

learn that at a clerical conference lately held by the New Westminster Clerical Society, amongst other matters, work among the Chinese was fully discussed, and upon this subject the experience of Mr. Grundy, who has labored for many years amongst the Chinese, both in China and in Canada, was found to be very helpful. It is hoped that he will not only meet with much success in Victoria, but will, also, before long, be given the entire oversight of Chinese mission work on the mainland.

Of China we quote the following.—“It is becoming very plain that a rapid change is passing over China, and one, all the more significant, from the fact that the emperor and his household share it. During the past winter the emperor procured for his own information about a hundred Christian books, largely the publications of the Society for the diffusion of Christian and General Knowledge. The empress dowager, also, recently announced that, by request of foreign women residing in the empire, she would make arrangements to give audience to a large number of them in the royal palace.” The reason for this is not far to seek when we read what Bishop Corfe, of Corea, says:—“During the last sixty years England has raised up a wonderful sphere of influence in all parts of China, and in Japan, and in Corea, by means of her magistrates, and consuls, and missionaries. The justice and uprightness of those persons has been a wonderful object-lesson to the heathen amongst whom they have lived. If Englishmen, generally, knew the far east as I do, and had seen the power which England has there, not by reason of her magnificent navy or her enterprising merchants, but by reason of her civilization and her christianity, they would understand the Eastern question a great deal better.”

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We, who know the Bishop of Algoma so well, must rejoice at the announcement in the Provincial pages of the August issue of the LEAFLET—“Algoma Diocesan Branch,” Algoma is now, in fact, one of us, and we gladly join in the heartfelt joy and best wishes expressed for Bishop and Mrs. Thornl  e and our Auxiliary sisters in Algoma.