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IT WAS LINCOLN'S CUSTOM to visit the troops and chat informally with officers and men. Here he sits with soldiers of the Fifth New York Cavalry Regiment, known as the First Ira Harris Guard, a part of the army defending Washington from September, 1862, to February, 1863.

Never before published in a book, this photograph by O. Pierre Havens of Sing Sing, New York, was obtained from the descendants of Lieutenant Edmund Blunt, seated at the table on Lincoln's right. The Lieutenant wrote home that the President visited the regiment and "a photograph was made which included me." Thenceforth, the picture taken in Virginia between September, 1862, and February, 1863, was known to Blunt's family as "Daddy and Lincoln."



Detail view O-68

"DADDY AND LINCOLN"