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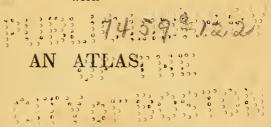


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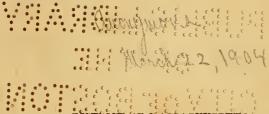
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PREFACE.

THE author of this little treatise on Scripture Geography has prepared it under the impression that a work of the kind was wanted, and, if well executed, would be useful. He is not acquainted with any treatise on the subject, that is at once concise, comprehensive, and well adapted to elementary instruction.

Some knowledge of the countries and places, in which the memorable transactions recorded in the Bible took place, cannot but be regarded as important; as it affords assistance in understanding the Scriptures, and in enabling one to read them with satisfaction and advantage; and the facts recorded are more firmly impressed on the mind by connecting them with the places where they occurred: yet this is a branch of learning which has been much neglected; and nothing is more common than to meet with well educated persons, who have little acquaintance with the subject.

As it is not the design of the Scriptures to instruct us in geography, matters of this sort are mentioned only incidentally; it therefore happens, on account of the remoteness of the time, and the want of other sources of information equally ancient, that there are many points relating to the geography of the Bible, which are attended with great uncertainty. It has been the design of the author of this treatise to follow the best guides, and to notice such matters as are most important; but he has avoided all discussion of doubtful topics.

The Outlines, and the accompanying Atlas, are designed to be used throughout in connection. The plan on which the work has been formed will be found simple; easy both to the instructer and pupil; and well adapted, it is hoped, to elementary instruction in schools and families.

The subject is treated, in a great measure, chronologically; the circumstances by which many of the places have been rendered memorable are briefly mentioned; and the nature of the work will render it useful in facilitating the study of Sacred History.

The Atlas, small as it is, will be found of great use in illustrating the subject. The different maps which have been published by different authors, for the illustration of the geography of the Scriptures, differ from each other in many particulars. The last five maps in this Atlas have been formed substantially from maps contained in Palmer's Bible Atlas.

** The pronunciation of the Scripture proper names is given according to Walker.

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SCRIPTURE GEOGRAPHY.

CHAPTER I.

Geography of the Early Ages; with Explanatory Remarks:

1. Scripture or Sacred Geography is that part of Ancient Geography, which treats of the countries

and places that are mentioned in the Bible.

2. The knowledge of geography possessed by the ancients, including the Greeks and Romans, as well as the Is'raelites, was limited chiefly to the south-western part of Asia, the northern part of Africa, and the middle and south of Europe; and it embraced much less than half of the globe.

3. The historical parts of the Scriptures relate almost wholly to the *Is'ra-el-ites*, and to nations whose history was, in some way, connected with

that of the Israelites.

4. No one of the four quarters of the world, as they are now understood, is mentioned in the Bible.

CHAPTER I.—Questions.

1. What is Scripture or Sacred Geography?

2. To what was the knowledge of geography possessed by the ancients, limited?

3. To what people do the historical parts of the Scrip-

tures relate?

4. Is either of the four quarters of the globe mentioned in the Bible?

5. The term A'sia, as used in the New Testament, sometimes denotes a small district round the city of Eph'e-sus, and sometimes the proconsular province of Asia, which comprised Mys'i-a, Phryg'i-a, Lyd'i-a, and Ca'ri-a; but never more than Asia Minor.

6. No one of the five great oceans of modern

geography, is mentioned in the Scriptures.

7. The Med-i-ter-ra'ne-an Sea is called in the Bible the Great Sea; and most of the countries mentioned in the Scriptures either bordered upon it, or were situated not far distant; some of the most remote were Chal-de'a, Per'sia, and Me'di-a.

8. The other seas, which are much spoken of, are the Red Sea, the Sea of Sodom or Dead Sea, and the Sea of Gal'i-lee; the two last of which are com-

paratively small.

- 9. The three great rivers, which are found within the limits of that portion of the globe which is embraced by Scripture Geography, are the *Nile* in Africa, and the *Eu-phra'tes* and *Ti'gris* in Asia.
- 10. The Euphra'tes is sometimes styled, in the Bible, the Eu-phra'tes, and sometimes simply The River.
- 11. The Tigris is commonly supposed to be the same as the *Hid'de-kel*, mentioned in Genesis.

7. What is said of the Mediterranean Sea?

8. What other seas are spoken of?

10. What is the Euphrates styled? 11. The Tigris?

^{5.} What does the term Asia denote in the New Testament?

^{6.} Is either of the five great oceans mentioned in the Scriptures?

^{9.} What rivers are found within the limits of Scripture Geography?

12. The Nile is sometimes called the Si'hor, sometimes the River of Egypt, and sometimes simply The River.

13. Scripture Geography has scarcely any connection with Eu'rope, except as it respects the il-

lustration of the travels of St. Paul.

14. Most of the places mentioned in the book of Genesis, before the migration of the Israelites into Egypt, were situated in the south-western part of Asia.

15. From that time, *Egypt*, and the country lying between it and the land of Canaan, were the scenes of most of the transactions recorded by Moses.

- 16. The Land of Ca'naan then became the scene of most of the events contained in the history of both the Old Testament and the New; and this country included more than half of all the places mentioned in the Bible.
- 17. Almost all the countries and places which are mentioned in ancient history, have been known by different names in different ages; and the greater part of those which are spoken of in the Old-Testament, had assumed new names before the New Testament was written.

12. What is the Nile styled?

13. What connection has Scripture Geography with

Europe?

15. What were the scenes of the subsequent events

recorded by Moses?

16. What country afterwards became the scene of most of the events recorded in the Bible?

^{14.} Where were most of the places mentioned in the book of Genesis, before the migration of Jacob and his family, situated?

^{17.} What is said respecting the changes which have taken place with regard to geographical names?

18. With respect to the situation of a number of places rendered memorable by transactions recorded in the Old Testament, there is great uncertainty; and men of learning differ much in their opinion respecting them.

19. Various opinions have been entertained by learned men respecting the situation of the *Garden* of *Eden*; and many have supposed the account of it is not to be understood literally, but allegorically

or figuratively.

20. The most common supposition, of those who have undertaken to assign it a particular place, is, that it was situated near the confluence of the *Eu-phra'tes* and *Ti'gris*, or near the sources of these rivers.

21. Respecting the situation of O'phir, the country from which Solomon obtained gold, there has been much learned inquiry, and various opinions have been maintained; but it is commonly supposed to have been situated on the eastern side

of Africa, or in the East Indies.

22. The situation of Tar'shish, or Thar'shish, has furnished another topic of learned discussion, and has given rise to a great variety of opinions. Some of the suppositions respecting it are, that it was the same as Tarsus in Cilicia, Car'thage and Tunis in Africa, and Tar-tes'sus in Spain; and also that it means the sea or ocean in general.

^{18.} What is said respecting the situation of some memorable places?

^{19.} What is remarked respecting the Garden of

^{20.} What is a common supposition respecting its situation?

^{21.} What is said respecting the situation of Ophir?
22. What is remarked of Tarshish or Tharshish?

- 23. It has also been supposed that there were two places or countries so called, one in the Mediterranean, and the other on the east side of Africa, or in the East Indies.
- 24. The ark of Noah, after the waters of the flood began to diminish, is said, in Genesis, to have 'rested upon the mountains of Ar'a-rat.'
- 25. A mountain in Ar-me'ni-a, now known by the name of Ar'a-rat, is supposed by many to be the mountain on which the ark rested; but some suppose it was a summit of the chain of Cau'ca-sus, between the Black and Caspian seas; others, a summit of Taurus, in the eastern part of Asia Minor; and others, that it was a mountain near the sources of the river Indus.

26. The three sons of Noah, by whom the world was peopled after the flood, were *Shem*, *Ham*, and

Japheth.

27. The residence of Noah and his posterity, till after the dispersion at Ba'bel, is supposed to have been in the country watered by the Eu-phra'-tes and the Ti'gris.

28. The tower of Ba'bel was erected on the Euphrates, on or near the site where the city of

Bab'y-lon was afterwards built.

27. Where is the residence of Noah and his family

supposed to have been?

^{23.} What other supposition has been made?

^{24.} Where is the ark of Noah said to have rested?
25. What is supposed to have been the mountain on which the ark rested?

^{26.} Who were the three sons of Noah, by whom the world was peopled after the flood?

^{28.} Where was the tower of Babel erected?

29. From this point the human race were dis-

persed over different parts of the earth.

30. This position, which may be regarded as the second cradle of the human race, is nearly central, as it respects the residence of the most ancient nations of which we have any knowledge, namely, the Bab-y-lo'ni-ans or Chal-de'ans, As-syr'-ians, Per'sians, Hin-doos', He'brews, Ca'naan-ites, Phæ-ni'cians, and E-gyp'tians.

31. The posterity of Shem is supposed to have peopled the greater part of Asia; that of Japheth, Europe and Asia Minor; and that of Ham, Africa, and part of the south-west portion of Asia.

32. Of the sons of Shem, Ar-phax'ad is supposed to have resided in the country near the Eu-phra'tes; Ash'er, to have been the founder of Nin'-e-veh and the empire of As-syr'i-a; E'lam, to have given name to the country of Elam, afterwards Per'-sia; and A'ram, to the country of A'ram or Syr'i-a.

