

THE
LINCOLN LOG
ON THIS DAY,

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President Lincoln writes two letters to Secretary of War Simon Cameron regarding a new role for Cameron within the administration. In the “official” letter, Lincoln notes, “As you have, more than once, expressed a desire for a change of position, I can now gratify you.” Lincoln plans to nominate Cameron for “Minister to Russia.” Lincoln labels a second letter, “Private,” and in it he confides that the new position will allow Cameron “to render services to your country, not less important than those you could render at home.”



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