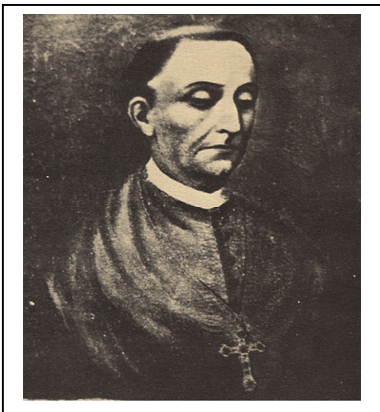


“...Moroni, had prepared his people with arm-shields, and also shields to defend their heads, and also **they were dressed with thick clothing**” ([Alma 43: 19](#))



A warrior figurine at the Popul Vuh Museum in Guatemala City dated 900 A.D. to 1200 A.D.



Diego de Landa, *Relación de las Cosas de Yucatán*, **AD 1566** records the following:

“They wore protective jackets of cotton, quilted in double thicknesses, which were very strong. Some of the chiefs and captains wore helmets of wood...”

Joseph Smith lived in the United States not in Mesoamerica.

He was familiar with the American Indians.

I know of no information that the American Indians wore “thick clothing” for protection in time of war.

But the ancient people down in Mesoamerica, hundreds of years after the Book of Mormon time period, did still use “thick clothing” as protection in time of war.