

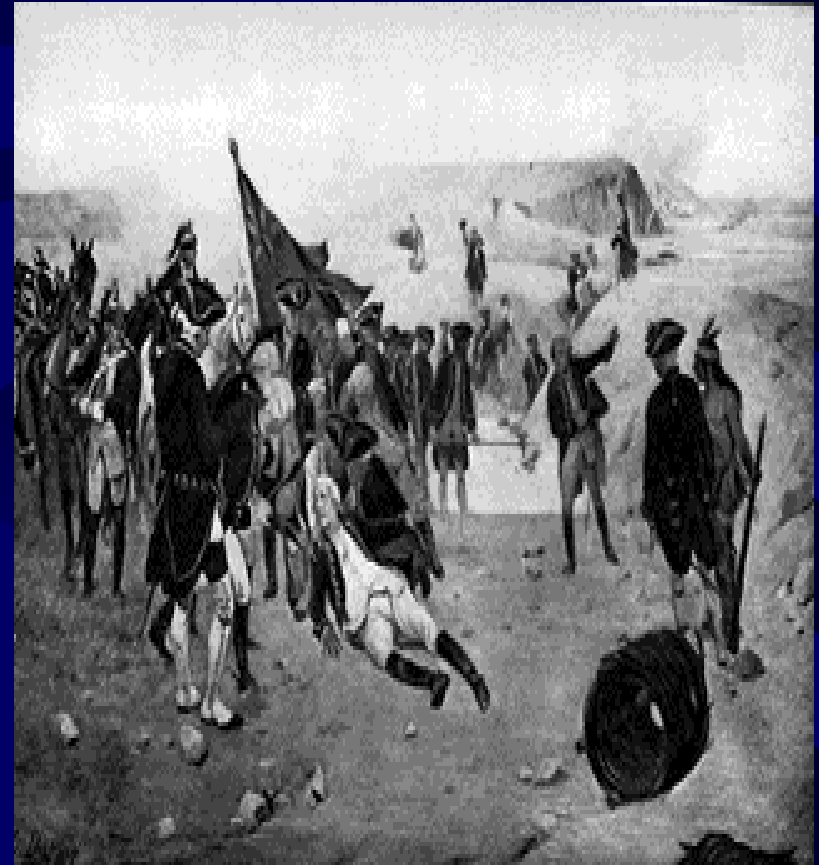


**What led  
to the writing of  
the  
Declaration  
Of  
Independence  
and the  
Revolutionary  
War?**



# French and Indian War

- Britain helped colonists defeat French in war.
- Britain needed money to pay for war expenses.
- Taxed colonists, restricted settlements and limited self-govt.



# Sugar Act and Stamp Act



- British taxed colonists on many of the goods coming into the colonies from other places
- British imposed taxes upon all paper products and stamped the item once the tax had been played.

