

# WHITE OPIUM "JOINTS" OF SAN FRANCISCO.

### Hunts of the "Hop Heads" Outside of Chinatown.

### MANY DENS ARE OPEN.

### "Dope Fiends" Rendezvous From the North Beach to the Mission

### IN DEFIANCE OF THE LAWS.

### A Further Lifting of the Veil From the Most Dangerous Resorts in the City.

### VI. THE POLICE OFFICIALS SURPRISED. "THE CALL'S" EXPOSE NOT COMPLETE YET.

Some of the police officials rubbed their eyes when they read THE CALL yesterday. They hoped it was only some evil nightmare—that opium expose—that long list of resorts for white "dope fiends" in Chinatown. But the hope was vain. And at last some of these police officials gained a knowledge that may be useful to them in future efforts—when they come to realize that the laws against the opium traffic should be enforced.

Not every man in the police department gained a new knowledge from reading the expose in THE CALL, though it is evident from what Chief Crowley said in his interview in THE CALL Saturday morning, that he was in ignorance of the startling and shameful facts laid bare to the public in these columns yesterday—and again today.

But the ignorance of the chief may be pardonable. He cannot know what is not reported to him, for he is too busy a man to make personal investigations. The ignorance of his subalterns, however, is not so pardonable, though it is better than criminal knowledge.

The policemen who regularly patrol the beats where these opium dens are located may fairly be supposed to possess even a greater knowledge of the opium evil in San Francisco than their chief gained yesterday by reading THE CALL. These are merely comments in passing. The time has not yet arrived for conclusions to be drawn, for even the bare glimpses of the vilest and most pernicious evil which the slums of a metropolis were ever afflicted, that THE CALL means to show the public, has not yet been given.

It has been shown how, when and where white men and women and youths smoke opium in Chinatown. But that is not all. The vice has spread beyond the limits of Chinatown. The City is infested with the haunts and dens of opium-smokers.

A list of twenty places where the "fiends" rendezvous to practice the vice has been compiled after only a few days' investigation. Without doubt there are a hundred or more of these dens scattered throughout the City.

Most of them are lodging-houses. In some of the lodging-houses there are layouts in every room, and nightly hundreds of the "hop heads" congregate in these resorts to satisfy their morbid craving for the debasing drug, while many novices—young men and girls from respectable homes—find their way to the dens to take their first steps that lead surely to the gutter or the madhouse.

This state of things is unlawful. More, it is known to the policemen who regularly patrol these beats. What is worse still, policemen have been seen to enter these resorts and consort with the inmates.

Next to a leper there is nothing so degraded in the human family as the "hop head." Chief Crowley has said he believes there are by no means a thousand of them

sorts for opium-smokers in this City outside of the Chinese quarters. In rare instances there are only one or two rooms in the houses mentioned where "layouts" are kept for the "fiends," but in most cases the premises are infested with the "fiends," and there are "layouts" for smokers in nearly every room in the house.

As a rule, these places are lodging-houses—all of them of a very low order in the moral scale, but some of them quite high-priced and infested by the "dude fiends"—that specimen of human kind which lives well and works not, and takes the earnings from their wives or mistresses that frequent the dark streets. The list is as follows:

- 139 FOURTH STREET, room 16 on the second floor, and room 27 on the third floor.
- 110 FOURTH STREET, a back double room on the second floor, rented by two "fiends," who have several "layouts."
- KING HOUSE, Fourth and Howard streets. Notorious for years.
- PETIT HOUSE, Fourth street, near Howard.
- THIRD AND HOWARD STREETS, northwest corner, lodging-house over drug-store. Notorious resort.
- STANDARD HOUSE, 1120 Market street.



AN INTERIOR OF ONE OF THE ROOMS OF THE BALTIMORE HOUSE. (From a sketch made by a "Call" artist.)

A well-known resort for "fiends." White girls seen there frequently.

