

92. How often do you see your friends?—I have not seen any. Only my sister came down, and she was refused.
93. Are you allowed to write home?—Yes, once in three months; but when I asked to write to my sister I was refused.
94. Are you allowed to speak to one another at meal-times?—Not unless the Matron is taking meals, and she gives us permission to talk very slowly.
95. If a member of the staff is taking meals you are not allowed to talk?—No.
96. What happens if you do?—We lose a mark, and sometimes we are sent out with our dinner and sometimes without it.
97. And if you are sent out without your dinner, when do you get your next meal?—At tea-time.
98. Do you know anything about what is called the reception-room?—Yes.
99. Have you ever been taken in there?—No. I refuse to answer any of these questions.
100. *The Commissioner.*] What kind of a room is this?—I have seen the room.
101. You have never been examined in it yourself?—No.
102. *Mr. Salter.*] There is some rule about the way in which you are to dress your hair?—Yes, we have to dress it back behind the ears, and plait it. If we bring it over our ears or on our necks we lose a mark.

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C— A— further examined.

103. *Mr. Russell.*] Before you came here, where were you living?—At Adelaide Road, Wellington.
104. And you were committed here in 1901?—Yes.
105. Where did the police find you just before you were committed here—in a Chinaman's house?—Yes.
106. You were living with Chinamen?—No.
107. Were you not brought out of a Chinaman's house, and for that reason committed here?—I was taking some flowers there, and I went there with a girl named J— S—
108. Were you ever there but once?—That was the first time.
109. How often after that were you there?—That was the first and last time I was in that place.
110. Then, it is not true that you were living in a Chinese den in Wellington, and for that reason were committed here?—No.
111. Why were you sent here?—Because I was found there that one day.
112. You were never there before?—No.
113. What part of the house were you found in?—I was found in a front room, and then I went into a back room with some women.
114. Did the police come while you happened to be there?—Yes.
115. What is your father?—He is working at P—'s stables.
116. Had you ever been in any Chinese houses in Haining Street in Wellington?—No.
117. That was the first and only occasion on which you were in a Chinese house?—Yes.
118. You are sure?—Yes. I only took some flowers to a woman named Mrs. G—.
119. You are not naturally a truthful girl: you admit that yourself?—I do not always tell the truth, but in this case I do.
120. I think, if you want to tell a lie, you do not hesitate to tell one?—No.
121. Now, you and the Matron have always been on exceedingly good terms since you have been here?—Yes.
122. Has the Matron been kind to you or not, taking it all through?—Sometimes.
123. Only sometimes?—Yes.
124. Do I understand that the Matron generally has been unkind to you, and only kind to you on occasions?—Generally she has been kind to me.
125. You know the object of your being here?—Yes.
126. What is the object?—To reform.
127. To make you a good woman—is that the object?—Yes.
128. Have you not arranged with the Matron that she should take you to Sydney to the Exhibition?—Yes.
129. You will be twenty-one by that time?—Yes.
130. And the Matron has promised that, everything being right, she will take you and four or five other girls to Sydney at the time of the Exhibition?—Yes.
131. Does that show she is kind to you or not?—It is just on whether I want to go or not; if I want to go, I can go with her.
132. Do you not think it is very kind of her to offer to do this when she is there on a holiday?—Yes; but we could go ourselves if we want to. I had arranged to go with another girl before the Matron asked me.
133. What other girls were you going with?—H— M—. We were the first two to plan we were going.
134. When will you be out of your time here?—Next year.
135. You have been out to two places at service—at Mr. A—'s and Mrs. B—'s?—Yes.
136. You went to Mr. A—'s place on the 30th January, 1906?—Yes.
137. And during that time you wrote several letters to the Matron?—Yes.
138. Were you on very friendly terms with the Matron at that time?—Yes.
139. These marks on these letters you sent to her mean kisses?—Yes.