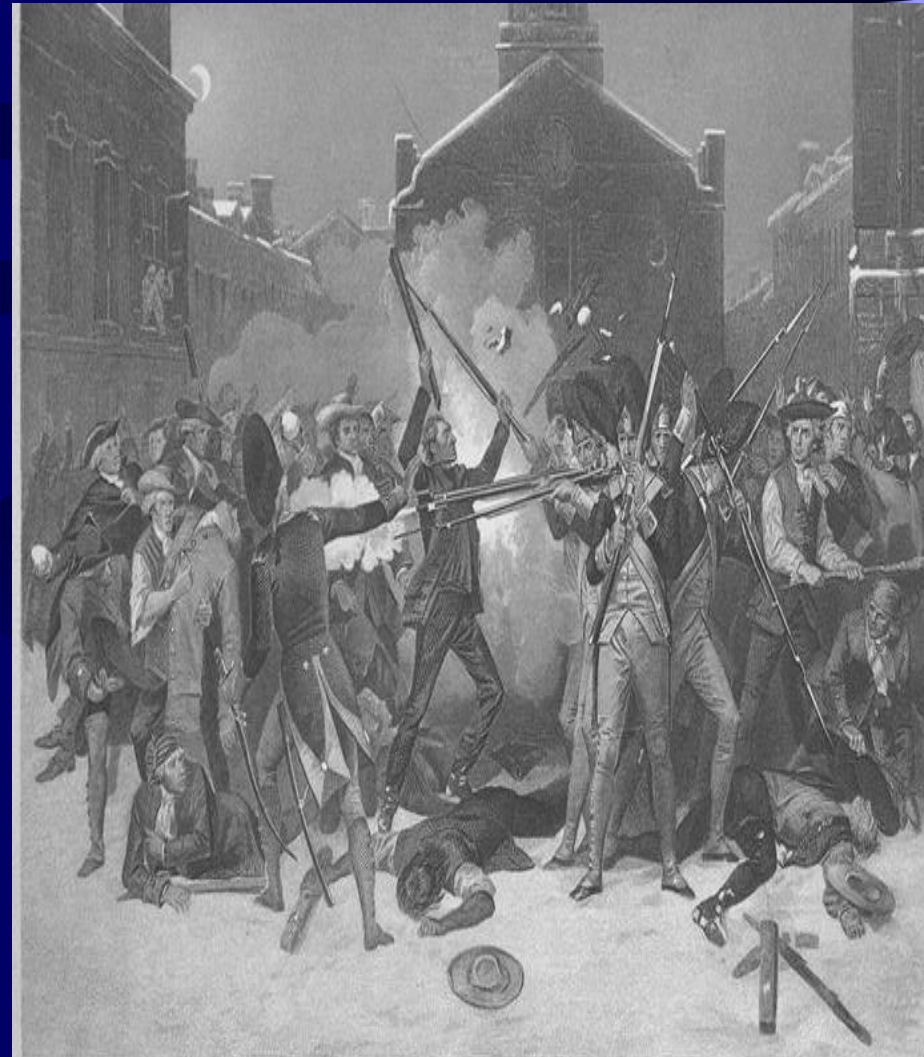
**“No Taxation  
Without  
Representation!”**

**Colonists react...**

**• Taxation without  
Representation = to tyranny!**

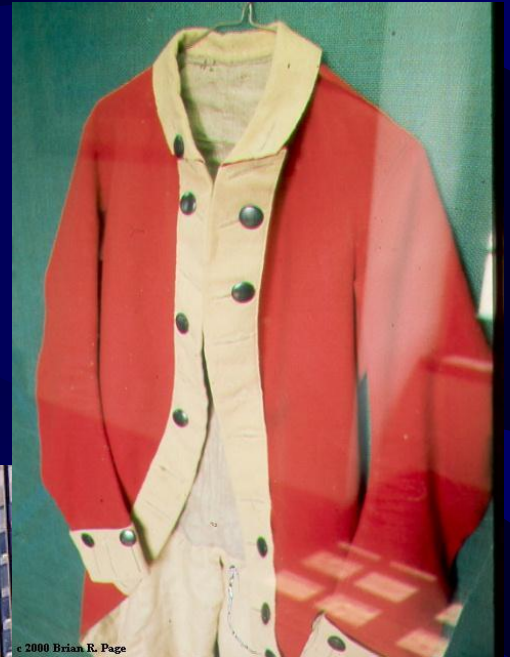
# Various protests:

- Patrick Henry's speech
- Sons and Daughters of Liberty
- Benjamin Franklin's visit to Parliament
- Boston Massacre