33. Of the sons of Ham, Miz'ra-im was the reputed founder of the kingdom of Egypt, sometimes called in the Bible the Land of Miz'ra-im and the Land of Ham; Cush, the father of the E-thi-o'pi-ans; and Ca'naan, the father of the Ca'naan-ites.

34. The foundation of Bab'y-lon is ascribed to Nim'rod, the son of Cush.

29. What here took place?

^{30.} What is said of this position, with relation to the most ancient nations?

^{31.} What parts of the globe are the three sons of Noah supposed to have peopled?

^{32.} What is mentioned respecting several sons of Shem?

^{33.} What of the sons of Ham?

^{34.} To whom is the foundation of Babylon ascribed?

- 35. Ja'van, one of the sons of Ja'pheth, is commonly supposed to have been the father of the Greeks.
- 36. The Greeks themselves maintained that Jap'e-tus, whose name has a near resemblance to that of Japheth, was the father of their nation, and of all mankind.
- 37. A'bra-ham was a descendant of Ar-phax'ad, the eldest son of Shem; and he and his posterity are supposed to have been called Hebrews, either from Eber or Heber, the grandson of Arphax'ad, and the ancestor of Abraham, or because they came from beyond the river Euphra'tes into Ca'naan; the word in the original signifying beyond, or from the other side.

38. Abraham was born at *Ur of the Chaldees*, which some suppose to have been situated not far from Bab'ylon; others believe it to have been on the site of the modern town of *Ourfa*, north of west from Nineveh; and others place it much fur-

ther to the east.

39. Te'rah, the father of A'braham, was a wor-

shipper of idols, like his countrymen.

40. A'bra-ham, together with his father, his wife Sarah, and his nephew Lot, left Ur, and took up his abode, for a while, at Haran.

^{35.} Who is supposed to have been the father of the Greeks?

^{36.} Whom did the Greeks consider as the father of their nation?

^{37.} From whom was Abraham descended, and why were he and his posterity called Hebrews?

^{38.} Where was Abraham born?

^{40.} Where did Abraham to'le ip his residence after leaving Ur?

41. While at this place, he was called by God to leave his country and his kindred, to go into the land of Ca'naan, which was promised to his posterity.

42. Although he had much property in cattle and servants, he did not acquire any permanent possession in Canaan, but sojourned at several different places.

43. Some time after his arrival in the country, he was obliged, on account of a severe famine, to

retire, for a while, into Egypt.

44. On his return, he pitched his tent between Beth'el and A'i.

45. As Abraham and his nephew Lot, who accompanied him to Ca'naan, possessed large flocks, and therefore could not conveniently dwell together, Lot retired to the plain of Sod'om, and Abraham

to the plain of Mam're, near He'bron.

46. Hebron and its vicinity became the more common residence of the patriarch and his family; and in the cave of *Mach-pe'lah*, in the plain of Mamre, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, together with their wives, were buried.

47. Abraham, however, did not, after this, resided constantly at *Hebron*, but sojourned for a while at *Ge'rar*, the city of Abimelech, in the country of the Philistines, and also at *Be-er'she-ba*,* where Ish'ma-el was horn.

^{41.} What call did he receive while at this place?

^{42.} In what manner did he reside in Canaan?

^{43.} To what country did he retire for a time? 44. Where did he pitch his tent on his return?

^{45.} What is mentioned respecting Abraham and Lot?

^{46.} What is remarked of Hebron and its vicinity?

^{47.} At what other places did Abraham reside?

^{*}Be-er'she-ba, Walker; Beer'she-ba, Oliver, and Fulton and Knight; Beer-she'ba, Perry.

48. He'bron, Ge'rar and Be-er'she-ba were also, at different times, the residences of Isaac.

49. Jacob, after having resided about twenty years with his father-in-law, La'ban, at Ha'ran, returned with his family and flocks to Ca'naan.

50. At Ma-ha-na'im he was met by his brother Esau, and also by an angel, and had his name

changed to Is'ra-el.

51. Having resided a while at Suc'coth, on the east side of the Jordan, he then crossed the river,

and took up his abode near She'chem.

- 52. He next journeyed to Beth'el, where he had seen a vision before he went to Haran. Afterwards he removed to He'bron; and, finally, after Joseph had revealed himself to his brethren, he migrated, by way of Beersheba, with his whole family, into Egypt.
 - 48. At what places did Isaac reside?
 - 49. What is mentioned respecting Jacob? 50. What happened to him at Mahanaim?
 - 51. Where did he afterwards reside?
 - 52. What were his subsequent movements?

Questions on the Map, exhibiting the Countries mentioned in the Old Testament. No. I.

1. How was Egypt or Mizraim situated? 2. Pathros?

3. Cush or Ethiopia? 4. Goshen?

5. How was Arabia situated? 6. Midian? 7. Hav'ilah? 8. Canaan? 9. Amalek? 10. Edom? 11. Aram or Syria? 12. Mesopotamia? 13. Padan-Aram? 14. Armenia? 15. Assyria? 16. Babylonia or Chaldea? 17. Shinar? 18. Elam or Persia? 19. Parthia? 20. Meshech? 21. Magog? 22. Ash'kenaz? 23. Javan?

24. What countries were watered by the Nile? 25. What by the Euphrates and Tigris? 26. The Ulai? 27. How is Mount Sinai situated? 28. Fount Ararat?

29. How was Babylon situated? 30. Nineveh? 31. Susa or Shushan? 32. Calneh? 33. Car'chemish?

CHAPTER II.

The Region between Egypt and Canaan: Journeyings of the Israelites.

1. The country lying between Egypt and Ca'-naan, and between the Red Sea and the Mediterranean, consists mostly of extensive deserts, having few streams of water; and it now forms a part of what is called *A-ra'bi-a Pe-træ'a* or *Stony*.

2. In this region the Israelites passed 40 years.

3. Their route from Egypt to Canaan is differently delineated on different maps. The positions of most of the places of encampment, which are all enumerated in the thirty-third chapter of Numbers, are laid down on maps from no better authority than probable conjecture.

4. The Red Sea, of which only the northern extremities appear on the Map (No. II.), is about 1400 miles in length, and 200, where widest, in

breadth.

5. Esau was called *Edom*, which, in Hebrew, signifies *red*, because he sold his birthright for a

CHAPTER II.—Questions.

- 1. What is said of the country lying between Egypt and Canaan?
 - 2. How many years did the Israelites pass here?3. What is mentioned respecting their route?
 - 4. What is the extent of the Red Sea?
 - 5. Why was it called the Red Sea?

^{34.} Haran or Charran? 35. Damascus? 36. Tadmor? 37. Hamath? 38. Tarshish? 39. Ezion-geber? 40. Nophror Memphis? 41. On?

mess of red pottage; and, as his posterity inhabited the country to the north of this sea, some suppose it was called, after his name, the Red Sea. Others suppose it was so called from its red sand; others, from coral; and others, from its waters being colored by small animalcules.

6. Mounts Si'nai and Ho'reb, celebrated in Scripture history, belong to a range which is situated between the northern branches of the Red Sea, in the midst of a gloomy desert, and contains

several lofty summits.

7. At Ho'reb God appeared to Moses in a burning bush, while he kept the flocks of his father-in-law Je'thro; and from Si'nai he received the law.

8. The summit of Sinai has been estimated at the height of 5,000 or 6,000 feet; and it affords an extensive prospect of the Red Sea and the ad-

jacent country.

- 9. On this summit there are now a Christian church and a Mahometan mosque; and near the bottom of the mountain a convent, from which to the top steps are cut in the rock, or formed by loose stones piled in succession.
- 10. The children of Israel sojourned in Egypt 215 years, reckoning from the time of the migration of Jacob and his family.

^{6.} How are mounts Sinai and Horeb situated?

^{7.} What memorable events took place at these mountains?

^{8.} What is said of the summit of Sinai?

^{9.} What are now found on the summit and near the bottom?

^{10.} How long did the children of Israel sojourn in Egypt?

11. During this period, they were reduced to cruel bondage; but, notwithstanding the oppression which they endured, they increased so rapidly, that, at the end of it, the number of men, exclusive of women and children, amounted to 600,000.

12. After a variety of grievous plagues had been inflicted upon Egypt, the Israelites were, at length, delivered from Egyptian bondage in a miraculous manner, by Moses, who had previously

resided 40 years in Midian.

13. Having passed over the western branch of the Red Sea on dry ground, they commenced their journey through the wilderness, in order to take possession of the land of Ca'naan, which had been promised to Abraham.

14. They passed through the sea at Ba-al-ze'phon, and encamped in the wilderness at Ma'rah, where the waters, which were bitter, were made

sweet.

15. Their next place of encampment was E'lim, where there were twelve wells of water and sev-

enty palm-trees.

16. From Elim they proceeded to Reph'i-dim, through the Wilderness or Desert of Sin, passing by Doph'ka and A'lush; and in this wilderness they began to be fed with manna, which was continued till they entered Canaan.

11. What is said respecting their increase?

13. What is mentioned respecting the commencement of their journey?

15. What was their next place of encampment?

16. What events next took place?

^{12.} By whom were they delivered from Egyptian bondage?

^{14.} Where did they pass through the sea, and where did they encamp?

