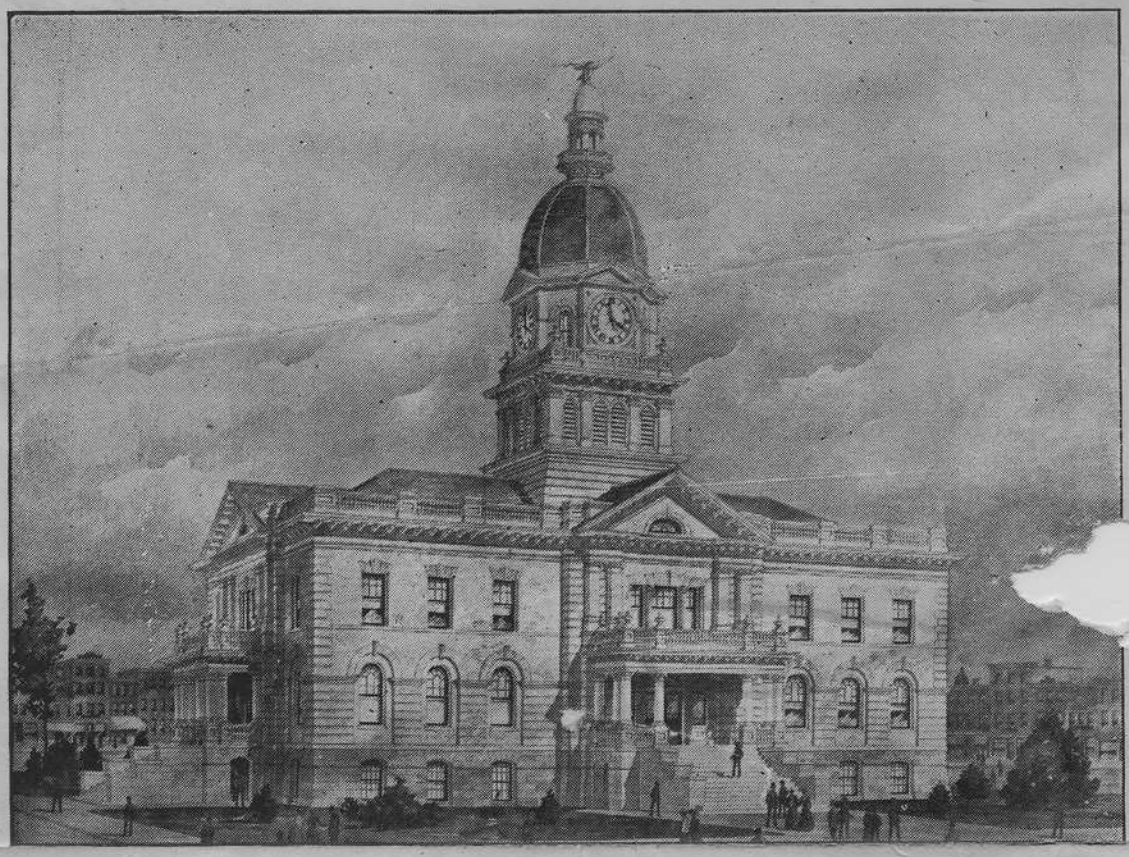
LAYING OF CORNERSTONE NEW CITY HALL,



ATHENS, GEORGIA, JUNE 11th, 1093.

BY GRAND LODGE OF GEORGIA, F. AND A. M.

EXERCISES.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

Prayer, Rev. E. D. Stone.

Remarks by Mayor J. F. Rhodes.

Address by Hon. T. S. Mell.

My country! 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing:
Land where my fathers died!
Land of the Pilgrims' pride!
From every mountain side
Let freedom ring!

My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills,
Like that above.

Let music swell the breeze,
And ring from all the trees
Sweet freedom's song:
Let mortal tongues awake;
Let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break,—
The sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to thee,
Author of liberty,
To thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might,
Great God, our King.