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SWEET ELDER. Beside the crumbling garden wall, Beneath the towering maple trees, Along the hedge where apples fall And yellow bells invite the bees, I cling and climb In summer time, And yield a store of rich perfume For all who love sweet elder bloom.

I spring up where the cattle roam, And make the desert places green, Where corn and clover find a home I fill the furrows in between. My feet are strong My runners long, And though I seem a slender reed, And hold no comfort do I need.

I love the atmosphere of June, The fields when they are fully dressed, The birds that sing the sweetest tune Come unto me to find a nest; And little girls With flowing curls Come hither in the heated hours And play within my shady bowers.

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THE Peking Gazette's Old Age and Its Two Editions. Though the recent massacres occurred many weeks ago, and European powers have taken steps to avenge the missionaries, nothing has been reported in regard to the opinion of the Chinese press concerning those bloody and important occurrences.

The oldest and most important of the Chinese newspapers, the Peking Gazette, dates from the eighth century. It is a kind of bulletin of laws and official organ, publishing the details relative to every movement and incident in the imperial court.

These communications are furnished to the editor of the Gazette by the functionaries of the palace; they are set up with an infinite care, and are printed only after having been revised and corrected very minutely.

These newspapers were founded by Europeans, who were, in fact, only nominally in charge, the real inspirations and editors of these independent sheets being literati, mandarins anxious to place themselves beyond the reach of imperial persecutions.

The Shanghai News, which is the type of Chinese independent papers, is sold for 1 cent a number. It contains an editorial similar to a magazine article, well studied, well written and treating of political and social questions.

He Knew His Lung. An eminent Scotch surgeon and professor in the University of Edinburgh was entirely devoted to his profession.

Reminded a Criminal. The Bavarian minister at Berné is likely to feel a good deal of natural resentment against the Swiss police force for some time to come.

An Entertaining Chapter. Did you see a chap with you at the opera? Clara—Yes, I did, and I shall not take one again, either.

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