- 17. At a place called *Mas'sah*, or *Mer'i-bah*, Moses procured water for the people by smiting a rock in *Horeb*.
- 18. Not far distant, at a place called Je-ho'vah-nis'si, the Am'a-lek-ites attacked the Israelites, but were entirely defeated.

19. Near this place Moses received a visit from Je'thro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian, who

brought to him his wife and children.

20. At Mount Sinai, the Law, containing the Ten Commandments, was delivered to Moses.

21. After the memorable transactions at Sinai, the Israelites proceeded to Tab'e-rah, Kib'roth-Hat-ta'a-vah, and to Ha-ze'roth; at the last of which places Aa'ron and Mir'i-am were guilty of sedition against Moses.

22. From Ha-ze'roth, they proceeded through the Desert of Pa'ran, or Ka'desh, to Rith'mah, near

Ka'desh-Bar'ne-a.

- 23. From this place twelve men, one of each tribe, were sent to search or spy out the land of Ca'naan.
- 24. All these twelve men, except Josh'u-a and Ca'leb, brought back an unfavorable report respecting the country; on account of which the Israelites were disheartened, and resolved to return to Egypt.

20. What took place at Mount Sinai?

^{17.} What took place at Massah, or Meribah? 18. At Jehovah-nissi?

^{19.} From whom did Moses receive a visit near this place?

^{21.} To what places did they proceed after the transactions at Sinai?

^{22.} To what place did they then proceed?

^{23.} What measure was adopted near Kadesh-Barnea? 24. What report did these twelve men bring back

respecting the country?

25. This conduct of the people so excited against them the displeasure of God, that he decreed that all who were then twenty years old and upwards, except Joshua and Caleb, should die in the wilderness.

26. They made a long stay in Ka'desh; and here the rebellion of Ko'rah, Da'than, and A-bi'-

ram, took place.

27. On leaving the neighborhood of Ka'desh-Bar'nea, they proceeded to Sha'pher, by Rim'mon-Pa'rez, Lib'nah, Ris'sah, and Ke-hel'a-thah.

28. From Sha'pher, they journeyed to Mo-se'roth, near the Red Sea, by Har'a-dah, Mak-he'-loth, Ta'hath, Ta'rah, and Mith'cah.

29. From Mo-se'roth, they proceeded to E'zion-geber, at the northern extremity of the eastern branch of the Red Sea, by Ben'i-Ja'a-kan, Horha-gid'gad, Jot'ba-thah, and E-bro'nah.

30. From Ezion-geber, they journeyed to the Wilderness of Zin, or Ka'desh (where Miriam

died), to a place named Mer'i-bah.

31. At this place, Moses obtained water by smiting a rock; but, on account of his offence here, in "speaking unadvisedly," he was not permitted to enter Canaan.

32. They next encamped at Mount Hor, and on the top of this mountain, at a place called Mose'ra, Aa'ron died, in the fortieth year after leaving Egypt.

26. What took place in Kadesh?

31. What took place at Meribah? 32. At Mount Hor?

^{25.} What was the consequence of this conduct of the people?

^{27.} To what place did they proceed from Kadesh? 28. To what from Shapher? 29. To what from Moseroth? 30. To what from Ezion-geber?

33. After departing from Mount Hor, many of the people died by being bitten by fiery serpents.

34. Their next places of encampment were Zal-mo'nah, Pu'non, O'both, I-je-ab'ar-nim, Di'bon-gad, and Al'mon-Dib-la-tha'im.

35. Sihon, king of the Am'o-rites, refusing to permit the Israelites to pass through his dominions,

was totally defeated at Ja'haz.

36. Og, king of Bashan, was destroyed, with his whole army, by the Israelites, at Ed're-i.

37. After these victories, the Israelites encamp-

ed on the Plains of Moab.

- 38. Balak, king of Moab, together with the princes of Mid'i-an, sent to Ba'laam, a soothsayer of the city of Pe'thor, on the Euphra'tes, to curse the Israelites.
- 39. Moses divided the territories which belonged to Sihon and Og between the tribes of *Rew'ben* and *Gad*, and the half tribe of *Ma-nas'seh*.
- 40. Moses, having finished his instructions and exhortations to his people, ascended the mountain of Ne'bo and the summit of Pis'gah, took a view of the promised land, and afterwards died.

41. The Israelites, under the command of Joshua, the successor of Moses, then passed over the

37. Where did the Israelites encamp after these

victories?

38. What next took place?

^{33.} What took place after leaving Mount Hor? 34. What were their next places of encampment?

^{35.} What took place with respect to Sihon? 36. What respecting Og?

^{39.} How did Moses dispose of the territories of Sihon and Og?

^{40.} What is further related of Moses?

^{41.} What was next accomplished by the Israelites?

Jordan at Gil'gal, took the city of Jer'i-cho, conquered the nations of Ca'naan, and divided their lands among their tribes.

CHAPTER III.

The Canaanites and neighboring Nations.

1. In the time of Moses and Joshua, the land of Canaan was inhabited by seven nations, the descendants of Canaan, namely, the Am'o-rites, Jeb-u-sites, Hit'tites, Per'iz-zites, Gir'ga-shites, Ca-naan-ites, and Hi'vites.

Questions on the Map of the Journeyings of the Israelites from Egypt to Canaan. No. II.

1. How are mounts Sinai and Horeb situated?

2. What deserts or wildernesses are situated between the northern branches of the Red Sea? 3. What ones further north?

4. How was Baalzephon situated? 5. Ezion-geber? 6. Rephidim? 7. Marah and Elim? 8. Jehovah-nissi? 9. Massah, or Meribah? 10. Kadesh-Barnea? 11. Rissah? 12. Kadesh Meribah? 13. Mount Hor? 14. Mounts Nebo and Pisgah?

15. How was Edom situated? 16. Moab? 17. The kingdom of Sihon? 18. The kingdom of Og? 19. The

Amalekites?

20. What nations inhabited to the west of the Dead Sea and the Jordan?

CHAPTER III.—Questions.

1. By what seven nations was the land of Canaan inhabited in the time of Moses and Joshua?

- 2. All these nations the Israelites were commanded to exterminate, on account of their great wickedness.
- 3. The most powerful of these seven nations were the *Amorites*, who had extended their conquests to the east of the Jordan, where the kingdom of Sihon was situated.
- 4. Besides these, there were, in Canaan, or on its borders, six other nations, with whom the Israelites, at various times, maintained severe conflicts.

5. These six nations were the Phi-lis'tines, Mid'i-an-ites, Mo'ab-ites, Am'mon-ites, Am'a-lek-

ites, and E'dom-ites.

6. The *Phi-lis'tines* are supposed to have been descended from Miz'raim, the son of Ham, and to have emigrated from Egypt.

7. They inhabited the south-west part of Canaan, and were very formidable enemies to the Israelites;

but were subdued by David.

8. Their five chief cities were Ga'za, Ash'dod,

As'ca-lon, Gath, and Ek'ron.

- 9. Two different places are assigned as the territory of the *Mid'i-an-ites*; and some suppose that the inhabitants of the two different countries were of different origin.
 - 10. The southern Mid'i-an-ites inhabited the

5. What were these six nations?

^{2.} Why were the Israelites commanded to exterminate these nations?

^{3.} Which of these seven nations was the most powerful?

^{4.} What is said respecting six other bordering nations?

^{6.} What was the origin of the Philistines?7. What is further said of them?

^{7.} What is further said of them?
8. What were their chief cities?

^{9.} What is said of the Midianites?

^{10.} Where did the southern Midianites dwell?

country near the north-east point of the Red Sea; and here Je'thro, the father-in-law of Moses, was priest.

11. They are supposed by some to have been

descended from Cush, the son of Ham.

12. The northern *Midianites* were descended from *Midian*, the fourth son of Abraham by Ketu-rah, and inhabited the country on the east of the Dead Sea.

13. They were almost wholly destroyed by Joshua; and afterwards, when they had again recovered their strength, they were nearly annihilated

by Gid'eon.

14. The *Moabites* and *Ammonites* were the descendants of *Moab* and *Ammon*, the sons of *Lot*, and dwelt to the east of the Dead Sea and of the Jordan.

15. They were repeatedly engaged in war with the Israelites, and were conquered by David.

16. The chief city of Moab was Ar, or Rab'bath-

Mo'ab; and of Ammon, Rab'bath-Am'mon.

17. The Am'a-lek-ites were the descendants of Am'a-lek, the son of El'i-phaz, and grandson of Esau.

18. They dwelt to the south of Canaan, and were very formidable enemies to the Israelites.

13. By whom were they destroyed?

^{11.} From whom are they supposed to have been descended?

^{12.} What is said of the origin and residence of the northern Midianites?

^{14.} What is said of the origin and residence of the Moabites and Ammonites?

^{15.} By whom were they conquered?16. What were their chief cities?

^{17.} From whom were the Amalekites descended?

^{18.} Where did they dwell?

19. They were doomed to destruction, which was commenced by Saul, and completed by David.

20. The E'dom-ites were the descendants of

Esau, who was also called Edom.

- 21. They inhabited the country which was situated to the south-east of Canaan, and which was called E'dom, and also I-du-me' α , and included the mountains of Seir and Hor.
- 22. In the north-west part of Canaan, on the borders of the tribe of Asher, were the Phœnician cities of *Tyre* and *Sidon*, which were very ancient, and celebrated for commerce.

