

MERCER RALLY SONG.

MERCER-ATHENS CHAMPION DEBATE,

Grand Opera House, Atlanta, Saturday Night, May 28, 1898.

Air: "There'll be a Hot Time in the Old Town To-Night."

Come along, get you ready, for the big, big debate—
It's goin' to be the finest ever heard in the State!
We are going to meet Athens in Atlanta at The Grand
And spread Mercer's laurels all over the land!

When John Straton begins his mighty swing
He will make the very welkin ring,
And old Flannigan won't do them "a thing"—
There'll be a hot time

In Atlanta
To-night
O Mercer!

CHORUS: We love all Georgia (Athens with the rest),
We love every sunbeam that shimmers on her crest,
But, bless you, people,
We love old Mercer best!

There'll be a hot time
In Atlanta
To-night!

When you see our speakers come, fearless, on the floor,
Just hold your breath a little—some'n's goin' to happen "shore,"
And when they both begin to "argify" and speak,
See proud Athens' knees a growin' "kinder" weak.

For we have a Dewey and a Sampson here to fight,
And they will soon put 'Varsity to flight;
For Flannigan and Straton are simply "out o' sight!"
There'll be a hot time

For "Georgia"
To-night
O Mercer!

CHORUS:

We don't deny a minute that "Varsity" is great—
With a century to grow from the coffers of the State;
But for work that is solid and for men of kingly worth
Old Mercer yields the palm to no other school on earth.
Weddington and Walker are mighty nice and sweet—
Every inch a gentleman, each rounds the curve complete,
But Mercer's storm of logic will sweep them off their feet!

There'll be a hot time
In Atlanta
To-night
O Mercer!

CHORUS:

We've never lost a battle in the realm of the mind,
(And in Athletics we do not lag behind);
And if we lose this one, we have that much to spare,
We won't raise a "kick" and say it wasn't fair;
For grand old Mercer will still be in the lead—
We've won three trophies—last Summer did the deed—
Men and Oratory are the specialtics we breed!

There'll be a great time
In Atlanta
To-night
O Mercer!

CHORUS:

W. D. UPSHAW, Mercer University Macon.

Mercer Literary Club. (Exploded)

- Mr. Will D. Upshaw, Brother Willie
- Duffey Barnwell
- Norman Benson, Sec.
- Claud Fincher
- Arthur Reid
- Lawton Phillips
- Early Hally
- Henry Prutte
- J. D. Self, Pres
- Walter Braamon
- J. G. Fincher
- G. W. Greene Sr
- W. B. Greene
- W. B. White
- G. W. Greene Jr
- W. F. Hally
- G. B. Barnwell
- A. J. Greene
- A. F. Greene
- Sam Guthrie
- Dosa Hally
- James Smith
- H. L. Howard