
    - More goods to buy and sell

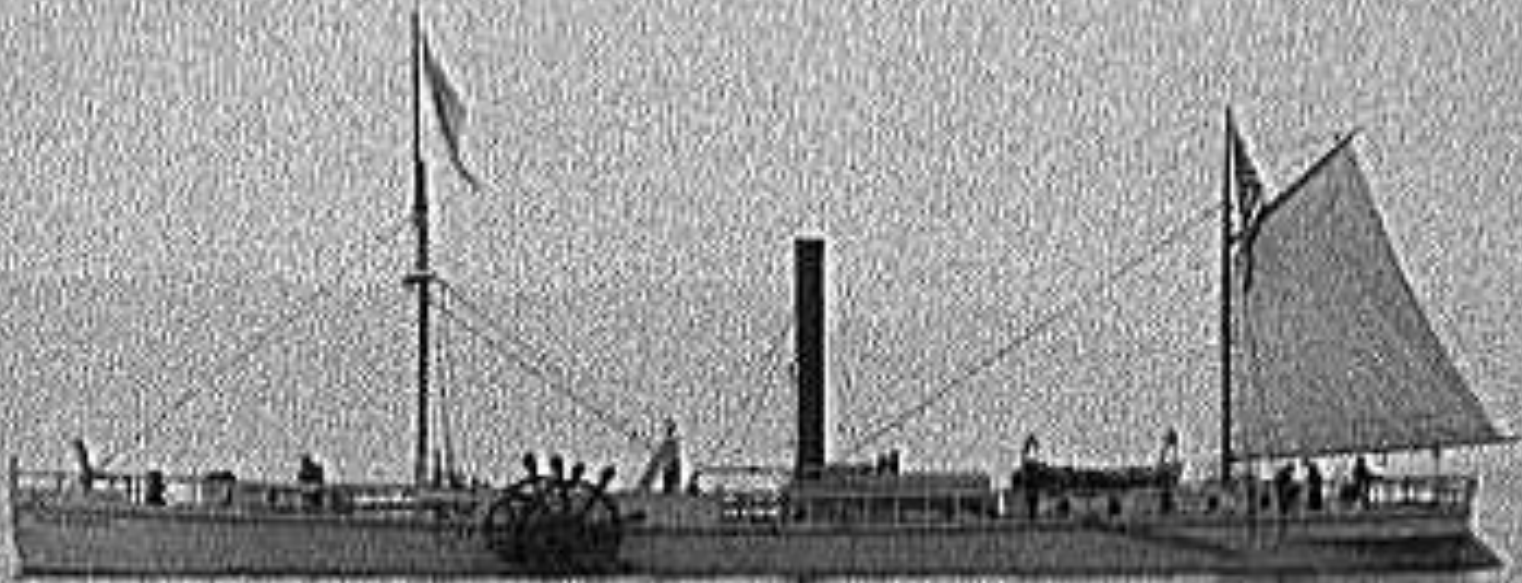
# Effect of these inventions

- ◉ Manufacturing became more profitable
- ◉ More people were hired to work
- ◉ Goods became easier and cheaper to obtain
  - > Textiles, clothes
  - > Manufactured goods – i.e. guns, plows,

# STEAM power



- ◉ Invented by:
  - > Thomas Savery in 1689
  - > Thomas Newcomen in 1705
  - > James Watt in 1769
- ◉ Used this invention to automate
- ◉ John Fitch and **Robert Fulton**
  - > Invented Steam Boat
  - > Even easier to transport manufactured goods, continue the trade growth





# Communications

- ◉ Samuel Morse invents the telegraph in 1844
  - > Morse code – method to send messages instantly over LONG distances
  - > Increase in communication!





## ***1845 version of the telegraph***

- Morse code allowed information to be relayed immediately over hundreds or thousands of miles.

