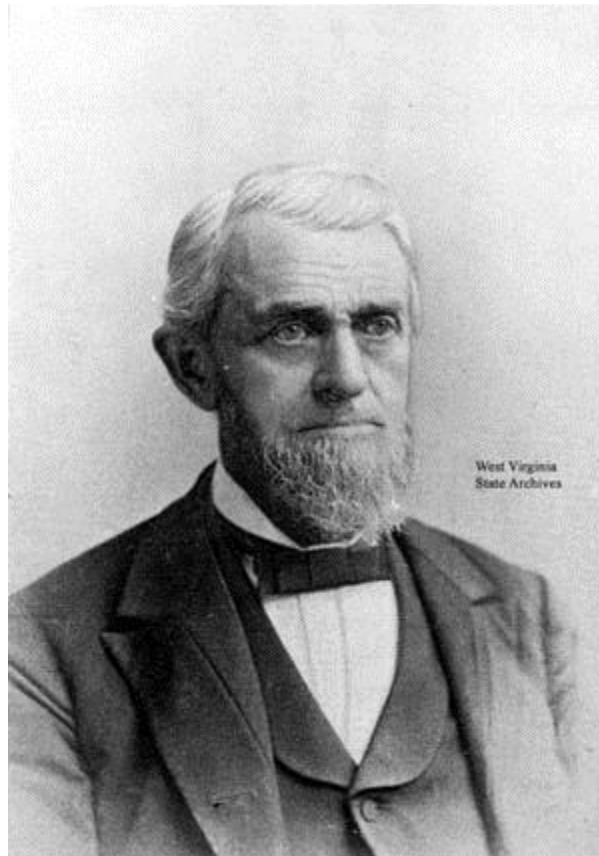


**ON THIS DAY IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY  
AUGUST 23**

**Chester D. Hubbard of Wheeling, one of the founding fathers of West Virginia, died on August 23, 1891.**

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**Investigate the Document: (First and last page of letter from Chester D. Hubbard, Ms2006-044, Wheeling Artificial Collection)**

1. Where was the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration, mentioned in the letter, to be held?
2. Who was the Mr. Willey invited to deliver an address at the event?
3. How many soldiers did Hubbard expect West Virginia to furnish for the draft?

**Think Critically: Why did so many of the founding fathers of West Virginia come from Wheeling?**

I can possibly come. In the first place I would be reported as running away and the Senate would probably refuse its assent in any event, so that I would have to take French leave in their case. So that my coming is involved in some uncertainty, but I shall not be deterred by light reasons.

Our Sunday Schools go to the Camp-grounds at Moundsville for their "4<sup>th</sup> of July" celebrations. Mr. Willey has been invited to deliver an address on the occasion. We hope to have a good time if such a thing be possible under present circumstances.

I shall not make any arrangements for you until you are here to choose for yourself. The six month draft in this state it is hoped will be met by volunteers. The Gov. told me yesterday he thought it would be done. We do not expect to furnish over 5000 men. The regiment of Cavalry is filled up already.

C. D. H.

July 30 1863

My dear Will

Shall I congratulate you on having attained the end of your course? While I do so it is with a regretful thought in my impractical noodle that the heat and burden of the day is now to take the place of a pleasant emulation in pursuits which are to you their own rewards.

Don't ask anything about your future, till you get home and understand the position of things here. It is as bad as mismanagement could make it.

Alana is at home - content to keep quiet. His progress or standing as you call it is commended by fellow students and I see he is gaining on father, very to have indeed, his going to Meddleton in quiet times - He proposes to stay