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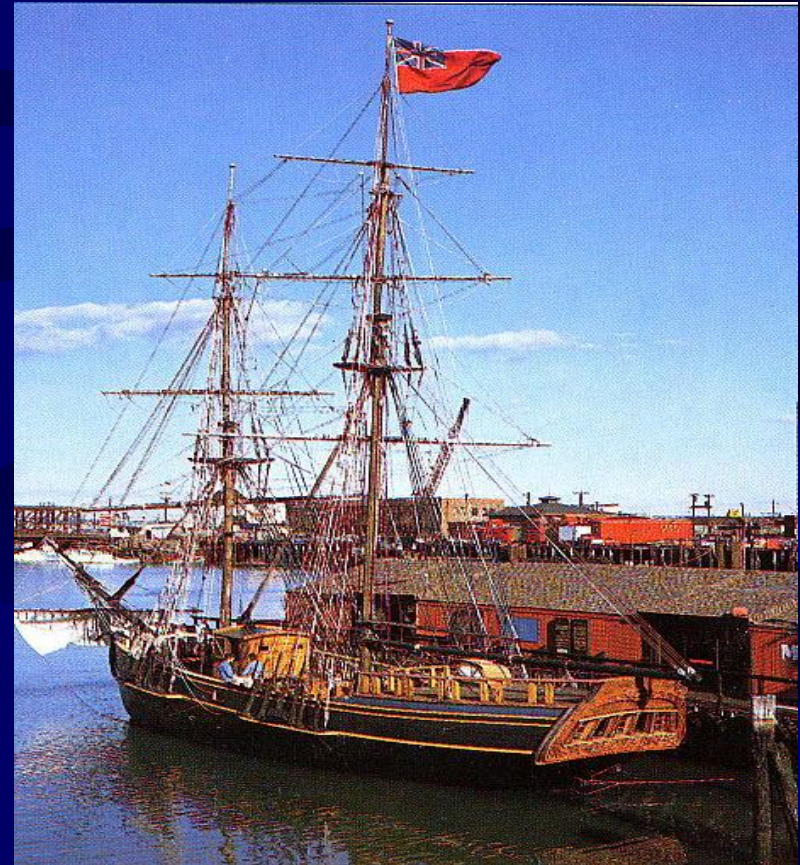


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# Boston Tea Party

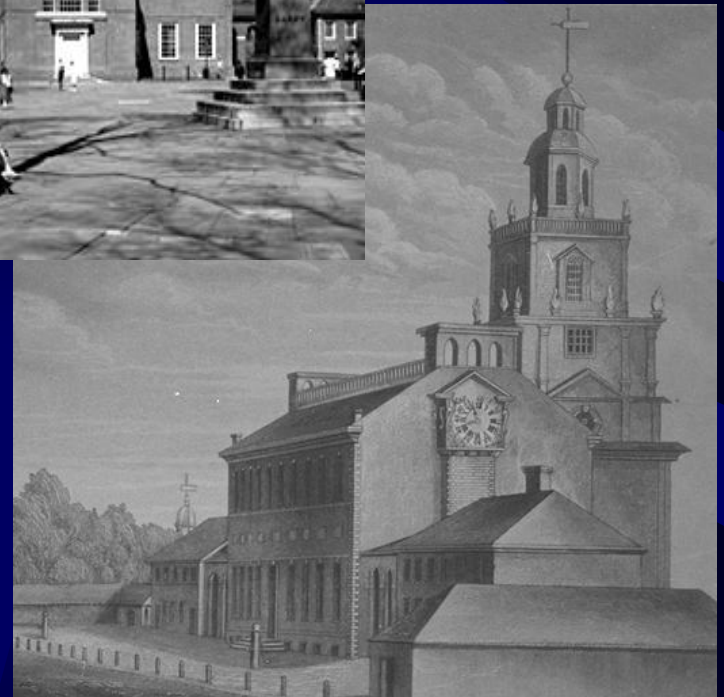
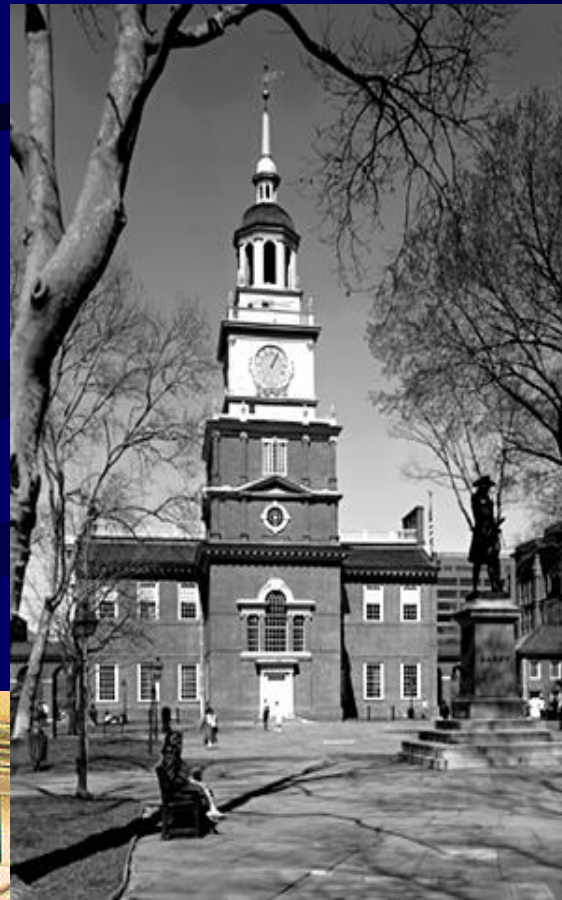


