

The New York Journal of Commerce makes some bitter animadversions upon the course which the state of Georgia has pursued with the Cherokee Indians, and concludes with the charitable wish that the Cherokees had the power to chastise their 'persecutors.' We would suggest to the gentleman to raise volunteers to assist them; times are dull—woollen and cotton manufactures going to leward—ships laid up—trade stopped—it affords a most glorious opportunity for the gentleman to immortalize himself by beating up a body of recruits, putting himself at their head, making a descent upon the Georgians, and avenging the sufferings of the poor Indians. We would ask this gentle spirit what has become of the vast hordes of Indian tribes which formerly inhabited the state of New York—what has become of the great tribes of the Delawares, the Iroquois, the Mohawks, the Oneidas, the Onondagas, the Cayugas, the Senecas, and the Tuscaroras? Does this gentleman recollect the anecdote of General Knox, the Indian chief, and the log? Where were the bowels of sympathy for the poor Indian at that time? Where ~~was the nice feeling of justice which the New Yorkers~~ were cheating them out of their lands, and taking twenty-four miles square for a mill-yard? Had they the same right to their lands that we have? Had those tribes been at war with the United States—were they a conquered people? Were their lands solemnly guaranteed to the whites by the conquering party, and were the Indians setting up an independent government within the sovereignty of their state? What has been the patience and forbearance of Georgia? Has she not waited twenty-seven years for these tribes to remove, and evacuate a territory of which they are only tenants at will? We shall not pursue this subject any further. We trust that the general government and the state of Georgia will do what is right in regard to this people, regardless of the lackadaysical sentimentality of these mock pretenders to philanthropy, who have the cause of the poor Indians so much at heart.