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I.

Some plants, as the *CAMELLIA*, require much light, but can not endure the direct rays of the sun.

ALL the children of God—the most favored of them—have in this more or less resemblance to the camellia. They need light, much light, to perfect their blossoms, and to maintain their strength and beauty. But this light must come to them indirectly, through the influences of the Spirit, through ordinances, through ministrations, through readings. The dust and ashes of man's mortal frame will not permit him to endure more direct rays, from that resplendence

in which his God is throned. How can man, whose breath is in his nostrils, see



THE CAMELLIA.

God face to face, and live! It was needful even for Moses, to whom God