

as a son he was dutiful and affectionate; to superiors and the aged he was respectful, always desirous to learn from their experience.— At the age of five he was first sent to school in Sophiasburg, where he gave evidence of remarkable aptness to learn at the age of six years, his teacher used to take him to the adjoining schools on exhibition days to speak pieces on the stage. So says his Teacher. As a school mate he exhibited much the same traits of character as in the domestic circle, seldom joining in those low childish sports common to school boys; to those who were indolent and inattentive to their studies, he often showed a sort of contempt which sometimes created him enemies, but to those who seemed desirous of excelling in scholarship, he was engaging in his manners and easily secured their respect. As it respects the parental instruction he received, it is true he never enjoyed the hallowed influence disseminated by that bond of domestic happiness 'the family altar,' yet few had better precepts given them than he whose unhappy lot we now lament. The character he displayed in youth accompanied him during his short career in manhood; his personal appearance was pleasant and gentlemanly, in his manners he was easy and graceful in height, about 5 feet 11 inches, of a pale countenance, dark hair with sandy whiskers, a small dark penetrating eye and one that would seem to penetrate into the mind of his man. His whole exterior appearance was not only prepossessing but showed the beholder that he was a man of a strong original intellect and determined perseverance; such is the man whose name is spread far and wide, and whose situation has been the principal topic of conversation during the past few months.

As a Physician his practice was attended with great success, and every day increasing. The proceeds of his business was said to be from one to two hundred dollars per month when his wife died. And as he himself said in a letter to a correspondent, that he was rapidly securing both wealth and fame. While he was in Toronto he studied with great assiduity until he obtained a first class certificate. On the 31st of January, 1855 he was married Miss Sarah Ann Lawson, of Brighton, a young lady of about his own age, her parents own a large farm, and are highly respected. After their marriage they went to Toronto, where he pursued his studies until he obtained the certificate referred to. While there, they took boarders, to assist in defraying the expenses of his education. After his return from Toronto he taught school for a few months, when he obtained a situation as a third class Teacher in the Hamilton Central School, About a year after the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. King their first and only child was born which however lived but little over a month. Previous to this time the report was circulated that King misused his wife, which together with the delicate state of Mrs. King's health induced her parents to bring her under their own roof in order that she might receive the more careful attendance. During the time she was with her parents she received letters, from him, accusing her of infidelity he used expressions in them that would do discredit to there author were they published. He how-

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