

Wash. 12th Apr. 1840

My Dear Wife

I have received another remittance of \$5000. from Mr. Erwin, which I have sent to be deposited with the Bank of the U. States. He writes me that his affairs rest on a stable footing.

Fears have been entertained here that we should have a War with G. Britain; but I think there will be no War. On the arrival of the G. Western, expected about three weeks hence, we shall be relieved from the uncertainty.

The Connecticut Election has gone entirely in favor of the Whigs by an increased majority. All the information received here authorizes a confident expectation of Free Harrison's Election.

Mr. Bodico, the Russian Minister, was married the other day to a Miss Williams of Gro. Town, a young lady of 16 years of age, he being upwards of 50. There was a great wedding, six bridesmaids, and six attendants upon him. I was invited to the wedding, and asked by him to give him the bride. We set first at his house, and proceeded thence to the house of the bride, in eight or ten carriages. The streets were full, at both houses, of persons of all descriptions, drawn thither by the occasion. When the ceremony was performed the room was jammed as full as it could be, with the attendants relations of the parties and invited guests. After it was over, there was a profuse distribution of cakes creams and champagne. The wedding cake was three feet and a half in diameter at the base, surmounted with white flowers, and covered with a light airy drapery made