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Inventions from the period of American history

Without many essential commodities, life as we know it wouldn’t be the same, as many things have made our life easier. Many of these inventions date back to the first industrial revolution in America. From 1790-1870, the industrial revolution brought immense changes in cotton, farming, communication, and textile industries. It completely changed the perceptions of Americans toward life and brought economic opportunities to the country. Samuel Slater brought this revolution to America from Britain. Gradually the changes brought in to America by Slater helped in building the American factories. The industrial revolution brought changes first in American agriculture. Although these changes employed minimum technology and brought ease for a much small level, therefore, they remained unable to get wide attention compared to the newly built industrial infrastructures from those times. Another reason for such negligible attention toward agricultural development was industrial ease. Things were taking less time in manufacturing, as a result, the American export were experiencing rise with every coming day. This essay explores the primary inventions in American history which helped in reforming American society.

From the agricultural aspect, innovation was limited to a lower level. Despite a little innovation in agriculture, American agricultural production remained high in terms of generating wealth. Slave labor and farmers were largely unaware of the changes which were taking place in agriculture, however steadily, farmers started employing machines into their work. With the creation of cotton gin, the Southern slave population experienced some relief. Compared to the one pound of cotton per day, which the slaves were able to clean hard, the cotton gin allowed cleaning fifty pounds of cotton in a single day. Other than cleaning cotton, the cotton gin helped in multi-tasking. The farmers that had a large slave population under control employed some for cleaning cotton using cotton gin, whereas others were required to perform other tasks. Cotton gin abruptly became popular and the southern population started putting its part in the national economy.

The American nation was largely divided between the industrial and agricultural class, and the changes which swept across the southern land soon started taking hold in the northern part of the country. The revolution here was not that abrupt but with time, the industrialization brought considerable changes to this part of the land too. The changes in the Northern part of America dates back to 1807, with the invention of steamboats. Steam boats could not bring considerable changes but it helped in creating an idea that distances could be lowered. For example, steamboats were not costly and compared to the traditional boats, they used to cover the distance in a small span of time. In America, the first steamboat was introduced in 1787. Its ride was although very unpleasant and by the end of ride, some people were covered with soot. In terms of easing the job, steamboats were less beneficial.

The only applicability of the steamboat, one could grasp is the enhancement of American trade and connectivity. One of other practical manifestations of steam boats is the creation of railways and roads. The first railroad completed after this invention was the pacific railroad of 1869, and from there on, Americans started building roads in order to lower the distance. The American inventions are not limited to just these two inventions; rather, there is a list of accomplishments, the nation has achieved in its history. The major benefit the American public and government earned from these changes, was the upsurge of economy and reduced remoteness. These changes at that time helped America to lead the new world.