23. Sidon was founded by Sidon, the son of Canaan; and at Tyre reigned Hiram, who furnished Solomon with many materials for the temple.

24. To the north-east of Ca'naan was Da-mas'cus, once the capital of the kingdom of Syr'i-a, and one of the most ancient cities in the world, celebrated both in sacred and profane history.

25. Damascus gave name to the damascene or damson plum, the damask rose, and damask linens

and silks.

26. The Syrians were conquered by David, but were afterwards repeatedly engaged in war with the Israelites, particularly under their kings Ben'ha-dad, Haz'a-el, and Rezin.

21. Where did they reside?

^{19.} By whom were they destroyed?

^{20.} From whom were the Edomites descended?

^{22.} Where were Tyre and Sidon situated? 23. What is said of them?

^{24.} What is said of Damascus?

^{25.} To what has Damascus given name?

^{26.} What is related of the Syrians?

CHAPTER IV.

Canaan divided among the Tribes of Israel: Places of Note in the History of the Old Testament.

1. After the conquest of Canaan by the Israelites, the country was divided among the Twelve

Tribes by lot.

2. The tribe of Levi, or the Levites, being consecrated to the priesthood, received no inheritance or portion of territory with the other tribes, but were supported by tithes; and for their residence there were assigned to them forty-eight cities, which were dispersed throughout all the tribes.

3. The posterity of E'phra-im and Ma-nas'seh, the two sons of Joseph, had portions assigned them as distinct tribes, in consequence of Jacob's having adopted them; and these two are reckoned, in the divisions, instead of Joseph and Levi.

4. The tribes of *Reuben* and *Gad* and half of *Manasseh*, had their portion beyond, or on the east side of, the *Jordan*; and all the others on the

west side of the river.

5. The Tabernacle and Ark of the covenant were first fixed at Gil'gal; but, before the death of Joshua, they were removed to Shi'loh, where they remained till the time of Eli.

CHAPTER IV .- Questions.

1. How was the land of Canaan divided?

2. What is related respecting the tribe of Levi?
3. What respecting Ephraim and Manasseh?

4. What tribes were situated to the east of the Jordan?

5. At what places were the Tabernacle and Ark of the covenant first fixed?

6. The Ark was afterwards taken by the Philistines; and, when restored, it was lodged successively at Kir'jath-je'a-rim, at Nob, in the house of O-bed-e'dom, in the palace of David on mount Zion, and finally in Solomon's Temple.

7. It was regarded with the greatest veneration, and every place in which it was fixed, was, on

that account, esteemed particularly holy.

8. Joshua appointed six cities of refuge, three on each side of the Jordan, as places of security for the "slayer that killed any person unawares."

9. The three to the west of the Jordan were *He'bron* in Judah, *She'chem* in Ephraim, and *Ke'*-

desh in Naphtali.

10. The three on the east side were Be'zer in Reuben, Ra'moth-Gil'e-ad in Gad, and Go'lan in Manasseh.

11. The country included within the limits of the Twelve Tribes, is of small extent, not a third

part as large as the state of New York.

12. Dan was reputed the most northern city, and Be-er'she-ba the most southern; hence the proverbial phrase, to express the limits of the country, "From Dan to Beersheba."

13. During the reigns of *David* and *Solomon*, the most flourishing period of the nation, the limits of the

7. How was it regarded?

11. What is said of the extent of the country?

^{6.} At what other places was the Ark successively lodged?

^{8.} For what purpose did Joshua appoint six cities of refuge?

^{9.} Which three were west of the Jordan? 10. Which east?

^{12.} What is mentioned respecting Dan and Beersheba?
13. What was the extent of the kingdom during the reigns of David and Solomon?

kingdom were greatly enlarged, extending from the border of Egypt and the north end of the Red Sea, on the south-west and south, to the river Eu-

phra'tes, on the north-east.

14. After the death of Solomon, ten tribes revolted from his son and successor, Rehobo'am; and two kingdoms were formed, namely, the kingdom of Israel, consisting of the ten revolted tribes, and the kingdom of Judah, composed of the tribes of Judah and Benjamin.

15. The capital of the kingdom of Israel was Sa-ma'ri-a, in the tribe of E'phra-im, which was the most powerful of the Ten Tribes, and is sometimes used in the Bible for the whole kingdom.

16. This kingdom subsisted 254 years, at the end of which period the Ten Tribes were carried captive by Shal-man-e'ser, king of Assyria; and the country was afterwards inhabited by a mixed population.

17. The kingdom of Judah had for its capital the city of Jerusalem, and continued to be governed by kings of the family of David, till the time of the

Babylonish captivity.

Towns of Note in the History of the Old Testament.

18. In Judah; He'bron, celebrated in the history of the patriarchs, and the place where David reigned seven years; Bethile-hem, where David was born, and also our Savior; A-dul'lam and

^{14.} What took place after the death of Solomon?

^{15.} What was the capital of the kingdom of Israel, and which was the most powerful of the Ten Tribes?

^{16.} What is said of this kingdom?
17. What is said of the kingdom of Judah?

^{18.} What towns in Judah are mentioned, and for what celebrated?

En'ge-di, near which were caves, that afforded a retreat to David; Te-ko'ah, the town of the

prophet Amos.

19. On the borders of Judah and Benjamin was Jeru'salem, the residence of the kings of Judah, the seat of the temple, and the religious capital of the nation.

- 20. In Benjamin; Gil'gal, where the Israelites crossed the Jordan, and where the Ark of the covenant was, for a time, deposited; Jer'i-cho, famous for its siege and capture by Joshua, and for palmtrees; A'i, for its conquest by Joshua; Beth'el, for the vision of Jacob; Gib'e-on, the capital of the Gibeonites; Gib'e-ah, the birthplace of Saul.
- 21. In Simeon; Be-er'she-ba, noted in the history of the patriarchs, and for being the southernmost town of Israel; Gaza, in the country of the Philistines, famous in the history of Samson.

22. In Dan; Gath, a city of the Philistines, and

the birthplace of Goliah.

23. In Ephraim; Samaria, the capital of the kingdom of Israel; She'chem, or Si'chem, (in the New Testament, Sychar), noted in the history of Jacob, also for the last exhortation of Joshua to the Israelites, and for the tomb of Joseph; Tim-nath-se'rah, for the tomb of Joshua; Shi'loh, the place of the Ark of the covenant from the time of Joshua to the time of Eli; Joppa, (on the borders of Ephraim and Dan), the principal port of the Israelites.

^{19.} What is said of Jerusalem?

^{20.} What towns in Benjamin are mentioned, and for what celebrated? 21. In Simeon? 22. In Dan? 23. In Ephraim?

24. In Manasseh, west of Jordan; Tir'zah, famous for being for a time the seat of the kings of Israel; Me-gid'do, for the defeat and death of Josiah; Jez're-el, for a palace of Ahab, and for giving name to a large and fertile plain, called also the plain of Es-dra'e-lon.

25. In Issachar; Shu'nem, where Elisha re-

stored a child to life.

26. In Zebulon; Gath-he'pher, the native place

of the prophet Jonah.

27. On the west of Ash'er were the cities of Tyre and Sidon, famous for commerce; Zar'e-phath, or Sa-rep'ta, for the miracles of Elijah.

28. In Naphtali; Dan, noted as the northern-most city of Israel, and for being one of the places where Jeroboam set up his golden calves; Bethel being the other.

29. In Manasseh beyond Jordan; Ed're-i, fa-

mous for the defeat of Og, king of Bashan.

30. In Gad; Ra'moth-Gil'e-ad, memorable in the wars of the Israelites; Ma-ha-na'im, for the meeting of Jacob and Esau; Suc'coth, as the residence of Jacob.

31. In Reuben; Hesh'bon, a city of note among the Amorites, afterwards among the Israelites; Ja'haz, where Sihon was defeated.

^{24.} What towns in Manasseh west of Jordan are mentioned? 25. In Issachar? 26. In Zebulon? 27. On the west of Asher? 28. In Naphtali? 29. In Manasseh beyond Jordan? 30. In Gad? 31. In Reuben?

CHAPTER V.

Physical Geography of the Holy Land, or a Description of the Country.

1. This country was first called the Land of Canaan, from Canaan, the son of Ham; the Land of Promise, or the Promised Land, from its being promised by God to Abraham; the Land of Israel, from the Israelites; Judea, from Judah, the principal of the twelve tribes; Palestine, from the Philistines, who inhabited the south-west part of it; and the Holy Land, from its being the scene of the greater part of the transactions recorded in the Bible, and particularly of the birth, life, miracles, and sufferings of our Savior.

2. It is also repeatedly called in the Bible simply *The Land*. The names which have, in modern times, been most commonly applied to it, are the

Holy Land and Palestine.

3. The Israelites esteemed this country as holy; and all other countries they regarded as profane, the very dust of which would contaminate one of their nation.

4. The face of the country is beautifully diversified with mountains, hills, valleys, and plains.

CHAPTER V.—Questions.

1. By what different names has the Holy Land been called?

2. What names have been commonly applied to it in

modern times?

