

on bail, although it was refused at first. I fear the issue is doubtful, but still we hope to save one more from the clutches of evil-doers.

*August 5th.*—When Tom Chue was sent on his embassy to have the girl, Gan Hoy, arrested and brought here, little or no difficulty was expected. The girl was supposed to be anxious to come, and still appeared so after the arrest was made, but an emissary of the "Highbinders" had access to her in prison, and so changed and influenced her that the case is again adjourned and the procurers rearrested. This case is being fought, not only to save the girl, Gan Hoy, but to hinder, as much as possible, this traffic. These women get into the country under false pretences. There will be considerable expense connected with the case.

*August 11th.*—The case is again postponed for five or six days. I fear nothing will come of all this outlay of time and money, except that it is another bold attempt to hinder and impede this dreadful traffic, and also that by having these things brought to light, the public opinion and conscience shall be aroused. I was twice at the Custom House last Monday with Mr. Gardiner, and the result of inquiries only amounted to this: That this woman and girl came over as first-class cabin passengers, and were met on their arrival on the 2nd of May, and vouched for by a merchant of standing in Chinatown, and therefore could not be interfered with.

When I wrote last I was very anxious about a quite different matter, but was still hopeful. In the Home we are all in sorrow about our dear bright little Jessie, who, I fear, is not only going to lose the sight of one eye, but that it will have to be removed very soon. The doctor has been in daily attendance for nearly a fortnight. I treated it as best