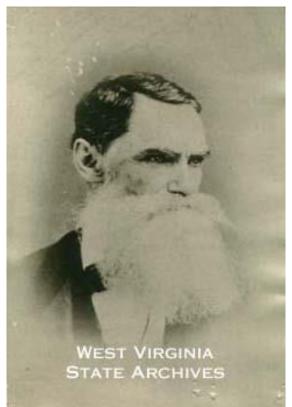


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## ON THIS DAY IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY March 8



On March 8, 1888, David Hunter Strother, the artist and author known as "Porte Crayon," died in Charles Town.

## CSO: SS.8.22, ELA.8.1, ELA.8.6

Investigate the Document: (Secretary of State's Office. Miscellaneous records, 1864-1920, AR-1748)

- 1. What do the time and date tell you? What do you know about the time in which the document was written? How is this document connected to other events in history?
- 2. What was turned over to the State of West Virginia after it was taken at Lexington during the war?
- 3. Is there any bias in the letter? If so, cite a quote from the document to validate your response.

**Think Critically:** What can be learned about David Hunter Strother from this document? What is a generalization you can make about him? What is something that you would ask Strother about this letter?

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Headquarter Dept of West Virginie July 8th 1864. To his Excellency A. J. Borman Governor of West Virginia. Su I am directed by Major General Hunter to say to you that the Brange Statue of George Washington taken at Lexington during the late Campaign & now in Whating is hereby turned over to the State of West Vusinia & shall remain the property of the State mules otherwise ordered by the miled States Government General Hunter putter says that he is must happy to have it in his power to Transfer This noble I historic Work from the keeping a Disloyal prople to the Loyal state of West Virginia, to which it property belongs . David H. Shother Col: and Chief of Staff.