# King George III passes the “Intolerable Acts”

- The Royal Navy blockades the Boston Harbor so no colonial goods could be sent out until tea was paid for.
- Colonists had to quarter the British soldiers.
- The King assigned British General Gage to be Massachusetts governor.



# First Continental Congress meets in Philadelphia



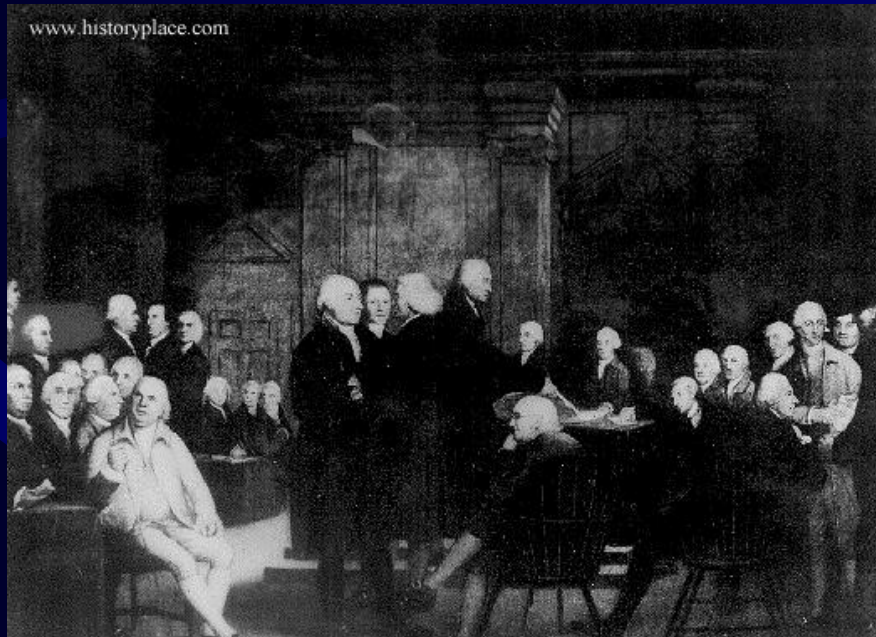
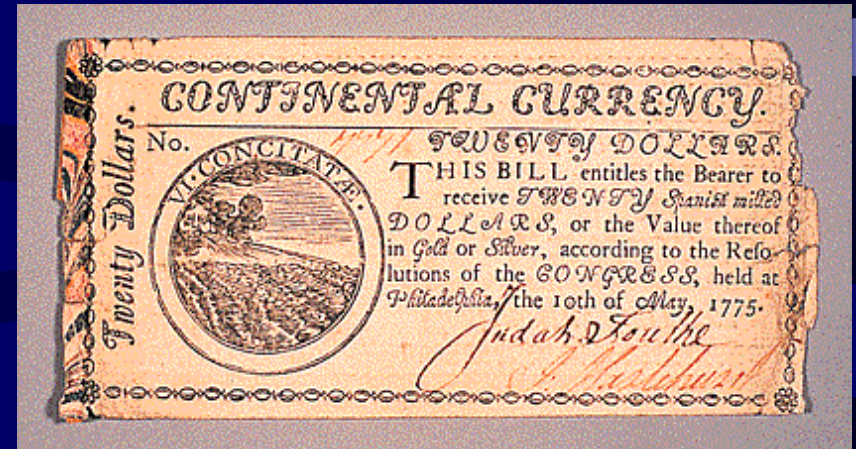
# Conflict at Lexington and Concord



- British General Gage learns of hidden weapons in Concord
- Two lanterns hung in church tower to warn the British coming by “sea” (Charles River)
- Paul Revere and William Dawes make midnight ride to warn Minutemen of approaching British soldiers