3. How did the Israelites regard this and other countries?

4. What is said of the face of the country?

5. The climate is excellent; the cold seldom excessive; the heat of summer is great, but mitigated by a periodical breeze.

6. Rain seldom falls here, except in the spring and autumn; but the deficiency is, in a measure,

supplied by abundant dews.

7. The Scriptures, in describing the fruitfulness of this country, characterize it as "a land flowing

with milk and honey."

8. In modern times, many parts of it have a desolate appearance, as the cultivation has generally been much neglected; but where it has been

well attended to, it is highly productive.

- 9. "Under a wise and beneficent government," says a recent traveller, "the produce of the Holy Land would exceed all calculation. Its perennial harvest; the salubrity of its air; its limpid springs; its rivers, lakes, and matchless plains; its hills and vales; all these, added to the serenity of its climate, prove this land to be indeed a field which the Lord hath blessed."
- 10. The Jor'dan, the celebrated river of Palestine, and the only considerable one in the country, is deep and rapid, but not wide. It rises near the foot of Mount Hermon; passes through lakes Merom and Gennesareth; and, after a southerly course of about 150 miles, flows into the Dead Sea.
- 11. Some of the other famous streams or rivulets of Palestine are the Ar'non, Jab'bok, Be'sor, So'rek and Ki'shon; also Ce'dron, or Kid'ron, noted for pas-

^{5.} What is said of the climate? 6. What respecting rain?

^{7.} How do the Scriptures characterize this country?

^{8.} What is its state in modern times?

^{9.} What is said of it by a recent traveller?

^{10.} What account is given of the Jordan?

^{11.} What other famous streams are there?

sing by Jerusalem, and Be'lus, near Ptolema'is, from the sand of which glass is said to have been first made.

12. The Dead Sea, called also the Sea of Sodom, the Salt Sea, and Lake As-phal-tites, is about 70 miles long, and from 10 to 18 broad.

13. It occupies the place where once stood the five cities of the plain, namely, Sod'om, Go-mor'rah, Ad'mah, Ze-bo'im, and Zo'ar; the first four of which were destroyed by fire from heaven.

14. It is surrounded by majestic and dreary mountains; and its vicinity is barren and cheerless. The water is clear, but uncommonly salt and bitter.

15. The Sea of Galilee, called also the lake of Gen-nes'a-reth and the Sea of Tibe'rias, and, in the Old Testament, the Sea of Chin'ne-reth, or Cin'ne-roth, is 17 miles long, and 6 broad.

16. This lake, which is celebrated in the gospel history, is environed by lofty eminences, and has a

beautiful and picturesque appearance.

17. Our Savior passed much of his time, during his ministry, in the vicinity of this lake, and it was here that several of his disciples were employed, in the early part of their lives, as fishermen.

18. Mount Leb'a-non, called by the Greeks and Latins Lib'a-nus, is a famous range of mountains on the north of Palestine. Its summits are

almost always covered with snow.

^{12.} What is the extent of the Dead Sea?13. What place does it occupy?14. What is further said of it?15. What are the length and breadth of the Sea of Galilee?

^{16.} What is said of it?

^{17.} What is mentioned respecting our Savior and his disciples in connection with this lake? 18. What is said of Mount Lebanon?

19. Lebanon is celebrated in Hebrew poetry, particularly for its magnificent cedars, some specimens of which still remain.

20. To the east of Lebanon is Anti-Lebanon; and to the south-east is Mount Hermon, the sum-

mit of which is usually covered with snow.

21. Mount Carmel, on the coast of the Mediterranean, was the retreat of the prophet Elijah, and has, in later times, been noted for monks, called Carmelites.

22. Mount Tabor, a conical mountain, to the south-west of the sea of Galilee, is commonly supposed to have been the scene of our Savior's

transfiguration.

23. The Mountains of Ephraim, or Israel, were situated in the central part of Palestine. An elevated summit of this range, situated not far from Jericho, and now called Quar-an-ta'ri-a, is supposed to have been the scene of the temptation.

24. North of Shechem was Mount E'bal; and to the south, Mount Ger'i-zim, famous for the

temple of the Samaritans.

25. Mount Gil'bo-a, south of the sea of Galilee,

is noted for the death of Saul and Jonathan.

26. The Mountains of Gilead, to the east of the Jordan, were famous for producing balm, or balsam, the dried juice of a tree, which was much used by the ancients as a medicine.

20. What mountains lie east and south-east of Leba-

non :

^{19.} For what is Lebanon celebrated in Hebrew poetry?

^{21.} What is said of Mount Carmel? 22. Mount Tabor? 23. The mountains of Ephraim? 24. Ebal and Gerizim? 25. Mount Gilboa? 26. Gilead?

- 27. To the north-east of Gilead was Ba'shan, famous for stately oaks, and for numerous herds of cattle.
- 28. To the south were the mountains of Ab'arim, from the summits of which, Ne'bo and Pis'gah,
 Moses had a view of the Promised Land.
- 29. To the south of Palestine is the mountainous range called *Seir*, with its summit, *Mount Hor*, on which Aaron died.
- 30. The country of Palestine, being mountainous and rocky, abounds in *caves*, which anciently afforded a refuge to the inhabitants.

31. David made the cave of A-dul'lam a place of retreat; and in the cave of En'ge-di, he con-

cealed himself, together with 600 men.

32. In a cave not far from Samaria, Obadi'ah hid a hundred prophets; and the cave of *Mach-pe'-lah*, near Hebron, is celebrated as the burying-place

of Abraham and his family.

33. Frequent mention is made in the Bible of wildernesses or deserts. Some of these, which belonged to Palestine, were barren, sandy plains; others were mountainous, and covered with trees or pasture.

34. The most celebrated desert in Palestine was the *Desert*, or *Wilderness of Judea*, situated to the west of the Dead Sea, where John the

Baptist preached.

30. What is remarked respecting caves?

^{27.} What is said of Bashan? 28. Abarim? 29. Mount Seir?

^{31.} What is said of the caves of Adullam and Engedi?

^{32.} What other caves are mentioned?

^{33.} What is mentioned respecting wildernesses?
34. What was the most celebrated desert or wilderness of Palestine?

CHAPTER VI.

Palestine in the Time of the New Testament History. Judea. Jerusalem and its Environs.

1. In the time of the gospel history, the whole of Palestine was subject to the Romans, and was divided into four parts; namely, Ju-de'a, Sa-ma'ri-a, Gal'i-lee, and Pe-ræ'a, or the country beyond Jordan.

2. Our Savior was born at Bethlehem in Judea, but his place of residence, before entering on his public ministry, was Nazareth in Galilee; hence he was sometimes called a Nazarene, and sometimes a Galilean.

Questions on the Map of Judah and Israel. No III.

1. How were the Amalekites situated with regard to Judah and Israel? 2. How Damascus? 3. How was Ammon situated? 4. Moab? 5. Midian?

6. Which two tribes were situated farthest south?
7. Which three farthest north? 8. Which on the Mediterranean or Great Sea? 9. Which on the Dead Sea? 10. Which on the east of the Jordan?

11. How was Judah situated? 12. Simeon? 13. Manasseh? 14. Asher? 15. Reuben? 16. Dan? 17. Gad? 18. Issachar? 19. Naphtali? 20. Benjamin? 21. Zeb-

ulon? 22. Ephraim?

23. What towns are found in the tribe of Judah? 24. In Benjamin? 25. In Simeon? 26. In Dan? 27. In Ephraim? 28. In Manasseh? 29. In Issachar? 30. In Zebulon? 31. In Asher? 32. In Naphtali? 33. In Manasseh beyond Jordan? 34. In Gad? 35. In Reuben?

CHAPTER VI.—Questions.

1. What is said of the condition and divisions of Palestine, in the time of the gospel history?

2. Where was our Savior born, and where was his

residence?

- 3. His journeyings, during his ministry, were limited to Palestine. The two principal centres of his labors were *Jerusalem* and its vicinity, and the neighborhood of the *Sea of Galilee*.
- 4. Judea comprised the territories which formerly belonged to the tribes of Judah, Benjamin, Simeon, and Dan, and was distinguished particularly for containing the city of Jerusalem.
- 5. Jerusalem was styled by the Israelites the Holy City and the City of God, and was regarded as, in a peculiar sense, the dwelling-place of the Most High, as it contained the Temple, and was the centre of the Jewish worship.

6. It was built on four hills, Zi'on, Mo-ri'ah, A'cra, and Be-ze'ta, which were almost surrounded

by valleys, encompassed by mountains.

7. Two small streams, branches of the brook Kid'ron or Ce'dron, flowed through the valleys, one on the east, and the other on the south of the city.

8. Mount Zion, which was the most elevated of the hills, and on which the city of David was built, and also the palace of David, was the most

southerly.

9. Mount Moriah, on which the Temple was erected, was to the east; and to the north were two other hills, less elevated.

4. What did Judea comprise?

^{3.} To what were his journeyings limited, and what were the principal centres of his labors?

^{5.} What is said of Jerusalem? 6. What of its situation?

^{7.} What streams flowed through the valleys?

^{8.} What is said of Mount Zion? 9. What of Mount Moriah?

10. After the building of the Temple, all the adult males of Israel were required to go to Jerusalem, three times a year, to keep the three great annual festivals; namely, the Passover, the Pentecost, and the Feast of Tabernacles.

