



Person

# Commonwealth of Virginia

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Richmond, Va. Jan 24 1881

Capt. J. Barron Lope

My Dear Capt:

I have been intending to write and tell you how glad I was that you had been appointed the Post for "Yorktown"; but my pressing work elsewhere has prevented.

I do so now most heartily, for I trust you will do justice to yourself the occasion. Your head & heart are full of Virginia & of those events which have helped to make her name immortal. I love to cherish those great memories - alto

write repeatedly - and it would be the  
joy of my life to have my name among  
them even by the slightest bond - How  
much I'd be with you, who <sup>not only</sup> love them, with  
an intense devotion - but who can, also,  
weave them into numbers that will live.

From my heart I wish  
you great success.

Allow me to sign

Very truly  
yours

Wm. W. Holiday