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Biographical / Historical

Charles William Turner was born in 1846 in Stephen City, Virginia. He graduated VMI in 1867 and was a New Market cadet. He was also a lawyer and the Adjutant General of Montana. Turner died in 1907 in Seattle, Washington.

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Transcription

"V.M.I." Richmond Mch 28th 1865

Maj. Garnett Andrews Comdg 2d Foreign Batln

Sir: Shriver has arrived & has handed my name with a list of others to the Secretary of War for Commissions & you may look for me with you soon.

Rec'd a letter from Staunton a few days since which informs me that Crawford went to Woodstock, in the Valley, whilst the Yankees were there & was captured which my correspondent says to say the least of was very imprudent.

Since he has of his own accord it seems been captured, his situation will I suppose be vacant & as you promised me promotion when a vacancy occurred , please try & get the position for me. I am already a 2d Lieut in your Batln & would be more entitled to a 1st Lieutcy. than one who has never rec'd an appoint. at all. I understand that a cadet intends applying for Crawford's vacancy & request you to remember me in time.

Am fully convinced from Shriver's description that I will be well pleased with the new organization, & am anxious to join it forthwith.

In great haste Yours most respectfully, Charles W. Turner

Shriver will give you more information perhaps in regard to Crawford.