11. The first Temple was built by Solomon, and was an extensive and magnificent edifice, adorned with very costly ornaments of gold, and

encompassed by spacious courts.

12. In the innermost part of the Temple was the Sanctuary, including the Holy of Holies, so called because it contained the Ark of the covenant.

13. Into this most holy place none but the high priest was permitted to enter; and he only once a

year, on the great day of atonement.

14. The second Temple, which was built by Ze-rub'ba-bel, after the return of the Jews from the Babylonish captivity, was much inferior to that of Solomon.

15. Herod began to repair or rebuild the Temple 16 years before the birth of Christ, and ren-

dered it extremely magnificent.

16. Near the Temple was the pool of Be-thes'da; and on the north-west was the castle or fortress of An-to'ni-a, in which a Roman legion was quartered.

14. By whom was the second Temple built?

15. When did Herod begin to repair or rebuild the Temple?

16. Where were the pool of Bethesda and the castle

of Antonia?

^{10.} At what three festivals were all the adult males required to be at Jerusalem?

^{11.} What is said of the first Temple?12. What was there in the innermost part of it?

^{13.} Who was permitted to enter into the Holy of Holies?

17. On the west side of the city, and just without the walls, was *Mount Calvary*, where our Lord was crucified.

18. To the south of the city was Ge-hen'na or the Valley of Hinnom, where the Israelites sacri-

ficed their children to the image of Mo'loch.

19. In the Valley of Je-hos'a-phat, to the east of the city, were the fountain or pool of Sil'o-am or Sil'o-ah, and also the Garden of Geth-sem'a-ne, where our Savior was betrayed.

20. To the east of the valley of Jehosaphat was the *Mount of Olives* or *Mount Ol'i-vet*, so elevated as to afford a fine view of the city and temple.

21. The modern city of Jerusalem is built chiefly on *Mount Moriah*, and is much visited by

pilgrims.

22. To the east of Jerusalem was Beth'pha-ge; and still farther, Beth'a-ny, famous for the residence of Mary and Martha, for the raising of Laz'a-rus, and for the ascension of our Savior.

23. Beth'le-hem is memorable as the birthplace of our Savior; Em'ma-us, for his conversation with two of his disciples after his resurrection.

24. Jer'i-cho, famous in the history of the Old Testament, is frequently mentioned in the New,

and was the residence of Zac-che'us.

25. Ar-i-ma-the'a is noted as the town of Joseph, who begged of Pilate the body of Jesus; Lyd'da, for the cure of E'neas by Peter.

17. Where was Mount Calvary?

^{18.} Where was Gehenna or the Valley of Hinnom?
19. The pool of Siloam and the garden of Gethsemane?
20. The Mount of Olives?

^{21.} What is said of the modern city? 22. Bethphage and Bethany? 23. Bethlehem and Emmaus? 24. Jericho? 25. Arimathea and Lydda?

CHAPTER VII.

Samaria: Galilee: Peræa.

1. The country or province of Samaria derived its name from the city of Samaria, which was the capital of the kingdom of Israel; and it comprised the territory which belonged to the tribe of *Ephraim* and half of *Manasseh*.

2. After the captivity of the *Ten Tribes* by Shalmane'ser, this country was repeopled by colonists from Assyria, and such Israelites as remained or afterwards returned; and this mixed race of people were called *Sa-mar'i-tans*.

3. They adopted the Law of Moses, and regarded the Pentateuch as a book of divine authority; but rejected the rest of the Old Testament.

4. They built a temple on Mount Ger'i-zim, where they celebrated their worship, instead of going to Januarian

going to Jerusalem.

5. The greatest aversion existed between the Jews and Samaritans; and the two nations had no

friendly intercourse with each other.

6. Our Savior spent but little time, during his ministry, in Samaria; though he repeatedly passed through the country, in journeying from Galilee to Judea.

CHAPTER VII.—Questions.

1. What is said of the country or province of Samaria?
2. Who were the Samaritans? and what was their origin?

3. What their religion?

4. Where did they build a temple?

5. How did the Jews and Samaritans regard each other?

6. Did our Savior pass much time in Samaria?

7. Sy'char, called in the Old Testament She'-chem and Si'chem, now Napolose, became the metropolis of the Samaritans, after the destruction of the city of Samaria.

8. Near Sychar was Jacob's Well, memorable for our Savior's conversation with the woman of

Samaria.

9. In the vicinity was Mount Ger'i-zim, on which the Samaritan temple was built, and to which allusion is made in the remark of the woman, "Our fathers worshipped in this mountain."

10. Cæs-a-re'a, a city on the coast of the Mediterranean, was the seat of the Roman procurators

or governors of Palestine.

11. In this city Herod Agrippa was smitten with a fatal disease, as related in Acts xii.; here St. Peter converted Cornelius, the centurion; and here St. Paul defended himself before Felix, Festus, and Agrippa, before he sailed to Rome.

12. Jop'pa, now Jaffa, is famous as the port of Jerusalem, and for being the place where Peter

restored Dorcas to life.

13. An-tip'a-tris, a town built by Herod, is mentioned in the history of St. Paul; E'non and Sa'lim, near the Jordan, were places where John baptized.

8. For what is Jacob's Well memorable?

12. What is said of Joppa?

^{7.} What is said of Sychar?

^{9.} What is said of Mount Gerizim? 10. What of Cæsarea?

^{11.} What events took place in this city?

^{13.} What of Antipatris, Enon, and Salim?

- 14. Galilee, the northern division of Palestine, comprised the country formerly occupied by the tribes of Is'sa-char, Zeb'u-lon, Naph'ta-li, and Ash'er.
- 15. It was divided into Upper and Lower. Upper Galilee, the northern division, was mountainous, and was called Galilee of the Gentiles, because it bordered upon Gentile nations.

16. The chief town of Upper Galilee was Casarre'a-Phi-lip'pi, called in the Old Testament Dan.

17. Lower Galilee, which is called in the New Testament simply Gal'i-lee, is comparatively level, and was very fruitful and populous; and many of its inhabitants were Israelites.

18. This division of Palestine was most honored with our Savior's presence, and it was the native country of most, if not all, of his twelve disciples.

- 19. Ti-be'ri-as, situated on the sea of Galilee, which was called also the sea of Tiberias, was once the capital of Galilee, and was noted for its Jewish academy after the destruction of Jerusalem.
- 20. Ca-per'na-um, Cho-ra'zin, and Beth-sa'i-da, were all situated near the sea of Galilee, and were memorable for our Lord's discourses and miracles, which brought a heavy woe upon them on account of their unbelief.

^{14.} What did Galilee comprise? 15. How was it divided?

^{16.} What was the chief town of Upper Galilee?

^{17.} How is Lower Galilee described?
18. What is further said of this division?

^{19.} What is said of Tiberias?

^{20.} What is said of Capernaum, Chorazin, and Bethsaida?

21. Beth-sa'i-da was the residence of the disci-

ples Philip, Peter, Andrew, James, and John.

22. Ca-per'na-um was the residence of Matthew; and on an eminence near this town, our Savior delivered his memorable discourse, called the "Sermon on the Mount."

- 23. Naz'a-reth is famous for having been the residence of our Savior, before he entered on his public ministry; Ca'na, for his miracle of turning water into wine; Na'in, for his raising a widow's son to life.
- 24. Ptol-e-ma'is or Ac'cho, now Acre, a place visited by St. Paul, is noted in the history of the Crusades.
- 25. Pe-re'a, or the country Beyond Jordan, comprised the territories which formerly belonged to the tribes of Reuben and Gad, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and it was subdivided into several districts.
- 26. De-cap'o-lis was a combination of ten cities, which were situated not far from the sea of Galilee.
- 27. The country on the east side of the sea of Galilee was repeatedly visited by our Savior, and here were the towns of Dal-ma-nu'tha, Mag'da-la, and Gad'a-ra.
- 28. Farther to the south, on the Jordan, was Be-thab'a-ra, where John baptized.

^{21.} Of whom was Bethsaida the residence?

^{22.} What is said of Capernaum? 23. What of Nazareth, Cana, and Nain? 24. Ptolemais?

^{25.} What did Peræa comprise? 26. Decapolis? 27. What is mentioned of the country on the east side of the sea of Galilee? 28. What of Bethabara?

Questions on the Map of Palestine. No. IV.

1. What sea lies west of Palestine?

2. How was Samaria bounded? 3. Judea? 4. Galilee?

5. Peræa, or Beyond Jordan?

6. How was Galilee of the Gentiles situated? 7. Iturea? 8. Phænicia? 9. Syria? 10. Gennesaret? 11. Decapolis?

12. How is the Dead Sea situated? 13. The sea of

Galilee? 14. The Waters of Merom?

15. Through what does the Jordan flow? 16. Into what does it empty?

17. Where does the Arnon empty? 18. The Jabbok? 19. What streams empty into the Mediterranean?

20. How is Mount Lebanon situated? 21. Anti-Lebanon? 22. Mount Hermon? 23. Mount Carmel? 24. Mount Tabor? 25. The Mountains of Ephraim? 26. The Mountains of Abarim? 27. Mount Gilboa?