- 109 DUPONT STREET, second floor.
- 309 DUPONT STREET, A notorious "joint." Frequented by "dude fiends."
- 311 DUPONT STREET.
- 419 DUPONT STREET, basement in rear.
- 502 BUSH STREET, Baltimore House, a "layout" in nearly every room; notorious, men and women.
- 514 BUSH STREET, two rooms.
- 517 BUSH STREET, one room at present. A notorious "joint."
- 514 PINE STREET, rooms 20, 24 and 18.
- Over the Mission Chapel.
- 633 CALIFORNIA STREET. One of the worst "joints" in the City. Easy access to strangers. Has been running for years.
- 711 CALIFORNIA STREET, frequented mostly by women "fiends."
- KEATING'S SALOON, Berry and Dupont streets, "layout" patronized mostly

He was in his shirt-sleeves, and his shoes were at the foot of the bed. There was very little ventilation in the room, and the atmosphere was stifling for a novice.

"This is my third dose to-day," said the man on the bed. "I'm a moderate smoker, but I'll take enough this time to get the full effect."

"He smokes seventy-five pills a day," said the young man, through whose influence we had gained access to the room.

"I'll take the worst kind of a 'habit,'" said the man on the bed. "I'll take the worst kind of a 'habit,'" said the man on the bed. "I'll take the worst kind of a 'habit,'" said the man on the bed.

"There's no room for you're gents to smoke here," she said, as we pushed open the door and pressed into the room.

"I only want to see you a minute," said the "fiend" who acted as guide.

Lizzie proved to be the tall girl on the floor. They exchanged a few whispered words, and then the visitors had to go out, and the old woman locked the door at once.

An effort was made to get into some of the other rooms in the house. Walking along the hallways one could smell the fumes of the "dope" coming from almost every door, but the "fiend" himself proved unequal to the task of gaining admittance.

When he knocked on a door a drowsy voice would call out: "Who's there?" "It's— I want to see you a moment."

Sometimes the voice of the inmate would recognize the voice and the name, but he would open the door cautiously, and upon seeing the strangers would grow suspicious.

and recently some children rescued from the house by the S. P. C. C. There are many other resorts of a similar kind on Pacific street and on Stevenson, Jessie and Howard streets. These latter can be easily located. Besides these there are very many others, some of them very difficult of access.

## VIII. INTERIOR VIEW OF SOME OF THE TENDERLOIN OPIUM "JOINTS."

An interior view of a room devoted to opium-smoking in the tenderloin district is most uninviting as a rule. It lacks even the picturesqueness of the ancient Chinese "joint." In the old days, before the Legislature and the Supervisors passed stringent laws forbidding the maintenance of these dens, some of them were handsomely and even luxuriantly appointed.

Now they are usually bare rooms, with only the scant allowance of cheap furniture usually found in the lower order of lodging-houses. On the third floor of the Baltimore House, at 502 Bush street, a room was found quite typical of most of the others in that neighborhood. It was a single room, with an iron-framed bedstead, a washstand and a wardrobe. On the bed lay the smoker, a man not more than 35 years of age.

"I'll be through in a few moments," he said, when the person entered. "Then you can have the pipe. Why don't some of you go to Mike's room? He has two layouts."

Confusion reigned in Chinatown yesterday. There were many scenes of wild disorder, and at one time it was believed a general riot was imminent. The fact that this did not actually occur, and that there was no killing done is due to the watchfulness and determination of the police, who dispersed the crowds and kept a close eye on the most belligerent of the Chinese.

All the afternoon and evening crowds of Chinese congregated at one point or another, only to be pounced upon and scattered by Sergeant Shea's squad, who were not at all gentle in handling the Mongolians if their attitude became threatening. Through it all, at the time the disturbance was the most turbulent, Rev. Sue Tuo Namart, of the Presbyterian Mission, stood on a box in the middle of the street and preached to the heathen.

