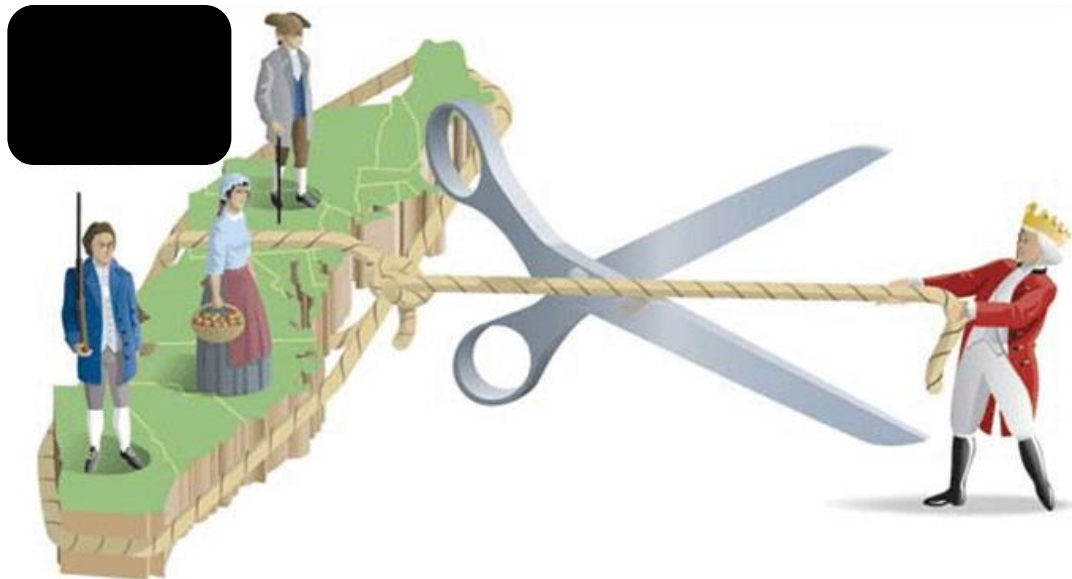


The War Draws Nearer...



The Horrible Tax Acts Smackdown

- *Can anyone remember what caused colonists to dress up as Native Indians and sneak on a British ship to take part in the Boston Tea Party?*
 - **The Tea Act**
- This really, really, really ticked off the British!!!!!!
- **King George III** was so upset, he decided he was going to punish the city that created this drama.

The Intolerable Acts

- *What does “intolerable” mean?*
 - Intolerable = not acceptable
- In retaliation for what Boston did to their expensive tea, King George III and the Parliament passed four (4) laws to punish Boston!
- **Partner Turn & Talk:** *Thinking like a British king, what four laws do you think he passed as punishment?* (write down your thoughts and we’ll share out)

The Four Laws –

1. Close the port of Boston. No ships could come in or go out of Boston.

Why was this bad?

2. The Royal Governor (reported directly to the King of England) could send anyone to jail.
3. No citizen was allowed to have town meetings, or meetings of any kind.
4. The Quartering Act was *strengthened!!!*