# Second Continental Congress

Representatives  
brought money to  
help establish...



the Continental  
Army

(i.e. pay soldiers,  
buy guns, bullets,  
food, and uniforms

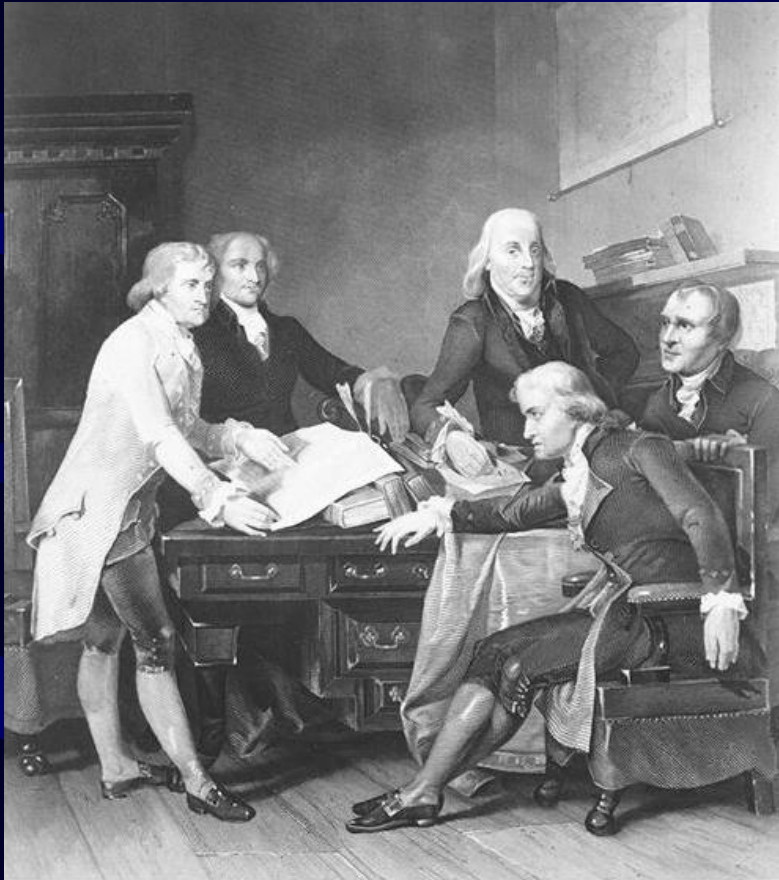
declaration : (*n*)

an official statement

independence : (*n*)

the freedom to govern on  
one's own.

# Who was involved?



- Benjamin Franklin
- John Adams
- Robert R. Livingston
- Roger Sherman
- Thomas Jefferson