The chief cause of disorder was a cartoon posted on a dead wall at the corner of Clay street and Waverly place at about 1 o'clock in the afternoon. It was an excellently executed drawing in colors, depicting the Chinese Consul-General, Li Wing Yu, receiving bribes from a party of Sam Yups to use his influence in getting Mook Tai, charged with the murder of Chong Wai, hanged. It is this case, as is familiarly known now, that has caused all the uneasiness in Chinatown since the murder occurred July 13.

No sooner had the cartoon been posted than Chinese began to congregate. In a few minutes Waverly place was packed from Washington to Clay street, and the intersection of Clay street and Waverly place was literally jammed. Within thirty minutes of the time the See Yup artist displayed his caricature to the public fully 5000 Chinamen were fighting to get near enough to see it. Either the cartoon was universally pleasing to the throng or else those who did not approve of it were afraid to say so or make any counter-demonstration, for nothing of the sort was noticeable.

The Mongols enjoyed themselves for fully half an hour before Policemen Samuels and Connelly, coming down their beats, observed the mob. They made a simultaneous rush at the crowd, using their clubs vigorously. They were soon joined by Sergeant Shea's squad, and the Chinese were sent about their business. Officer Samuels tore down the cartoon and turned it over to Officer Hanly of the special squad.

The incident of the cartoon was the beginning of many scenes of disorder. Other cartoons of an obscene nature were posted by Chinese and immediately torn down by the police. A poster asking all Chinese to boycott the market at Jackson street and Fish alley was posted against the building. The owner sought the police to have it taken down, saying he dare not venture to do so himself.

In one instance a Chinese purchased a coat at a boycotted house and started home with it. He was not outside the door before a mob of angry heathens forcibly took the garment from him and would have destroyed it but for the intervention of the police, who arrived just in time to prevent what might have resulted in a most serious if not fatal row.

It was just at the close of the demonstration over the cartoon and while the latter scene was being enacted that the Rev. Sue Tuo Namart opened religious services. He mounted a box in the middle of Waverly place, where the crowd had so enjoyed itself to the discomfiture of the Consul-General, and almost instantly order in that locality was restored, although on all sides could be heard the hooting of the See Yups at the boycotted Sam Yup institutions.

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According to this information, the present trouble is the outgrowth of an agreement entered into three years ago between the Sam Yup and See Yup companies which pertained to the nature of a compromise for its purpose the prevention of crime among the Chinese, and the conviction and punishment of wrongdoers. It was the work of the better class of Chinese, and many of the originators of it belonged to both companies. The officers on both sides signed an agreement that, when a grave crime was committed, neither company should take steps to bail the offender out or to secure his acquittal, but that the law should be allowed to take its course.

This agreement has been adhered to up to the time of the recent murder. The See Yups, of which Mook Tai is a prominent member, were the first to ask to break the agreement. They asked permission to take steps to have Mook Tai released on bail and that the Six Companies bear equally the expense of conducting his case. This request the Sam Yups declined to grant, and Consul-General Li Wing Yu stood behind the Sam Yups, urging that, if Mook Tai was guilty he should be punished, and if innocent, he would be so proved. This seems to be the only part of the agreement that has been broken. The Consul-General has taken in the matter further than the use of his influence to preserve peace. There are many of the See Yup people who believe Mook Tai guilty, although they will not admit it, but the majority of them believe, or affect to believe, he is innocent and all are desirous of seeing him released.

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Thus the meeting broke up and hostilities were renewed with redoubled vigor. So persistent were the attacks on the Sam Yup merchants that any man, woman or child who went to one of their stores to make a purchase was stopped and, in most of cases, the goods were taken from them and thrown away. Chickens, pork and vegetables were stolen from the stalls and the police had a busy time of it. Several arrests were made, but the prisoners were bailed out as quickly as they were booked at the California-street station.

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The police are keeping an extra watch and the posse has been augmented. Should an outbreak occur the chances are that quite a number of Mongolians will be killed before it is quelled. The preliminary trial of Mook Tai takes place to-day, and if he is held to answer on a charge of murder the trouble will doubtless begin.

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### A TRIBUTE OF ESTEEM.

