## THE GEOGRAPHY LESSON By Rev. J. M. Duncan, D.D.



hospitals and schools in the town. The Mohammedans.

Cæsarea was an ancient seacoast town of Palestine, 30 miles north of Joppa, built by Herod the Great, and named in honor of Augustus Cæsar. The site was originally called Strato's Tower. Here Herod made a magnificent harbor, by constructing a strong breakwater, the ruins of which still remain. Cæsarea became the military capital of Palestine, where the Roman governors had their headquarters. The modern place is only a village on the ancient site.

Jaffa is the modern name of Joppa. It is the seaport of Jerusalem, about 30 miles northwest of that city. The coast at that point is skirted by a dangerous reef, through which the entrance is exceedingly narrow. In stormy weather landing is often impossible for days at a time. The chief exports of Jaffa are soap, fruits, wine, oil and sesame, while the imports consist chiefly of cotton goods, rice, sugar, petroleum, tobacco and lumber. Tanneries are still found on the seashore. The oranges of Jaffa are reputed to be the finest in the world. In 1900 the total shipping of the port amounted to over 660,000 tons. There are several missionary population is estimated at 21,000, mostly

## ADDED HINTS AND HELPS

In this section will be found further assistance under various headings.

## Some Test Questions

[Note: These Questions are not intended for use in the class, but as samples of questions by which the teacher may test the thoroughness of his own preparation of the Lesson. He will also find it of great advantage to be familiar with the Questions set for the scholars in the Home Study, Intermediate and Primary, Quarterlies and Leaflets. The scholars should be encouraged to use these as a guide in their study of the Lesson.]

- 1. What position did Cornelius hold? Name the main divisions of the Roman army.
- 2. Where in the New Testament are other centurions mentioned? In what light are they presented?
- 3. What was Cornelius' religious position? How does it appear that he influenced his household for good?
- 4. Describe the vision which he saw. What was he told as to his prayers and alms? What was he bidden to do?

- 5. Who were sent by the centurion to bring Peter? What was the distance from Cæsarea to Joppa?
- 6. Where was Peter praying? At what time? Into what condition did he fall? What did he see?
- 7. What was he told to do? Why did he refuse? What rebuke did he receive?
- 8. About what was he perplexed? What was he told he should do? By whom?
- Give the substance of Peter's address in Cornelius' house.
- 10. What happened when he had concluded? By what sign were Cornelius and his household recognized as Christians?

## Something to Look Up

[From the Intermediate Quarterly and Leaflet]

1. Another centurion saw Jesus being crucified. When he heard our Lord's words,