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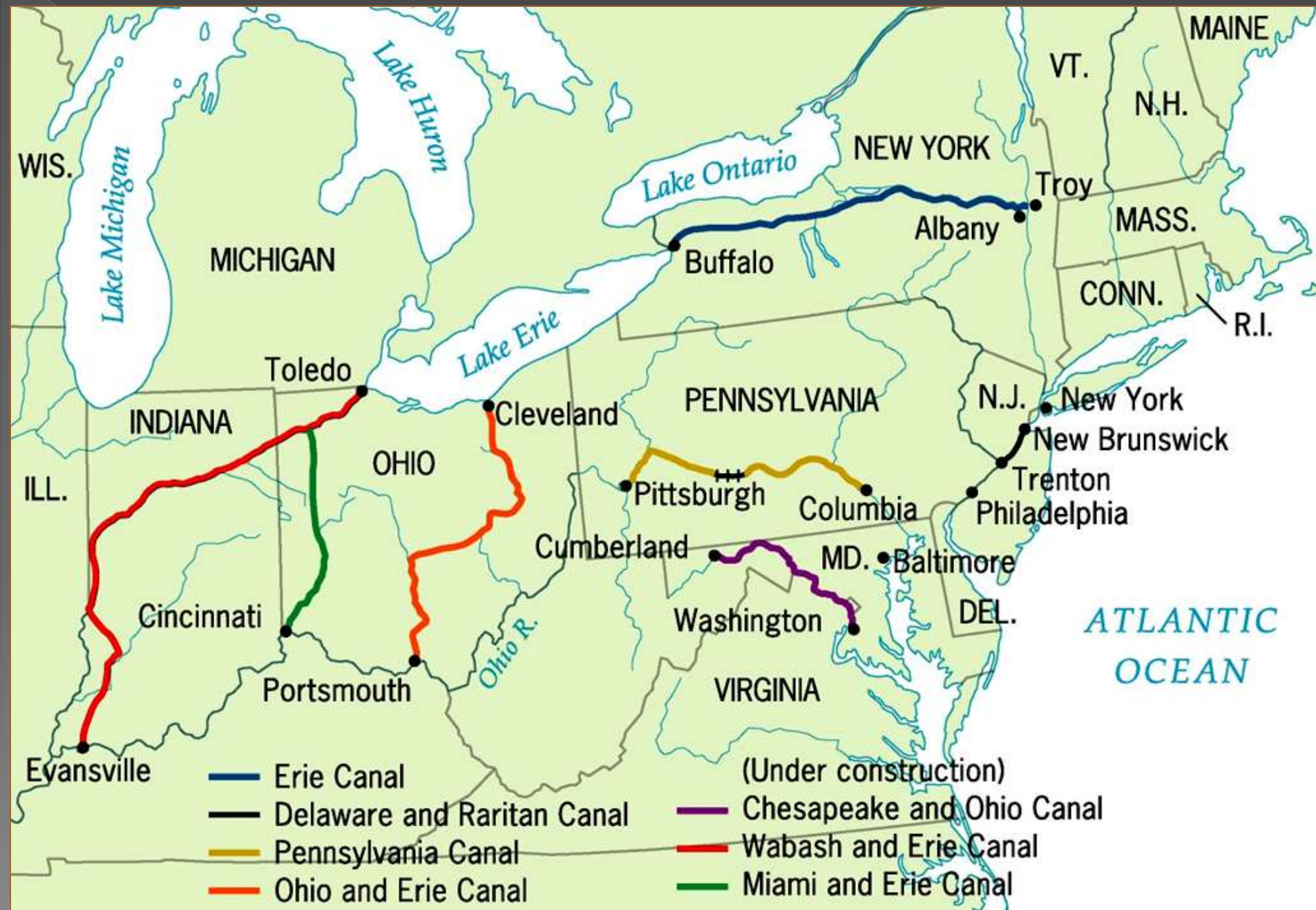
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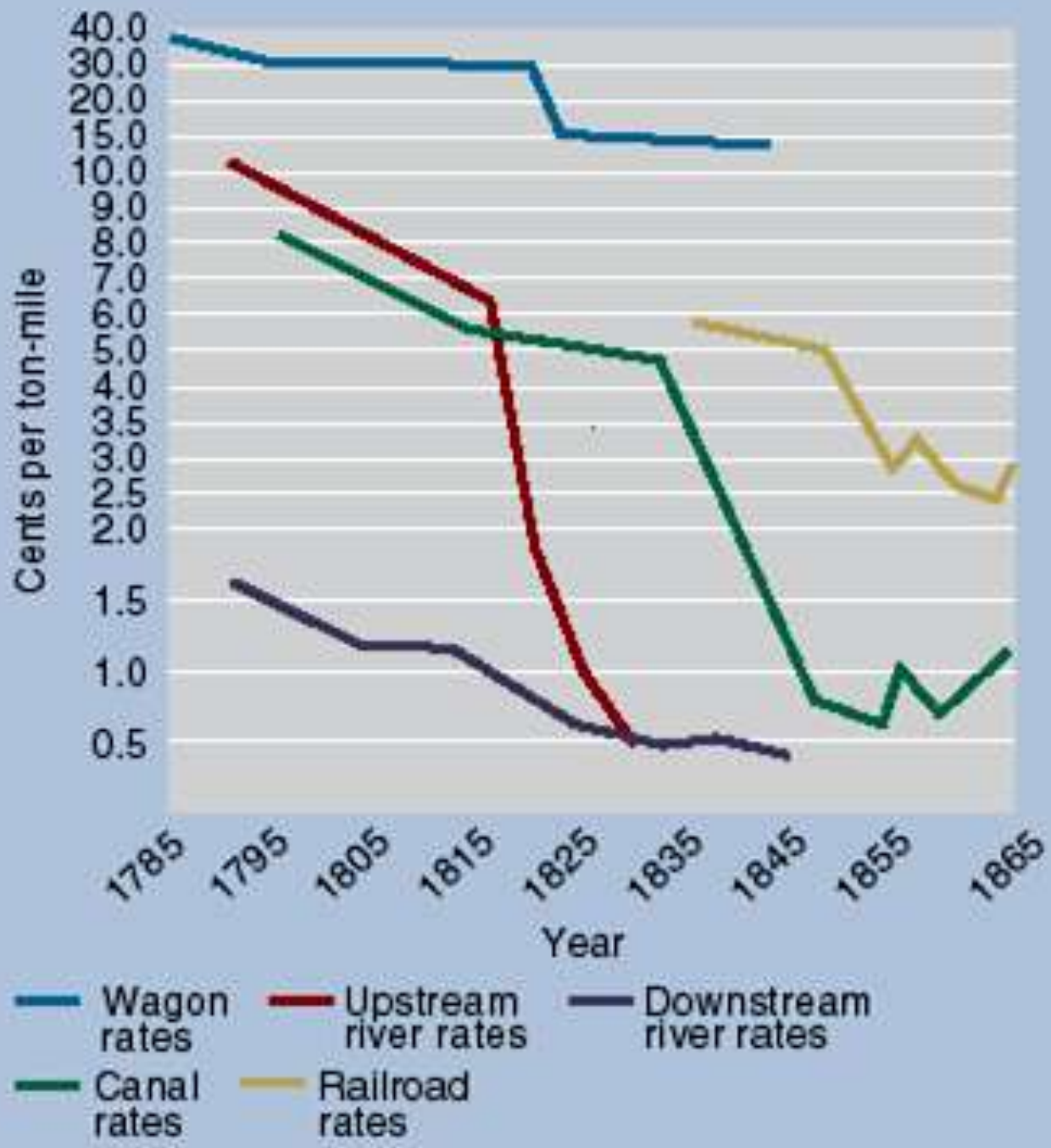
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# Erie Canal

