

OPIUM IN LEMONS.

The Queer Discovery Made in the Raid on
Young Sing's "Hop"
Joint.

Constable Frank King unearthed a Chinese opium den at 309 Walnut street yesterday, and succeeded in arresting the proprietor, Young Sing, and three frequenters. The constable went to the Chinaman's place alone yesterday and asked him for \$1 worth of "hop." He says Sing took the \$1 and began weighing out the "hop." King made an excuse, got his money back and called his deputies. When they entered the place the smokers scattered in every direction, and one succeeded in making good his escape. Jim Lee took refuge in the tall weeds back of the house, but the officers got him. The prisoners were marched up to Justice Worthen's court and Young Sing was placed under \$200 bond for his appearance in court Monday morning.

The constables confiscated a huge clothes basket full of opium paraphernalia, consisting of pipes, hypodermic syringes, opium scales, lamps for lighting the pipes and scores of cans partly filled with the waxy opium; but the greatest thing in the whole collection were a number of lemons filled with the prepared drug. The lemons had been opened at one end, leaving enough of the rind intact to act as a hinge. The inside of the fruit had been carefully removed and the lemons filled with the opium gum. It is probable that this is a means resorted to in smuggling the drug into the country. Several thousand dollars' worth of opium could easily be imported in an ordinary case of lemons.