

# ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

The Fifty-fourth Anniversary of American Independence was celebrated by a large and respectable number of the citizens of Athens and its vicinity, on Saturday last, the 3d inst. (the 4th being Sunday.) A plain but plentiful dinner was prepared by Mr. Moreland, in a shady and retired grove, near Col. Jackson's Spring, and the company assembled about 12 o'clock. The celebration was opened by thanksgiving to the throne of Goodness by Mr. A. B. Elliott. The Declaration of Independence was then read by Mr. J. W. Harris; after which Mr. A. G. SEMMES delivered an appropriate address, which was received with general approbation. After the address, on motion, Maj. N. A. ADAMS was appointed President of the Day, and Maj. Wm. Cline Vice President. The company then sat down to dinner, and after the cloth was removed, the following toasts were drank:

1. *The Day we Celebrate.*—Consecrated by the blood of freemen, may it ever be regarded by all Americans as a political Sabbath.

2. *The United States.*—The pride of the patriot, the home of the brave, and the birth-place of liberty, may she ever stand the admiration of the world.

3. *The President of the United States.*—His political career has been such as to gratify his friends, and afford a pleasing disappointment to his enemies.

4. *George R. Gilmer.*—The firm and undeviating friend of Southern principles.

5. *Our Delegation in Congress.*—True to their trust, they deserve the commendation of their constituents, and the gratitude of the state.

6. *Gen. George Washington.*—"First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen."

7. *Thomas Jefferson.*—Our third Chief Magistrate, and author of the Declaration of Independence: Well might he exclaim *exegi monumentum ære perennius.*

8. *George M. Troup.*—The complete restoration to health of our respected and patriotic fellow citizen: He led the van in defence of state rights; a few, like him, in each state, and the rights of the states are secure.

9. *The Gold Mines in the Cherokee Territory.*—If the property of Georgia, no means constitutional and humane should be neglected to divest the Indians of their possession, and to invest the same in her citizens: If the property of the Indians, a quit claim should be given to them, Mr. Frelinghuysen, and the Ladies of Cincinnati.

10. *Virginia.*—The eldest of the good old thirteen—Georgia the youngest: They contended side by side for constitutional principles in 1800, and again in 1828.

11. *The Tariff Law.*—Until it is abolished the Millennium cannot arrive.

12. *The Cherokee Indians.*—If Mr. Frelinghuysen had been successful, he might soon have written the history of the last of the Cherokees.

13. *The Fair.*—A toast without which a celebration would be imperfect.

## VOLUNTEERS.

*By the President of the Day.*—Our worthy fellow citizen, Judge Clayton. In the event of the resignation of Col. Troup, may he be elected to the Senate of the United States; our loss will be Georgia's gain.

*By the Vice President.*—General Andrew Jackson.—His proposition at the Jefferson dinner—"the Union must be preserved." The demonstration—His veto to the Maysville road bill.

*By the Orator.*—Maj. Gen. Hayne of South Carolina. The firm friend of equality. The successful advocate of Southern principles—May his services ever be remembered with grateful feelings by every lover of equal rights.

*By the Reader of the Declaration.*—Daniel Webster—A pretended patriot. The insidious baseness of his actions, shows the rottenness of his heart.

*By Col. W. H. Jackson.*—The memory of Thomas W. Cobb, a Georgian, distinguished in the Congress of the United States, on the bench of his own State, and as one of the Trustees of the University of Georgia. Georgia will not forget him.

*By Capt. Samuel D. Mitchell.*—Our distinguished fellow citizen, Charles Dougherty: The unsullied patriot, the firm politician, the able advocate; in the event of Judge Clayton's election to Congress, may he be called to fill the Judge's important station.

*By O. P. Shaw.*—The State of Georgia—Too proud to beg for justice at the hands of her enemies, and too independent to yield submission to the demands of false philanthropy, her cause will be sustained by the friends of her rights at every hazard; opposition to her interest conquered at any sacrifice.

*By Wm. H. Houghton.*—Our right begets might: The invasion of Georgia by the Yankees, for the purpose of protecting their brethren the Indians in their assumed rights, a tempest in a tea-pot. We say unto you traitors, their everlasting doom is now equitably defined and settled, and every thing Mr. Frelinghuysen and his brethren have said and done, or any thing the Supreme Court can do, to the contrary notwithstanding.

*By Thomas J. Moore.*—The Orator of the Day. The death like silence which was preserved by the audience during the delivery of his eloquent address, is the best comment that can be passed upon his performance.

*By A. Brydie.*—Gen. Andrew Jackson, President of the United States: May he again be re-elected to fill the station he now fills.

*By A. B. Elliott.*—The President of Franklin College, Rev. Alonzo Church—May he fill the Presidential chair as faithfully and ably as he did that of Professor; and may his administration be blessed to the good of our state, and of our common country.

*By Howell Cobb.*—John Forsyth—May he ever meet with the suffrage of a free people; being the steady and undeviating advocate of Georgia rights.

*By J. T. Milledge.*—Georgia: Distinguished in the Senate of the United States for literature and patriotism, may God forever prosper all the faithful exertions of her enlightened sons.

*By William Witter.*—The prosperity of our sister state of South Carolina.

*By Edward R. Harden.*—May the field of Literature ever be cultivated by every true citizen of America.

*By John O. H. Lillebridge.*—May the flag of American Liberty ever wave triumphant.

*Our Host.*—The plentiful supply of a host of good things, merit a host of thanks, and we hope will gain him a host of cash.