

THE
LINCOLN LOG
ON THIS DAY,

APRIL 19, 1864

At the White House, President Lincoln and his wife, Mary, host the “last public reception of the season.” The large crowd waiting to enter overwhelms “all the repressive efforts of the military and police.” A newspaper reports, “Many of those who were caught in the jam lost portions of their clothing, torn away.” In the Oval Room, the Lincolns “received the guests with habitual kindness and cordiality.” The Lincolns proceed to the East Room and “after making a circuit or two...retired.”



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