# Where did it all take place?

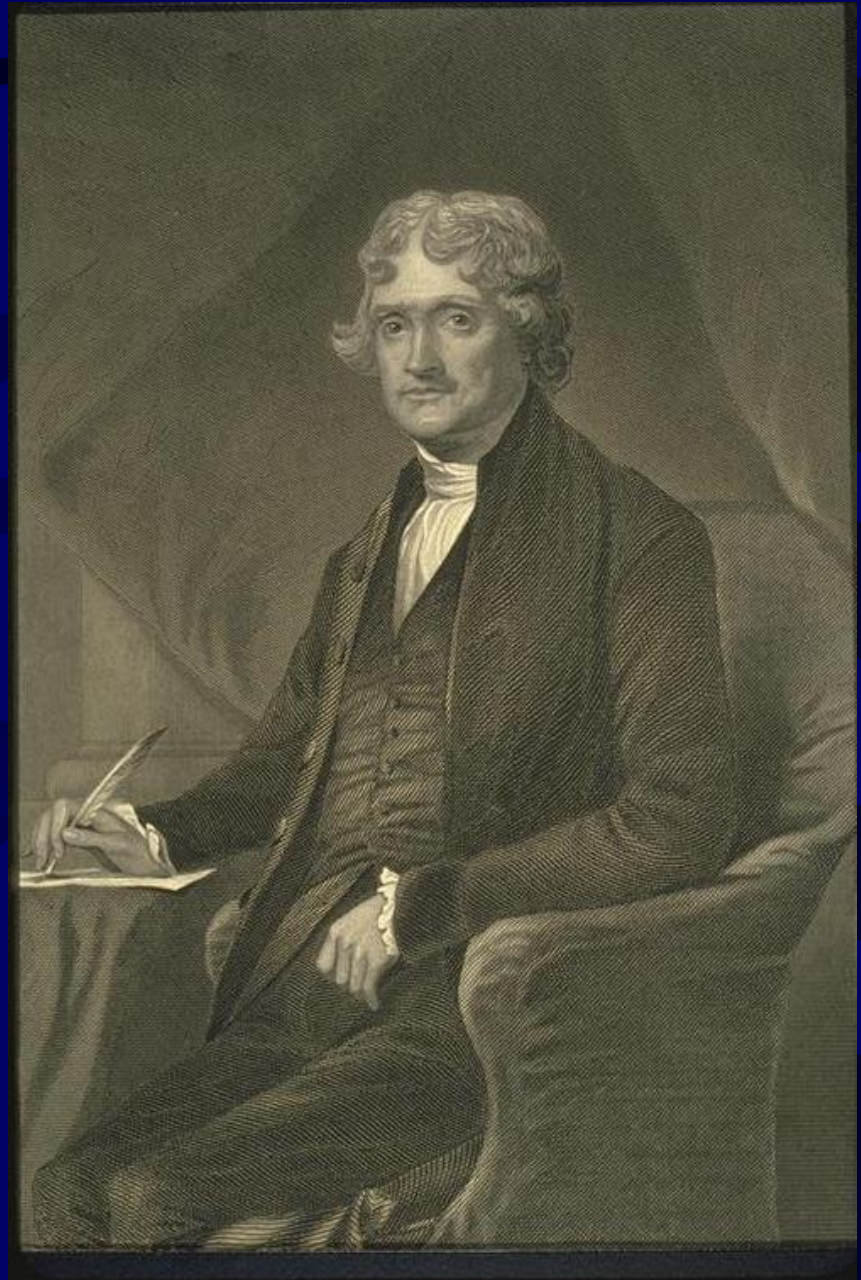
This is a replica of the Graff house where Jefferson wrote the majority of the 1<sup>st</sup> draft of the Declaration of Independence. The original building (at this location) was destroyed in 1888.



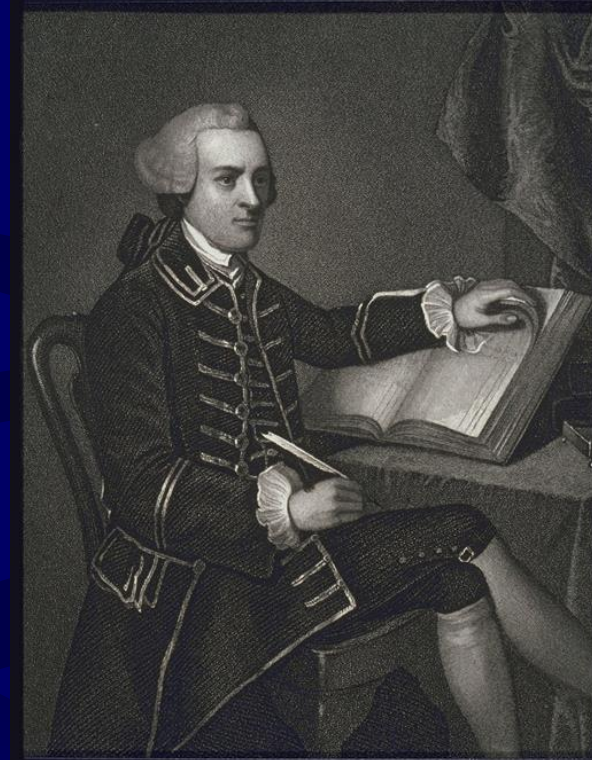


**What did it  
look like?**

**Who wrote  
the first  
draft?**



Who signed it  
first?



*John Hancock*

# Parts of the Declaration



- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

What happened after it was signed and where is it now?



# What happened to the men who risked their lives to sign?

See Word document The Price they paid  
and Declaration of Independence

