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During the Mission
Sent Out By
His Majesty Fredrick William IV. Of Prussia

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On the 4th November we left the Holy City. On account of the war, now becoming serious, which the Pasha of Jerusalem was carrying on with Hebron, we had some difficulty in procuring mules and horses. The first night beyond Jerusalem we passed under the tents in Bireh. On the second day we went through Bethin (Bethel), 'Ain el Haramieh (the Robbers' Well), Sel'un (Silo), to Nablus (Sichem, Neapolis), and ascended the same evening the Garizim, the holy mountain of the Samaritans, the small remains of whom (about seventy men or 150 souls) we made ourselves acquainted with the next day. They are still abhorred by the Jews, and have also as little in common with the Christians and the Mahommedans.

We saw from the Garizim the naked rocky level, surrounded by some old walls, where these Samari still offer yearly, as in former times, their sheep to their God. The next morning, after we had visited the house of prayer of the Samaritans, in which we were shown the ancient Samaritan handwriting of the Pentateuch, as well as Jacob's well and the vine-covered grave of Joseph, we rode on, accompanied by an armed servant of Soliman Bey, in whose house we had lodged, to Sebastieh (Sebaste, the ancient Samaria) where (p. 393) we saw the ruins of a beautiful old church, of the time of the crusaders,
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