

Elsie had been brought over from Vancouver by Miss Morgan four days before my arrival. She was a bright, wayward, stubborn, restless and affectionate girl, we think about fourteen years of age. The court trial re Elsie was pending for weeks. Sing Kow, who claimed to own her, came repeatedly to see her, which request was always refused, except a competent interpreter could be secured. At the request of our lawyer, I took Elsie eight times to his office, to be ready in case the court required her. Twice she had to appear in court, and I had to stand once in the witness-box. October 26th Judge Drake sustained the former decision given by Judge Walkem, "that Elsie remain in the Home." A further attempt was threatened by Sing Kow, but no notice has been given, consequently we think he will not further trouble us.

On September 20th Katie had her face operated on by Dr. E. Hall in my presence, having no one to nurse her in her home. I brought her with me, and put her to bed. Shortly after her partial recovery her husband was arrested for forgery and put into jail. A law-suit followed. Mr. Hall, with the help of Mr. J. E. Gardner, won the case. They both believed him to be innocent, consequently did their best to secure his liberty, and succeeded, to the great joy of Katie and all her friends. After staying three months with us in the Home, Katie accompanied her husband to their own little home.

On October 18th we had a wedding in the parlor at 2.30 p.m. The young girl came from one of those awful places, having wished to escape the sad life for some time. Rev. Mr. Chan and Rev. A. B. Winchester performed the solemn ceremony in the presence of a few who happened in, after which I passed round tea and cake. They took a room with Mary, Rosa and Laura. The bride has come quite often to our Friday meeting, and she and her husband attend the Mission Church.

I must now go back to Christine whom I carefully nursed, dressing her sore back every day for three weeks, then each alternate day for five weeks, then occasionally as the case required. Gradually she became able to help with the work. Miss Morgan taught her and Elsie for two hours in the