

heathen rites. There is much need for our constant and earnest prayers that these powers of darkness may give way before the light of the Gospel."

A visit to one of the cities of the Coast during the Chinese New Year (which lasts about two weeks), would *loudly* emphasize the need of educating and enlightening the Celestial as to the one living and true God, the spirit of light and truth.

If, in the midst of the din of Chinatown, one could think rationally at all, our practical minds would be horrified at the enormous amount of money spent for fire-crackers to chase away evil spirits, and yet literally miles of them are burned every year.

A prominent Chinese merchant of Vancouver, a few years ago casually remarked to a friend, that during that New Year