

Providence

Hon. John R. Bartlett Nov 3. 1863.

Secy. of State.

Dear Sir.

The dedication
services of the Gettysburg Cemetery
will take place on the 19th of Nov.

address by the Hon. Edward Everett.

It was my intention to be present
and join with other Governors.

I think it will not be possible
to do so, and request you will be
present. I have taken rooms at the

Principle Hotel and you will call

in my name on your arrival. I
hope to meet you before you leave
for Washington via New York upon

the important visit, should I not, please
accept my kindest wishes for you
and yours upon the occasion of your
wedding day, Mr. Smith as well as
the writer thanks you for the kind
invitation though we may not find
it convenient to be absent on the 10th,

If any business connected with your
Department can be transferred to me
let it be so done. Very truly,

James G. Smith.