28. How is Jerusalem situated? 29. Samaria? 30. Cæsarea? 31. Tiberias? 32. Sidon? 33. Gaza? 34. Hebron? 35. Joppa? 36. Jericho? 37. Ptolemais? 38. Capernaum? 39. Sychar? 40. Tyre? 41. Cæsarea-Philippi? 42. Beersheba? 43. Bethlehem? 44. Nazareth? 45. Cana? 46. Emmaus? 47. Gath? 48. Ascalon? 49. Magdala? 50. Ramoth-Gilead? 51. Jezreel? 52. Bethabara? 53. Azotus? 54. Engedi? 55. Salim and Enon? 56. Megiddo? 57. Shunem?

Questions on the Map of Jerusalem. No. V.

1. In what part of Jerusalem was Mount Zion?
2. Mount Moriah?

3. Where was the city of David? 4. The Temple? 5. The Palace of David? 6. Solomon's Palace? 7. Salem, or the Old City? 8. The Pool of Bethesda?

9. The Castle of Antonia? 10. Mount Calvary?

11. Which way from the city was the Mount of Olives? 12. Where was the Valley of Jehosaphat? 13. The Valley of Hinnom? 14. The Pool of Siloam? 15. The Fuller's and the Potter's Fields? 16. Gethsemane?

17. Which way from Jerusalem were Bethphage and Bethany?

CHAPTER VIII.

Countries in which the Gospel was preached by the Apostles.

1. The labors of the apostles in preaching the gospel, after the resurrection of our Savior, as related in the Acts, were confined chiefly to Palestine, Syria, Asia Minor, Greece, and Italy.

- 2. These countries were all, at this period, subject to the Romans; and they embraced the portions of the earth which were most distinguished for civilization, arts, and literature; but the inhabitants were all, with the exception of the Jews, pagan idolaters, commonly styled in the Bible Gentiles.
- 3. The Jews, having rejected and crucified our Savior, were little inclined to listen to the instruction of his disciples, or to receive his religion; but among the Gentiles, the apostles met with wonderful success.
- 4. Syria, which was, at this period, a Roman province, had for its capital An'ti-och, which had been the residence of the Macedonian kings of Syria, called the Se-leu'ci-dæ, and was for some time the third city in the world in splendor and population.

5. Antioch is frequently mentioned in the Acts

CHAPTER VIII.—Questions.

1. In what countries was the gospel preached by the apostles?

2. What is said of these countries?

3. With what success did the apostles meet?

4. What is said of Syria and Antioch?
5. What further is related of Antioch?

of the Apostles; it was the native place of St. Luke, and for some time the residence of St. Peter and St. Paul; and here the disciples of Christ were first called Christians.

6. Asia Minor contained a number of divisions or provinces, some of the principal of which were Cap-pa-do'ci-a, Pon'tus, Lyc-a-o'ni-a, Ga-la'ti-a, Ci-li'ci-a, Pam-phyl'i-a, A'si-a, and Bi-thyn'i-a.

7. Asia was a proconsular province, comprising Mys'i-a, Lyd'i-a, Ca'ri-a, and most of Phryg'i-a,

in the western part.

8. Eph'e-sus, the capital of the province of Asia, was a large and splendid city, celebrated for a magnificent temple of Di-a'na, which was reckoned one of the seven wonders of the world.

9. St. Paul spent some time at Ephesus; here St. John passed the latter part of his life; and of the church here, Timothy was appointed bishop.

10. The "seven churches of Asia," mentioned in the Revelation, namely, Eph'e-sus, Smyr'na, Per'ga-mos, Thy-a-ti'ra, Sar'dis, Phil-a-del'phi-a, and La-od-i-ce'a, were all in the province of Asia.

11. Smyrna, a large commercial city, is noted for having been considered by some as the birth-place of Homer; Per'ga-mos, as the royal city of Eu'me-nes; Sar'dis, as the residence of the rich king Cræsus; Mi-le'tus, for its riches and commerce, and a temple of Apollo.

10. What were the "seven churches," and where

situated?

^{6.} What is said of Asia Minor? 7. What of the province of Asia? 8. What of Ephesus? 9. Which of the apostles resided here?

^{11.} What is said of Smyrna, Pergamos, Sardis, and Miletus?

- 12. Tar'sus, the capital of Cilicia, was a large city, noted for the arts and sciences, and as the birthplace of St. Paul; I-co'ni-um, as the capital of Lyc-a-o'ni-a; Pa'phos, as the capital of the island of Cyprus.
- 13. Greece, at this period, was divided into two Roman provinces, namely, A-cha'i-a and Mac-edo'ni-a.

14. Achaia comprised Greece Proper and the Pel-o-pon-ne'sus; and Macedonia consisted of Macedonia Proper, Thessaly, and Epirus.

15. Cor'inth, the capital of Achaia, was situated

on a gulf and an isthmus of the same name, and was famous for commerce, wealth, and the arts, and for the celebration of the Isthmian games in its vicinity.

16. Ath'ens, the most renowned city of Greece, was for a long time the most celebrated seat of learning in the world, and gave birth to many of the most eminent men of antiquity; yet this city, as well as those less enlightened, "was wholly given to idolatry."

17. Thes-sa-lo-ni'ca, now Salonica, the capital of the Roman province of Macedonia, was a large

commercial city.

18. Phi-lip'pi, situated north-east of Thessalonica, was famous for the defeat of Brutus and Cassius.

19. Crete, a large island lying south-east of Greece, and much celebrated in Grecian history,

^{12.} What is said of Tarsus, &c.? 13. How was Greece now divided?

^{14.} What did Achaia comprise, and what Macedonia?

^{15.} What is said of Corinth? 16. Athens? 17. Thessalonica? 18. Philippi? 19. Crete?

was visited by St. Paul, accompanied by *Titus*, who was left here to regulate the affairs of the churches.

- 20. Pat'mos, a small barren island, is celebrated for being the place to which St. John was banished.
- 21. The great and powerful city of *Rome* was the capital of the Roman Empire, which, in the time of the gospel history, was nearly in its greatest extent, and embraced most of the then known world.
- 22. The Roman Empire was, during the ministry of St. Paul, successively governed by the emperors Ti-be'ri-us, Ca-lig'u-la, Clau'di-us, and Ne'ro.

CHAP. IX.

Labors and Travels of St. Paul and the other Apostles.

1. The labors of St. Peter, so far as they are recorded in the New Testament, were limited to Palestine and the city of Antioch; yet, from his addressing his first epistle to the Christians dispersed in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, he is supposed to have preached in those countries.

CHAPTER IX .- Questions.

1. What is said of the labors of Peter?

^{20.} What is said of Patmos?

^{21.} What is said of Rome and the Roman Empire?
22. By what emperors was the empire governed during St. Paul's ministry?

2. St. John preached the gospel for a while in Palestine. He was at length banished to the island of Patmos; and he passed the latter part of his life in Asia Minor, chiefly at Ephesus.

3. James, the brother of John, suffered martyrdom under Herod Agrippa, as related in Acts, xii.

- 4. The other apostle James, the brother of Jude, sometimes called James the Less, was the author of the epistle which bears his name, and was bishop of Jerusalem, where he suffered martyrdom, A. D. 62.
- 5. Of the labors of the rest of the twelve original disciples or apostles, subsequent to the ascension of our Savior, scarcely any thing is recorded in the New Testament.

6. St. Paul, who was appointed an apostle after the ascension of our Savior, and was preëminent for his various endowments, "labored more abundantly than all the others," and is styled the great

apostle of the Gentiles.

7. He was a native of *Tarsus*, a Hebrew of the tribe of Benjamin, was educated a Pharisee, and possessed, by birth, the privilege of a Roman citizen. This privilege, it has been maintained by some, was conferred on his ancestors; but others suppose that, at this period, all the natives of *Tarsus* enjoyed it.

8. St. Paul was, for a time, zealous for the Jewish religion, and employed himself in cruelly per-

^{2.} What is said of John?

^{3.} What is said of James the brother of John?

^{4.} What of the other apostle James?

^{5.} What of the rest of the 12 original disciples?
6. What is said of St. Paul 2. 7. What of his hirt

^{6.} What is said of St. Paul? 7. What of his birth and origin?

^{8.} What further is related of him?

secuting the Christians; and it was while on a journey from Jerusalem to Damascus, for this purpose, that his miraculous conversion took place, A. D. 35, or 36.

9. After his conversion, he went to Damascus, thence into Arabia, where he passed considerable time; then returned to Damascus, and afterwards to Jerusalem.

10. After this first return to Jerusalem, subsequent to his conversion, he performed four apostolic journeys from that city, before he was sent a prisoner to Rome.

11. Some of the principal companions and assistants of Paul in his labors among the Gentiles, were Bar'na-bas, Si'las, Tim'o-thy, A-pol'los, Ti'-

tus, and Luke.

12. In his first apostolic journey from Jerusalem, Paul proceeded by way of Cas-a-re'a to Tarsus; thence to Antioch; and, after spending considerable time here, he returned to Jerusalem, A. D. 44, accompanied by Barnabas, bringing relief to the suffering Christians in Judea.

13. In his second journey, Paul returned to Antioch; thence by Se-leu'ci-a first to Sal'a-mis in Cyprus, then to Paphos, the capital of the island, where he converted the proconsul Ser'gi-us Pāu'-lus, and struck with blindness the sorcerer El'y-mas, who attempted to hinder his conversion.

