

THE  
**LINCOLN LOG**  
*ON THIS DAY,*

DECEMBER 22, 1856

In Springfield, Lincoln speaks at a dinner commemorating the 236<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Pilgrims' landing. A newspaper reports, "Some two hundred persons, ladies and gentlemen were present—mostly emigrants from New England, and their descendants." Several attendees offer toasts and the Springfield Brass Band provides musical entertainment. The paper adds, "All seemed to enjoy the 'reunion,' and many regretted that it did not occur oftener than once a year."



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