

THE
LINCOLN LOG
ON THIS DAY,

APRIL 30, 1864

President Lincoln “pardon[s]” and frees twenty-five “Indian prisoners now in confinement at Camp McClellan near Davenport Iowa.” The men represent a portion of the Indians who have been confined since November 1862, as a result of the August 1862 Dakota uprising. Missionary Thomas Williamson and Special Commissioner to the Indians George Day wrote to Lincoln and urged him to release the prisoners. Day wrote, “In the name of humanity [I] beg that you will...order them released and sent to take care of their...families now perishing for want of food.”



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