^{9.} To what places did he proceed after his conversion?
10. How many apostolic journeys did he perform after this return to Jerusalem?

^{11.} Who were some of his principal companions and assistants?

^{12.} What was his route in his first journey?

^{13.} What course did he pursue in his second journey, and what took place at Paphos?

- 14. From Paphos he proceeded to Perga; thence to Antioch in Pisidia; thence to Lys'tra, where he cured a cripple; and the people who saw this miracle, were at first eager to offer sacrifice to him and his companion Barnabas; but they afterwards stoned him, dragged him out of the city, and left him for dead.
- 15. From Lystra he proceeded to *Der'be*; thence returning again to *Lystra*, *Iconium*, *Antioch*, and *Perga*; thence by way of *At-ta-li'a* to *Antioch* in Syria: after spending considerable time here, he, together with Barnabas, went again to Jerusalem, A. D. 49, in order to consult the apostles and elders, on the controversy which arose respecting circumcision and other legal ceremonies.

16. After the council of Jerusalem, Paul commenced his third apostolic journey; returning with Barnabas to Antioch, he took Silas for a companion, and proceeded to Der'be and Lys'tra, where he received Timothy as an assistant; thence through Phryg'i-a, Ga-la'ti-a, and Mys'i-a, to Tro'as, where Luke is supposed to have joined him.

17. From Troas he proceeded by Sam-o-thra'-

17. From Troas he proceeded by Sam-o-thra'-ci-a and Ne-ap'o-lis to Phi-lip'pi, where he, together with Silas, was put in prison, but was delivered by an earthquake; and he afterwards converted the initer and his family.

verted the jailer and his family.

18. From Philippi, he proceeded to Am-phip'o-

15. What was his course afterwards, and on what oc-

casion did he return to Jerusalem?

16. What was his course in his third journey?

18. What places did he next visit?

^{14.} To what places did he proceed from Paphos, and what took place at Lystra?

^{17.} What was his course afterwards, and what took place at Philippi?

lis, Ap-ol-lo'ni-a, Thes-sa-lo-ni'ca, Be-re'a, and Ath'ens.

19. At Athens, he was brought before the supreme court of A-re-op'a-gus for trial, and before this tribunal, composed of statesmen and philosophers, he delivered the speech recorded in Acts, xvii.

20. From Athens he proceeded to Cor'inth, where he remained about a year and a half, and was here brought by the Jews before the proconsul Gallio.

- 21. Embarking from Cen'chre-a, a port of Corinth, after touching at Eph'e-sus, he landed at Cas-a-re'a, and proceeded again to Jerusalem, A. D. 53.
- 22. After a short stay at Jerusalem, Paul went to Antioch, proceeding on his fourth apostolic journey through Ga-la'ti-a and Phryg'i-a to Eph'-e-sus, where he remained two or three years, and left the city after a riot was raised against him by Demetrius the silversmith.
- 23. From Ephesus he proceeded by way of *Troas* to *Macedonia*, passing through that country and Greece, again visiting *Corinth* and *Philippi*; thence sailing by *Troas* to *Mi-le'tus*, where he met the Ephesian Christians, and took the affecting leave of them recorded in Acts xx.
- 24. From Miletus he proceeded by Cos, Rhodes, Pat'a-ra, Tyre, Ptol-e-ma'is, and Cas-a-re'a, to

^{19.} What took place at Athens?

^{20.} What city did he then visit, and what took place at Corinth?

^{21.} By what places did he return to Jerusalem?

^{22.} What was his course in his fourth journey, and what took place at Ephesus?

^{23.} What was his route from thence, and what took place at Miletus?

^{24.} By what places did he return to Jerusalem?

Jerusalem, where he arrived before the feast of

Pentecost, A. D. 58.

25. After his return to Jerusalem from his fourth apostolic journey, the Jews caused an excitement against him, and he was sent a prisoner by way of An-tip'a-tris to Cas-a-re'a, to be tried by Felix, the governor.

26. Having been detained a prisoner two years at Cæsare'a, where he delivered the defences recorded in Acts xxii. and xxvi., he availed himself of his privilege of a Roman citizen by appealing

to the emperor.

27. He was accordingly sent to Rome with other prisoners, under the care of the centurion Julius,

and was accompanied by St. Luke.

28. In their voyage (see Map No. VI.), they touched at Si'don and My'ra, sailed near Cni'dus, thence round the east end of Crete; and after being "exceedingly tossed with a tempest," for fourteen days, they were shipwrecked near the island of Mel'i-ta, where they all got safe to shore.

29. From Mel'i-ta they proceeded by Syr'a-cuse, Pu-te'o-li, Ap'pi-i Fo'rum, and The Three Taverns, till they finally arrived at Rome, A. D. 61.

30. Paul dwelt two years in the city, in hired lodgings, where he received all that came to him,

preaching the gospel without interruption.

31. During this imprisonment at Rome, the apostle wrote his epistles to the E-phe'sians, Philip'pi-ans, Co-los'sians, and to Phi-le'mon.

^{25.} What happened after his return?

^{26.} What took place at Cæsarea?

^{27.} By whom was he accompanied to Rome? 28. What is related respecting the voyage?

^{29.} How did he proceed from Melita?

^{30.} What did he do at Rome? 31. What epistles did he write during this imprisonment?

32. The most of his other epistles had before this time been written at different places, as may

be seen in the Table on the following page.

33. St. Luke concludes his narrative in the Acts, with this imprisonment at Rome; and the subsequent history of St. Paul is uncertain; but it was the uniform tradition of the primitive church, that he was afterwards imprisoned a second time at Rome, and that he suffered martyrdom under the emperor Nero, in or about the year A. D. 66.

Questions on the Map of the Travels of St. Paul. No. VI.

1. What countries were situated on the east of the Mediterranean or Great Sea?

2. What countries were in the west of Asia Minor?

3. In the south? 4. In the north? 5. In the east?

6. How was Galatia situated? 7. Troas? 8. The island of Cyprus? 9. Crete? 10. Patmos? 11. Sicily? 12. Melita?

13. How was Greece or Achaia situated? 14. Macedonia? 15. Thrace? 16. Epirus? 17. Illyricum? 18.

Thessaly? 19. Dalmatia? 20. Italy?

21. Which way from Jerusalem to Damascus? 22. Gaza? 23. Antioch? 24. Alexandria? 25. Ephesus? 26. Cy-re/ne? 27. Athens?

28. How was Antioch situated? 29. Tarsus? 30. Iconium? 31. Paphos? 32. Attalia? 33. Antioch in Pisidia?

34. What towns were there on the west coast of Asia

Minor, and on the east of the Ægean Sea?

35. How was Smyrna situated? 36. Ephesus? 37. Pergamos? 38. Miletus? 39. Philadelphia? 40. Sardis? 41. Co-los'se and Laodicea?

42. How was Athens situated? 43. Thessalonica? 44. Corinth? 45. Philippi? 46. Berea? 47. Cenchrea? 48. Rome? 49. Syracuse? 50. Rhegium? 51. Puteoli? 52. By what places did St. Paul pass in his voyage

from Cæsarea to Rome?

^{32.} What is said of the other epistles? 33. What further is related of St. Paul?

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TABLE,

Exhibiting, in chronological order, the places where, and the times when, the books of the New Testament were written, according to Dr. Lardner.

THE GOSPELS AND THE ACTS.

St. Matthew Judea, or near it . about 64 St. Mark Rome about 64

Places.

St. Mark	
St. Luke	Greece about 63 or 64
St. John	Inhagus shout 68
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The Acts of the Apostles	Greece about 63 or 64
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St. Paul's Epistles.	
1 Thessalonians	Corinth 52
2 Thessalonians	Jorinta
Galatians	Corinth or Ephesus 52 or 53
1 Corinthians I	Ephesus 56
1 Timothy	Macedonia 56
Titue T	Viscodonia or nosr it 56
Titus	wacedonia, or near it 50
2 Corinthians	
Romans	Corinth 58
Ephesians	
2 Timothy	Rome 61
Dilimina	Doma 69
Philippians	Nume
Colossians	
Philemon	Rome 62
Hebrews I	Rome or Italy 63
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THE CATHOLIC EPISTLES.	
James	Tudea 61 or 62
1 Peter and 2 Peter]	Rome 64
Jude	Inknown 64 or 65
1 John	Ephesus
2 John and 3 John 1	Ephesus from 80 to 90
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The Revelation	Patmos or Enhance 95 or 96
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The dates of several of the Epistles have been much controverted. According to Dr. Lardner, the Second Epistle to Timothy was written by Paul, during his first imprisonment at Rome; but Michaelis, Rosenmüller, Macknight, Paley, and other judicious critics, maintain that it was written during the apostle's second imprisonment, and but little before he suffered martyrdom.

Many learned critics suppose that the First Epistle to Timothy, and the Epistle to Titus, were written as late

as the year 64 or 65.

Thirteen of the Epistles were avowedly written by St. Paul; but the Epistle to the Hebrews, which is ascribed to him by Dr. Lardner, is anonymous, and the question respecting the author of it has been much controverted. The prevailing opinion, however, in the Christian church, has been, that it was written by Paul; and this opinion is supported by a majority of modern critics.







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