- Most goods were transported by boats on rivers to the bigger ports – New York and Boston
- As people settled further west, there were issues on getting goods back to the east coast to be put on ships in the port cities
- Benefits
  - > Reduced time and cost for shipping goods
  - > New York City became a center for commerce
  - > Towns along the Canal route saw economic growth







# Industrial Revolution changes America's economy

	<b>1820</b>	<b>1840</b>	<b>1860</b>
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>78.8%</b>	<b>63.1%</b>	<b>52.9%</b>
<b>Mining</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>
<b>Construction</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>4.7</b>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>13.8</b>
<b>Trade</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>8.0</b>
<b>Transport</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>Service</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>6.4</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>10.6</b>

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census.



# Effects

- Agriculture: better inventions made farming more profitable
  - > Faster, easier, cheaper = more money
  - > Increase dependency on slavery and need for land
- Manufacturing: better inventions made producing goods more profitable
  - > Unskilled labor could be easily trained, cities had huge immigrant labor pool (children too)
- Increase in communication, transportation, & automation
- Faster and larger growth of the economy
  - > More farms
  - > More factories
  - > Changing economy – different jobs

Reform

What is right?

# Slavery

- ◉ Missouri Compromise further agitated those that thought slavery was wrong
  - > Split the North and South
- ◉ Agricultural inventions renewed South's need for slaves
- ◉ Abolitionist Movement became more active
  - > Underground Railroad

# Underground Railroad

- ◉ Series of homes and places that runaway slaves could hide and make their way to freedom – most often in the Northern states or into Canada
  - > Stations = safe resting places
  - > Conductors = people to help slaves
- ◉ North Star
  - > Travel at night
  - > Look for Polaris to help guide them North
    - *Follow the drinking gourd*

- Fugitive Slave Act of 1850 made escaping much more dangerous
- Anyone was allowed to return escaped slaves – from any states
- Most slaves had to escape to Canada to be “safe”





# Brave

- ◉ African Americans, former slaves
  - > Worked as abolitionist
- ◉ Harriet Tubman – escaped slavery, but kept coming back to free others
  - > Known as Moses
- ◉ Fredrick Douglass – escaped slavery
  - > Learned to read and write at an early age – later became advisor to President Lincoln
  - > Orator and passionate speaker against slavery

# Sojourner Truth



- Born as Isabella Baumfree
  - > Former slave, turned preacher
  - > Spoke out against slavery
  - > Also spoke for Women's rights
- Most famous for her speech in 1854, at the Ohio Woman's Rights Convention in Akron, Ohio, -- with the legendary phrase, "Ain't I a Woman?" :



# Along with... Women's Rights

- ◉ As many stepped up to speak out against slavery... others were also speaking out regarding women's rights
  - > Right to vote
  - > Right to be treated more "fairly"
    - Women could not hold property
    - Husband controlled all aspects of his wife
- ◉ Many saw the similarities between the lives of women and slaves

# Suffrage Movement: Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott



# Seneca Falls Convention – Seneca Falls, NY (1848)

- ◉ Major convention to speak about women's rights (and slavery)
- ◉ Delegates at the Seneca Falls Convention demanded the following:
  - > - equality for women at work, school, and in church
  - > the right to vote



The Seneca Falls Convention was the “birthplace of the women’s rights movement.”

# Suffrage Movement

- Other conventions are held:
  - > Women's Convention in Akron, Ohio on May 29, 1851
  - > This convention, Sojourner Truth, gave her famous "Ain't I a Women?" speech
- Black free men gain the opportunity to vote prior to White women
- Suffrage movement continues into the 1900's