

On the coasts of Judæa there are still to be seen boats of considerable size, which can be navigated either with oars or sails. In the narrower portion of the stern, referred to by Saint Mark as the "hinder part of the ship," there was a small cabin in which, no doubt, Jesus was asleep. The sacred text tells us that He had His head upon a pillow, a small detail which proves that the vessel was of sufficient importance to have some furniture in its cabin.

In the Villages, the Sick were brought unto Him

Saint Mark — Chap. 6

ET percurrentes universam regionem illam, cœperunt in grabatis eos, qui se male habebant, circumferre, ubi audiebant eum esse.

56. Et quocumque introibat, in vicos vel in villas aut civitates, in plateis ponebant infirmos, et deprecabantur eum, ut vel fimbriam vestimenti ejus tangerent; et quotquot tangebant eum, salvi fiebant.

AND ran through that whole region round about, and began to carry about in beds those that were sick, where they heard he was.

56. And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched him were made whole.



Jewish Bible at Jerusalem. J.-J. T.

In the synagogues of Jerusalem, several examples may still be seen of Bibles of the kind represented in our engraving. The left hand scroll of manuscript, as it closed or unrolled, communicated a similar movement to that on the right, and the Priest could then read the writing laid bare between the two. As a rule,

these scrolls are of very ancient date, and are enriched with ornaments in silver repoussé work on a velvet ground of a very deep red colour. The reader is generally attended by a clerk, who assists him by pointing out the passage to be given with a small rod, ending in a silver band.