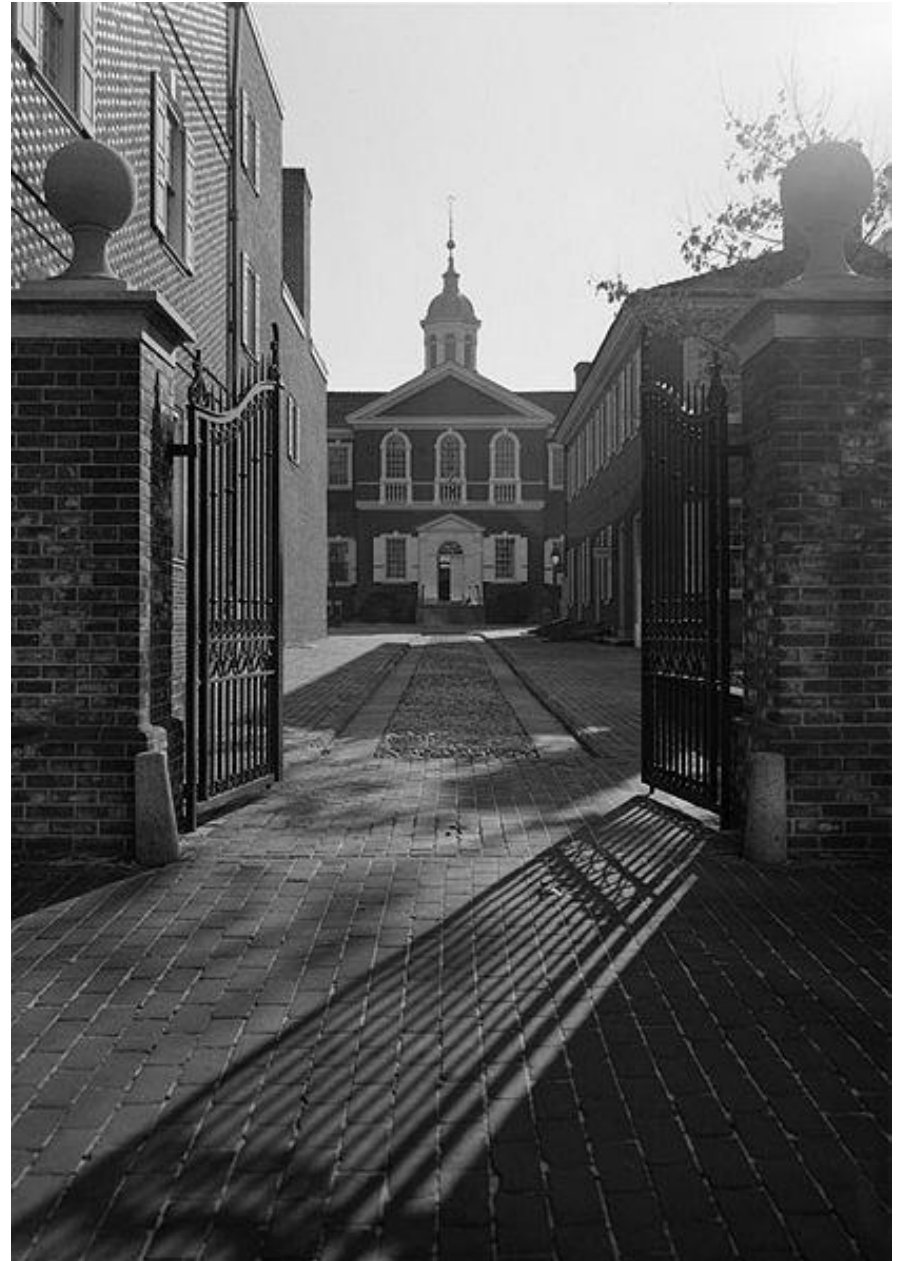
First Continental Congress

- Because Boston was being punished so harshly by the British government that a group of colonists met in Philadelphia in 1774 to discuss the issue.
- The meeting to discuss the Intolerable Acts was called the First Continental Congress.
- 12 of the 13 colonies attended this meeting (Georgia did not attend)
- *Looking at the Intolerable Acts in your notes, why was the First Continental Congress a sign of rebellion against the British (and illegal)?*

Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, PA

**"No taxation
without
representation!"**

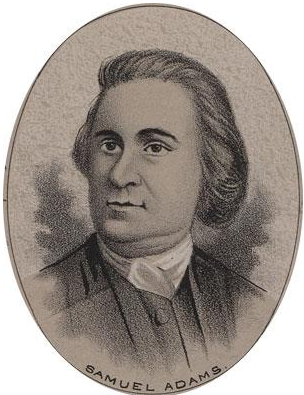
**56 total representatives
from the colonies
attended this meeting**



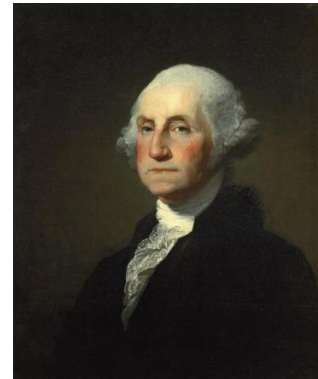
Some Attendees of the 1st Continental Congress



