

THE CANADIAN DAY-STAR.

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

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THE WORK OF THE SPIRIT.

Deep were the emotions and ardent were the longings of the Redeemer's heart for the salvation of the people of Jerusalem when he said, "O that thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong to thy peace, but now they are hid from thine eyes." A Christian poet sings of the Redeemer's tears in the following strain.

"He wept alone, and men passed on—the men whose woes he bore,—
They saw the Man of Sorrows weep, they had seen him weep before.
They asked not who those tears were for, they asked not whence they flowed.

Those tears were for rebellious man— their source the heart of God!
They fell upon this desert earth, like drops from heaven on high,
Struck from an ocean-tide of love, that fills eternity.
With love and tenderness divine those crystal cells o'erflow—
Tis God that weeps, through human eyes, for human guilt and woe!

There are things that belong to the peace of men. There were things which belonged to the peace of these Jerusalem sinners; and the reason why they did not enjoy peace was because they were wilfully and criminally ignorant of these things. It was in opposition to the wish of Jesus that they were destitute of peace. Jesus would have saved them, but they would not be saved.

What are the things that belong to the peace of men? Ever since we have been capable of thinking on religious subjects, it has