

THE
LINCOLN LOG
ON THIS DAY,

SEPTEMBER 7, 1864

In the afternoon, a group of “the loyal colored men of Baltimore [Maryland]” meet in President Lincoln’s office, where they “present him with a...bible...as a token of respect and gratitude.” A newspaper reports, “The book is...bound in royal purple velvet, inclosed in a black walnut case, 16 by 14 inches.” “On one side,” an etching portrays “the President in the act of striking the shackles from the slaves.” Lincoln responds, “I can only say now...it has always been a sentiment with me that all mankind should be free.”



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