

importance, derived in great measure from that intercourse which he had been led to cultivate with men of distinguished piety, and of religious as well as general information."

Two thousand copies of this translation were immediately printed in Mohawk and English. Part of them were consigned to the care of Captain Norton; and under his direction copies were furnished to different stations in Upper Canada, and in the Ohio and Oneida county.

THE BLESSING OF GOD ON THE PERUSAL OF HIS WORD.

NO. II.

The late celebrated and excellent Mr. Wilberforce was, at the age of twenty-four, the gayest of the gay: not a vicious man, but peculiarly versed in what was called fashionable society; remarkable for his wit, as indeed he always was, though his wit afterwards became innocuous, under the blessed influence of Christian principles; one of the greatest songsters, and the "joy and crown of Doncaster races." He went to pay a visit to a sick relation at Nice, and was accompanied by Isaac Milner, afterwards Dean of Carlisle—a man a little older, and a little wiser, than himself. Mention was made, in their conversations, of an Evangelical Clergyman, a man devoted to his duties. In the course of their conversation respecting that individual, Wilberforce said, "Well, do you know, I think he carries things a great deal too far." Milner replied, "I think you would form a different estimate on this subject, were you carefully to peruse with me the whole of the New Testament."—"Do you think so?" said Wilberforce: "well, I will take you at your word, and read it through with pleasure." They were both elegant scholars; and I believe it was the Greek Testament which they read. However, they perused the

whole of the New Testament, as they travelled together to Nice; and the effect of that single perusal of one part of the records of Revelation was so blessed to Wilberforce, that he became revolutionized—he became a new man; and the witty songster, the joy and crown of Doncaster races, became the Christian senator, and the abolisher of the slave trade. We must doubtless attribute this change to the agency of the one holy and eternal Spirit; yet it is equally certain that the change was wrought through the instrumentality of that blessed book, which it is our high and delightful privilege to be united in circulating. And I would point to this circumstance, as in itself sufficient to prove that all Scripture is given by inspiration of God. Indeed I know not if there be any thing more important, than the noble testimony which this Society has so long borne, in the face of all the cavils of infidelity, that the Holy Scriptures are divine in their authority, true without any mixture of error in their contents, and calculated to render those who come under the power of the truth which they delineate, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.—*Speech of J. J. Gurney, Esq. 1834.*

DO I BELIEVE THE BIBLE?

From the Boston Recorder.

There is, probably, a much greater amount of practical unbelief, even among Christians, than we are generally aware. What would be the feelings of that father and mother, on discovering that their children are asleep, while the dwelling around them is wrapped in flames? Yet, they know that these same children are living in a condition, where, according to the Bible, the wrath of God abideth on them, and they are every moment exposed to the horrors of eternal death; yet they live on from day to day, perhaps in a state of calm