Advanced US History warm-up

Yankee Doodle

Yankee Doodle went to town A-riding on a pony He stuck a feather in his hat And called it macaroni

You may remember this song from your childhood. Use the Internet to discover its true meaning (and what the heck it has to do with US history). Explain in a paragraph how this song began – and how it changed over time to be a patriotic song rather than an insult.