

fore the public, stating that I would have them published, as he gave them.

His first remarks were upon the love which he bore to his wife for the first three months after marriage, which was very ardent on both sides.

He said that Mr. Lawson never gave him any money to defray the expenses of his education in Philadelphia, except a fifty dollar Gold piece, which he (Dr. King) had repaid, and unless Mr. Lawson would give up to the Dr.'s father some furniture which belonged to the Dr. the debt would be paid four or five times over. Mr. Lawson's version of the case is, that he (Mr. L.) gave him the \$50 and at an other time the late Mrs. King sold a cow which had been given her, and sent the money to the Dr. while he was in Philadelphia, and if I mistake not borrowed more of her friends, making in all a sum of about \$100 which had never been repaid and that the furniture in the house belonged to Mrs. K. as a part of her marriage portion.

He said that the report which was circulated about his disliking his child was false, that no parent ever liked his child better than he did. He said that the child was unnatural in its formation about the abdomen, which caused its death. This statement was corroborated by a Mrs. Allison of Codrington. He denied having held down his wife when she had taken his medicine—Said that he might have touched her, but thought not. He denied having family prayer during Mrs. King's illness—said that he never done so after he received Miss Garrett's letter on the 5th of June; but previous to that time he did so. When Mr. Hunt called upon Mrs. K. he merely responded to certain petitions which the Rev. Gentleman offered up for the salvation of her soul. He said that Miss Garrett wrote the first letter to him, asking him if he considered her health to be good enough to warrant her in getting married. He replied he did, and asked her if he was not to bold or inquisitive why she referred the question to him, she replied again, that she had an offer of marriage, but yet the gent was not the man of her choico; and if she was to choose for herself the Dr. would be the man above all others to whom she could like to give her hand; this was the first of the correspondence between them, and from that he conceived the first idea of marrying some other woman. He said that her letter was fascinating, but yet he never had any idea marrying her, that he had never had his mind fixed upon any person until he saw Miss Vandervoort, and in her he saw the very counterpart of himself. Her talent for music was what first charmed him.

He said that his wife was a kind good hearted woman, a good house keeper and very economical but very illiterate, and would not try to improve her mind. But that was no excuse for him, he had done the deed and his punishment was just; he said that he was the sole perpetrator of the crime, no other person had any knowledge of his guilt but himself. But the girls had a wonderful influence upon his conduct, but he would not criminate them. During the time of my stay in the prison the Dr. spoke very earnestly about seeing Mr. and Mrs. Lawson, that night by 12 o'clock, not to talk over the past,