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 of Wm Thompson and as
 Messrs. Bonebrake like that
 of a deafening man, and
 went with sea Captain
 to S. S. Hamilton, so as
 to prevent, if possible, any
 personal knowledge, even
 by sea, through oral report
 of one of James Cotton

Sketch of Character of
 Thompson - by S. S. Hamilton
 April 1856

This is a man of solid practical
 ability, and possessed of good
 common sense and steady domestic
 & business habits - He has a healthy
 constitution, a well balanced mind,
 and much quiet energy of character.
 He is social & friendly, and full of
 sincere attachment to his friends -
 kind to wife & children and
 decidedly a man of humane
 & generous sentiments -

He can give his attention closely
to those things connected with
his affection interest and
duty - His mind requires a
little stimulus to bring its powers
fully forward - He is a man
of peace and not too bold,
yet he has much manly
independence and great influence
of character - He is conservative
& not destructive, yet he
is a man of energetic &
liberal views and will stand

up for his rights, and defend his
religious & political opinions with
dignity and straight forwardness. He
is blunt, honest and a man
of few words in general, yet
he has good talent for conversa-
tion & very good reasoning
powers on practical subjects
Heads like this are well adapted
for managers of public works
& for the direction of men -
Mechanical talent is indicated
here in considerable degree &
in practical engineering he will
display good ability - He has
a good eye for size and for

He has a fair share of
delicacy & refinement

form & also for ^{judging of} strength &
mechanical force - He is a
sensible, observing and thoughtful
man, and in any branch of
mechanics or even trade he
will display delicacy, taste, order
& system - He has a lively vein
of humour & full of social
ease and readiness of remark -
His reasoning faculties are large
especially comparison -
He has good ability for
practical mathematics if he
chooses to apply - He could
turn his attention to agriculture
with ^{fair} success if he chose -

I assumed the name of Wm. Thompson, and a dress somewhat like that of a sea-faring man, and went with a sea captain to A.S. Hamilton, so as to prevent, if possible, any personal knowledge, or any bias, through oral report of some of our former

Notes of Character of
Wm. Thompson - by Wm. B. Brown
April 1856

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