

his own character. The beauty of that holiness which is enshrined in the four brief biographies of the man of Nazareth, has done more, and will do more to regenerate the world, and bring it an everlasting righteousness, than all the other agencies put together. It has done more to spread his religion in the world, than all that has ever been written on the evidences of Christianity."

ANECDOTE OF DR. BLAIR.—The eloquent Blair, when concluding a public discourse, in which he had discanted with his usual ability on the amiableness of virtue, gave utterance to the following apostrophe: "*O virtue, if thou wert embodied, all men would love thee!*" His colleague, B. Walker, attended the same pulpit in the afternoon of the same day, and addressing the congregation, said: "My Reverend brother observed in the morning, that if virtue were embodied all men would love her. Virtue, my brethren has been embodied; but how was she treated? Did all men love her? No; she was despised and rejected of men, defamed, insulted, scourged, led to Calvary and crucified between two thieves!"

JEWS IN SYRACUSE.—The sons of Abraham have gathered into our city in greater numbers than in any place of its size with which we are acquainted. They number here more than a thousand. The recent erection of a synagogue, and its dedication, with the pompous ceremonies of their faith, manifested their numbers and efficiency quite to the surprise of our citizens. They are an industrious, orderly, and thrifty class, mostly engaged as elsewhere in trade, from the extensive merchant to the peripatetic pedler. We have observed a gradual tendency to a relaxation of rigidity in their own religious observances, and have been told by Mr. Newman, the missionary sustained here for a short time by the "American Society for Ameliorating the condition of the Jews," that there is no little of the spirit of inquiry respecting Christianity among them.—*Recorder.*

BLUNTNES REBUKED.—It is said of the Rev. Andrew Fuller, that he could rarely be faithful without being severe, and in giving reproof he was often betrayed into an intemperate zeal. Being at a meeting of ministers, he undertook to correct an erroneous opinion delivered by a brother, and he laid on his censures so heavily, that Dr Ryland called out vehemently, "Brother Fuller, brother Fuller, you can never admonish a brother, but you must take up a sledge-hammer and knock his brains out."

PIETY.—True religion whether in mode or substance, in matter or spirit, in form or power, is a native of the skies. It is heaven-born, heaven-descended, and heaven-destined. It came from God; and it leads to God. It is therefore the wisdom, the grace, and the power of God in every person who embraces it. Yet in all our zeal and contentions for the simplicity, appropriateness, and excellency of its forms, we should never forget the purity, the mildness, and the holiness of its spirit and its power.