

THE
LINCOLN LOG
ON THIS DAY,

AUGUST 30, 1854

In the Sangamon County Circuit Court, Lincoln files a bill for divorce for his client, Mary Sinclair. Mary Sinclair seeks a divorce from John Sinclair, who, she asserts, is “guilty of extreme and repeated cruelty...by beating and kicking [Mary], and threatening and menacing her life.” Mary Sinclair declares that she entered the marriage with “a considerable amount of money and other personal property.” Mary Sinclair asks the court to grant her “a proper allowance of alimony.”



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