

Washington
Oct 2nd 1895

Hon Chas Capt
I have rec^d ^{Dear Sir}
your communication
of Saturday month
requesting my interest
and influence in
behalf of M^r Mellor
lecturer for the Janie
Monument fund. While
I most sincerely appreciate
the compliment you
tender me. I must

decline any other or
official rearrangement
of the venture. As I
have not the time
to give to it, which is
and the Lectures on
the most patriotic
subject to which he
gives his talent.

I have sent your letter
to Miss Wiggins who
will answer it her

kindest regards

Very truly yours
Thomas H. Hildes