John Adams



Samuel Adams

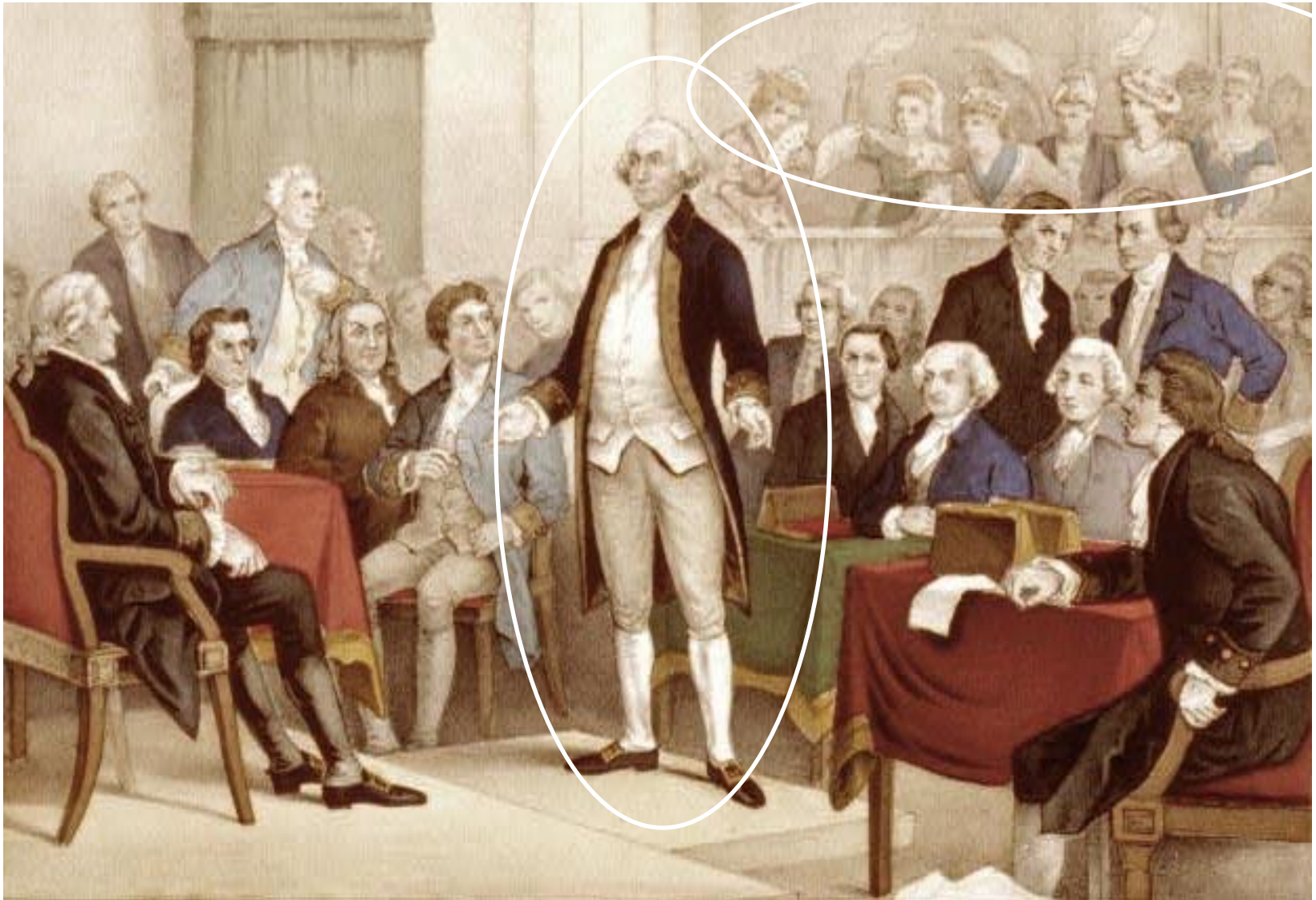


Can you guess
who these two
guys are?!?



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SLOYyWWdTIQ>

Can you guess why this picture is wrong???



**Women were not allowed to attend meetings.
George Washington was not a main player at this time.**

Demands of the Continental Congress

Continental Congress wanted England to be aware of their bad decisions. So, these men drafted the following complaints to the King George III of England:

#1 – END the Intolerable Acts immediately!

#2 – Allow the colonies to go back to governing themselves like before.

They also decided at this meeting that:

#3 – All colonies were to train militia to stand up to British troops. The Minutemen were born!

#4 – Everyone would boycott ALL British goods – no matter what!

#5 – Each member swore to meet again if the British did not accept the demands.