## THE CANADIAN DAV-STAR.

"I am the light of the world." "Preach the Gospel to every creature."-JESUS.

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## SUBJECTS FOR CONSIDERATION.

God has endowed man with power of thought. He is capable of considering, reflecting, pondering. Consequently God requires the exercise of our thinking faculties; and they can be strengthened and developed only by exercise. The proper use of our mental powers tends to exalt the intellect over the passions, the mind over the body; while the subjects which God calls on us to consider, are fitted to revolutionize the character, to impart and sustain spiritual health, moral beauty, and sublime peace and happiness.

Calls and exhortations to consideration bestud the pages of the Bible as stars the vault of heaven. The Jews deprived themseives of peace and prosperity by refusing to hearken unto God. Because they despised the teachings of God through his prophets, and walked in their own ways, sought their own pleasure, their land was desolated with judgments. When God speaks, man should listen, attentively consider, and seriously reflect. This our loving God most earnestly desires. "O that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would consider their latter end."

I. We should consider that there is another state of existence on which we shall enter when our earthly race is finished. That there is a future state is one of the common beliefs of the race. Peoples unblessed with the heavenly light of revelation, have had imperfect and erroneous conceptions of the state after death. The Bible, however, throws a flood of light on the subject of the great Futurity. It tells of a bright and blessed heaven, and of a dark and dismal hell.