

State of Georgia to dissolve forever her connexion with the Federal Union, and to declare herself what of right she is, and ought to be, a free - sovereign and independent state.

Georgia feels that she has not alone, suffered wrong and injustice from the Northern States. Neither is it her individual wrongs only, which has caused her recent action. She feels intensely the wrongs done and injuries inflicted upon her sister Southern States, and while it is true, that her people had perhaps suffered less in some respects than the people of Maryland and the entire border Southern States, she no less makes their wrongs her wrongs and their cause her cause, and is prepared to take common action with her sister States, for the preservation of their common liberties and the defence of their common rights, at all hazards and to the last extremity.

The right of Georgia to secede from the Federal Union for existing causes she does not admit to be a debatable question. As a sovereign state she threw off her allegiance to Great Britain in 1776, as a sovereign independent state in 1778 she ratified and adopted the Federal Constitution. As a sovereign state she has now repealed and annulled her former adoption and ratification of that Constitution, and has set up for herself an independence and equality among the nations of the earth, which she expects, and demands; shall be clearly and explicitly recognised and admitted.

Still, recalling the blessings enjoyed, the wealth, power and happiness conferred upon her people in the earlier days of the Republic under the operation of the Federal Union and the Constitution as expounded and enforced by the patriot Fathers of those days, she is anxious to associate herself with the slaveholding States, in a new confederated Republic upon the basis of the old Union, and has elected delegates to represent her people in a Southern convention now assembled at the city of Montgomery in the State of Alabama, for the purpose of organizing a provisional government for the seceding States, and the adoption of a Constitution and the establishment of a more perfect Union, among her several sister Southern States.

In this great work of reorganization she cordially invites the cooperation and assistance of the State of Maryland. She is not unmindful of the past history of your great State, neither has she forgotten the proud names that cluster in unending glory upon the broad pages of your States history. The people of Georgia feel a just and proper pride in the fame, the virtue, the intelligence and patriotism of your Statesmen, while the courage and bravery of your sons in the field, have made their names as familiar to the people as household words. The part of Maryland, gives strong encourage-