Jaffa, Sarona and in the neighbourhood of Jerusalem. For twelve years the colonists struggled with the unwilling government for the legalization of the titles to their lands, but though almost entirely men of moderate means, they have succeeded in establishing their rights; the time of weary contest with a rotten government and thieving tax-gatherers is now happily past, and its largest settlement holds its seven hundred acres of fine arable and vine lands beneath the shadow of Carmel; and with its white stone houses set in the midst of trim gardens and cultivated fields,



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presents a singular bit of Western civilization and enterprise amidst semi-barbarous surroundings. The effect of the presence of these sturdy German farmers and craftsmen upon the neighbourhood and population is very marked; new stone houses have sprung up in all directions; omnibuses, owned and driven by natives, run several times a day along the ten miles of firm seabeach between Haifa and Acre, the capital of the province; and the colonists have themselves constructed a carriage road to Nazareth, twenty-two miles away, at an expenditure of about one thousand dollars.