Dr. J. W. Keeney Presented With a Silver Desk-Service.

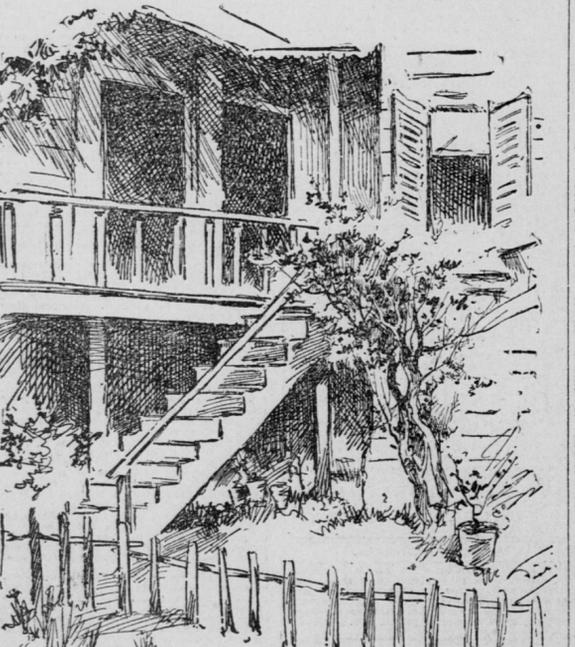
The employees of the Health Office who had worked under Dr. J. W. Keeney as Health Officer for the past two years have presented him with a handsome set of silver furnishings for his desk. In all there are thirteen pieces, including a hand-

### Amateur Baseball.

The Pacific baseball team of this city defeated the C. A. Hall team from Oakland at the Haight-street grounds by a score of 20 to 5 yesterday. The feature of the game was the great hitting of the Pacific.

### Vast Store of Gold.

Impartial writers say that the gold contained in the medals, vessels, chains and other objects preserved in the Vatican would make more gold coin than the whole of the present European circulation.



THE REAR ENTRANCE TO OPIUM DENS IN LOVELEY'S COTTAGE ON PINE STREET. (From a sketch made by a "Call" artist.)

in the City. There are more than 3000 of them in San Francisco.

"But little 'dope' is sold or smoked here now," said the Chief in his interview. "We have kept the evil within bounds. There are no dens, properly so-called, in this City now."

Let us see.

### VII. A LIST OF SOME OF THE MORE NOTORIOUS DENS INFESTED BY "FIENDS."

The following list embraces some of the more notorious and most easily located re-

by Keating and his partner, Elliott, but not closed to their friends or patrons.

LOVELEY'S COTTAGE, in rear of 607 Pine street with entrance on Dupont street. Owned and rented by Noble Loveley. An old-time rendezvous for the "fiends."

711 STOCKTON STREET, a notorious "joint" for the "gang."

1300 STOCKTON STREET, second floor, over the Bay State Market. This is frequented by white girls and their male partners. A notorious place.



THE CARTOON THAT EXCITED ALL CHINATOWN.

[The figure with uplifted hand, on the extreme right of the picture, is supposed to be Lay Wing, the Chinese Consul's adviser. The next figure, with plate in hand, represents the Consul-General himself in the act of taking contributions. The small box in the foreground represents the safe in the consulate. The two kneeling figures nearest the Consul, gathering round the lettering, are "Lee Li Tong bribed the Consul" and "Lo Bak Tong, president Sam Yup Company." The other figures are designated in the picture as "Chong Wah, \$500," "See Wah, \$1000," "Chee Chong, \$1000," the dollars being the amount of their alleged contributions. The translation of the inscription on the bottom of the cartoon is, "Whosoever reads this must think carefully, and do not hide your conscience in judging this matter. Then you will prosper." On the left side of the picture the inscription reads, "San Francisco, Cal. A new issue of ancient and modern peculiar scenes." In the upper right hand corner is the name of the artist, "Lo Fow San, the Mountain of Art."]

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### A Small Fire.

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