himself, to associate with a female by the name of Alicia Elkins whose beauty was the only recommendation she could have presented to one of riper years and maturer judgement. In a moment of intensity however, this woman operating partly upon his fears and partly on his passions seduced him into a marriage which has brought sorrow upon his friends and misery upon himself. The lapse of five months made her the mother of an illegitimate child sometime previous to which Your Petitioner committed her to the protection of her friends, since which time more than two years he has had no connexion with her. Her conduct since their separation has been any thing else than that of a chaste and virtuous woman, and the day has gone by, when a reconciliation could be hoped for.

Under these circumstances Your Petitioner, has been induced to spread the facts of his case before the only tribunal clothed by the laws of the Country with the power to afford him relief by granting a divorce.

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I believe most of the facts stated in the foregoing petitions to be true and upon the whole are of opinion a divorce should be granted

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