

Executive Clemency.—We learn by the Milledgeville papers, that the Missionaries and others, who were sentenced to Penitentiary confinement at the last Gwinnett Court, arrived there on the 22d ult. The Governor offered a pardon to all of them; on condition that they would promise either to take the oath or leave the State. Nine of them accepted the offer, but two of the Missionaries, Messrs. Worcester and Butler, declined, and are now consequently undergoing the punishment awarded to their misconduct. The letter of

the Governor to the Inspectors of the Penitentiary, and their answer, will be found annexed. At the same term of the Court at which these men were convicted, Judge Clayton charged the Grand Jury to inquire into the alleged oppressions of the Guard upon the Missionaries. He stated that they were civil officers, and amenable to the laws for using unnecessary rigor to prisoners, or any other mal-practice in office; that such treatment as had been reported to have been used, was not allowed by the laws of Georgia; and that it was due to themselves and the character of the State, as well as the rights of the Missionaries, to have the matter investigated. No presentment having been made, it is reasonable to suppose that no cause was found for any.