

is fond of its fragrance and plants this flower. According to the *Kwan čou t'u kin* 廣州圖經 ('Gazetteer of Kwan-tun Province'), oil of jasmine is imported on ships; for the Hu gather the flowers to press from them oil, which is beneficial for leprosy 麻風.¹ When this fatty substance is rubbed on the palm of the hand, the odor penetrates through the back of the hand."

¹ According to the Arabs, it is useful as a preventive of paralysis and epilepsy (LECLERC, *l. c.*).