

Rupert to carry the gospel to the heathen there. During days of discord and jealousy between different crests of the tribe, the missionary has had to give words of chilling and warning, strong medicine, in order that their feuds might be settled in a peaceful way. Some would murder and complain, but Charlie Amos never. He was always ready to say, "My brothers, we asked God to send his servant to us, and God sent him. We promised to obey his words. It may be hard for us, but his words are wise, and will do us good. Our hearts are dark and we do not know anything. We are only little children. Let us listen to his counsels."

For many years he has been in delicate health, owing no doubt to the Witch Doctors of nearly all the villages of the Kwagwiltz nation whom Charlie knew were anxious to effect his death.

The end came suddenly upon a beautiful Sabbath afternoon last August. He gave clear evidence of his readiness to depart and be with Christ. A few days before his death he said, in reply to a question of the missionary, "Why should I be afraid? I am going into the calm. I have been in the tempest. I am happy", then he passed away to receive his Everlasting Crown, a member of the Noble Army of Martyrs.

WEDDING BELLS.

On Monday June the 20th. Mr. George. L. Anderson, who for several years has filled the position of teacher at Kitamaat, was married to Rhoda Amos, one of "our girls". She is the daughter of "Wabuksgumalayou", (Charlie Amos) She was attired in a summer muslin dress, a veil with a wreath of wild roses, and carried a bouquet of the same. After the ceremony they went home to Mr. Anderson's ranch.

On the 18th. of June, Julia Wesley of Kitamaat widow of William Wesley, was married to A Fred Wesley.

Emma Brown of "our girls" was married to Arthur Mc Kay, of "our boys" on the 20th. of June. The bride wore a dress of white cotton, veil, wreath and carried a bouquet of wild roses.

While it would be unfair to look for much in the way of orderly house-keeping from those who have not had the advantages of the "Home" training. We expect each of "our girls" to be a missionary to her own people and exemplify in her home Christianity, order, and cleanliness

WOING AMONG ALASKA INDIANS.

WOING AND WEDDING IN ALASKA AMONG THE NATIVES ARE INTERESTING AND PECULIAR RITES.

IT IS SAID, WHEN A YOUNG MAN IS OF A SUITABLE AGE TO MARRY, HIS MOTHER, HIS AGENT OR HIS SISTER LOOKS UP A WIFE FOR HIM: IF HE CAN HELP IT HE SELDOM MARRIES A WOMAN YOUNGER THAN HIMSELF. SHE IS SELECTED FROM A FAMILY WHOSE POSITION EQUALS HIS OR IS EVEN HIGHER. WHEN A SUITABLE WOMAN IS FOUND,

THE YOUNG MAN IS ASKED HOW MANY BLANKETS AND FURS HE IS WILLING TO PAY FOR HER. WHEN THIS QUESTION IS SETTLED, A FEAST IS ARRANGED TO WHICH THE FRIENDS OF BOTH FAMILIES ARE INVITED. WHEN THE COMPANY IS ASSEMBLED, THE WOMAN'S PEOPLE THEN EXTOL THE GREATNESS OF THEIR FAMILY. THE YOUNG MAN'S MARRIAGE GIFTS ARE SPREAD OUT WHERE THEY WILL MAKE A FINE SHOW AND THEN HIS FAMILY SOUND THEIR PRAISES. THE CEREMONY LASTS FROM ONE TO TWO DAYS, AND FINALLY IF THE NEWLY MARRIED COUPLE DO NOT GO TO LIVE WITH HER PARENTS, THE YOUNG BRIDEGROOM TAKES HIS WIFE TO HIS OWN ABODE.

PROGRESS OF THE GOOD WORK.

The year at Kitamaat has been characterized by steady and encouraging work along missionary lines. While perhaps we cannot report considerable progress amongst the aged, we can however state that there has not been a year in the history of the mission when the natives have taken more interest in the education and salvation of their children. The old people say to us again and again, we are too old to learn much about the Light, our hearts are very dark, we do not wish our children to grow up to be like us, we give our children to you, that they may learn the "True Way" and become wise and good.

The church services are all well sustained. The Sunday School is our most largely attended service. The simple lesson with black-board illustrations, and the line upon line, precept upon precept, style of teaching has been productive of much good.

We have had under our care a number of boys, but our work amongst them has not been altogether satisfactory owing to the lack of a suitable building for this purpose. A married teacher is almost essential to the growing demands of the place, and would greatly aid in our work amongst the boys. We hope this matter will receive special consideration of the Missionary Society, especially as the British Columbia Conference recommended Kitamaat as a suitable location not only for a girls' Home, but also for a boys'.

The work amongst the girls is very satisfactory, and in good results, considering the accommodation has far exceeded our expectation.

This work is fully established. We have commenced to build a "Home" for the girls, and what we have built is strong and will make a good kitchen and dining room for the main building.

During the year the mission property has been improved, a new school-house built, and a good road made to the church, a board sidewalk has been built through the village. We are building a strong picket fence around the mission house.

The day school has been very largely and regularly attended, by the children of school age in the village. Mr. Anderson has been very faithful in the discharge of his duty as teacher.