

Ship Hotel - 6<sup>th</sup> August 1850

My dearest Love -

We got here at 12 past six  
last evening Sunday had a pleasant journey  
the Coach all to ourselves - till we got to  
Granford when the Presbyterian Clerg<sup>y</sup> of Bock  
were got in a pleasant intelligent party. We walked  
over the Bridge together, whilst the Coach stopped  
at the Ferry - in I went on board or higher thoughts  
without - we proceeded simply through the Gate and  
had 2<sup>d</sup> class to pay as first passengers - so that  
it is cheaper riding than walking in N. B. L.

We find the same Service at the Inn but different  
Hosts. as far as we are quite as comfortable, and  
had to pay five shillings for Lunch - Last evening  
we had a visit from that "capital fellow" John  
Dunn - he was at home last week - but came  
through all the way. intended to have spent Sunday

with us but could not manage it. He was  
repeal with the L. Gov. Dupont at first till  
it was explained not to meet him. I sent  
a note to the L. Gov. this morn. just to say I had  
sent his two notes & with respect to the pamphlet  
in the hands. I was obliged by his having so  
promptly set my mind at ease on the subject.  
We met in Council at 2 o'clock with the usual  
honors. Nothing very remarkable in the Gov. respects  
but there was a large crowd. We doubt expecting  
a row. Gaylor was there contrary to expectations in  
a single spec jacket. Common old string waistcoat and  
corduroy trousers - which he turned to exhibit to  
the benches behind. but the Gov. after laying  
down or four Bills on the Table, there being no  
business before the Council adjourned till tomorrow  
so that all the Party were disappointed.

I have been to Pearson's & ordered the  
Red steel - which will be put in hand immediately

now to go tomorrow to choose the Chintz. I shall  
have the Red thread made 2 inches wider than  
the one we saw (which is sold) - and rather  
lower.

Harrold will change the fender  
or Guard for one the proper width for Sarah's  
room. I enquired at Royston the price is 30s. of that  
kind & size. Harrold showed me a Pop Out Lane  
cent. 18. Dunt Mine, & 18 parts of British Silver with  
ornamented pearl handles - price £6. 10. It would  
change £6. - they look like silver rather reddish  
cast. but he says they will get up. & preferable to  
plated - as they wear. with a little leather & that  
like silver - I shall look round tomorrow - with your  
Memoranda in my pocket. I have nothing further  
to say but love to you all. I cannot yet form  
any idea when we shall have done but hope it  
will not be long first

Your affectionate husband  
John Leake