

# IN THOMAS COLE'S LIFETIME...

## When Thomas Cole is born in 1801:

Napoleon Bonaparte is campaigning for world conquest

**1807**

United Kingdom abolishes the slave trade

**1812**

Violence breaks out in response to mechanization of the textile industry (Luddite Rebellion) in England.

**1812**

War breaks out again between the United States and Great Britain (War of 1812)

**1826**

*The Last of the Mohicans*, by James Fenimore Cooper, is published

**1827**

New York is the last of the northern states to abolish slavery

**1830**

Congress passes an act which enables the government to displace indigenous populations by force (Indian Removal Act)

**1831**

Nat Turner leads uprising against slavery

**1834**

First use of US troops to suppress a labor dispute

**1818**

*Frankenstein*, by Mary Shelley, is published

**1830**

*The Book of Mormon*, by Joseph Smith, is published

**1837**

Congress passes a law to suppress the debate on slavery (The Gag Law)

**1837**

First women's college (Mount Holyoke Female Seminary) is founded in Massachusetts

**1838**

Cherokees are forced from their lands in a 1,200-mile westward journey (Trail of Tears)

**1837**

NYC banks fail and unemployment reaches record highs (Panic of 1837)

**1839**

Daguerreotype photographic process is announced

**1838**

Frederick Douglass escapes from slavery and becomes vocal abolitionist

**1843**

*A Christmas Carol*, by Charles Dickens, is published

**1845**

The phrase "Manifest Destiny" is coined, and the Republic of Texas is annexed into the United States

**1843**

Sojourner Truth begins career as antislavery activist

**1848**

First women's rights convention is held in Seneca Falls, NY

**1848**

"The Communist Manifesto," by Marx and Engels, is published

## When Thomas Cole passes away in 1848:

Abraham Lincoln is serving his first term in Congress

"Hark! I heard the tread of Time  
Marching o'er the fields sublime "

-Thomas Cole, Journal Entry, Feb 1. 1846