

ALC/BS/12

STAGES IN OPENING OF THE LINE

1837	Line opened from Euston to Boxmoor. Directors travel line.	Northampton Mercury 8. July
	Public demand for travel is high. Extra Sunday trains put on.	Northampton Mercury 19. August
1838	Railway opened as far as Tring	Northampton Mercury 24. March LBR Report
	Works held up by severe winter of 1837. Delays further opening line.	
1837	Opening line as far as Rugby and Denbigh Hall. Chaplin and Home (Coach proprietors) contracted to convey passengers between these stations.	Northampton Mercury 24. March LBR Report
1837	Detailed arrangements are made to deal with money and passenger luggage on this further opening of the line.	Letter C.R.Moorson to Board
1838	Description men and trains. Brief)Northampton Mercury 21. April
1838 9. April	Opening as far as Denbigh Hall Gathering.	Northampton Mercury 14. April
		Northampton Mercury 24th. Ma.
1838	LBR admits some customers hoping for the coaching connection were disappointed.	LBR ½ yearly meeting Northampton Mercury Aug. 25th.

During this time many passenger complaints are received.

1838.20 Sept.	the railway is unaccountable to the public	Northampton Herald
20 Oct.	Train leaves passengers without baggage	"
30 Sept.	Philimore affair	"

	6 Oct.	Editorial. Pledge to print letters of complaint	"
	13 Oct.	The hat and box affair	"
	13 Oct.	Exhortation to stop cadging in coach business	"
	13 Oct.	Ill use of passengers' baggage	"
1838		Whole length of line opened	Northampton Mercury 22. Sept.
1838		Poem. Mentions gatherings at opening.	Northampton Mercury 22. Sept.
1838		Fares and timetables	Northampton Mercury 15 Sept.
1838		Directors travel train before public	Northampton Mercury 22. Sept.
1838		Description opening. Includes Denbigh Hall	Northampton Mercury Sept 22.