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A Letter To the Reverend Mr. Geo. Lewis, Chaplain to the Honourable the East-India-Company, at Fort St. George

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fair Hand; The younger say their Lessons out of the Books mentioned before, in the same manner as they do between *Eight* and *Ten*.

From Six to Half an Hour after Seven,

They confer among themselves about divine Matters, asking Questions by Turns, as the Youths do in the first School.

IV. *The Order of Instruction in the Portugueze-School; consisting of Twenty One Scholars of both Sexes, and a Master.*

From Six a Clock till Seven,

ALL of this School come to the Assistant's Chamber, who examines them in order, out of the *Catechism*, which he explains. Other *Portugueze*, and some of the *Danish-School*, come hither likewise.

From Seven to Eight,

School begins with two Chapters taken out of the *New-Testament*, which are distinctly read. At the End of the first, the Master sets forth the several Parts contain'd in it,

it, examining the Scholars over and over again, till they are perfect. He does the same by the other Chapter. The Catechist prepares some of the School with Instructions for holy Baptism.

From Eight to Nine,

The Master examines and instructs them in part of the *Catechism*, bringing Scripture-Proofs for the same, by way of Question and Answer. The *Catechism* is so divided, that one principal part of it is finished in a Month; and the whole, from Beginning to End, in Half a Year. Of the little ones, some learn to read in the *Method of Salvation*, and some to spell in the *Frimmer*. The Assistant at this time calling to him some of this School, prepares them for holy Baptism. They that are disposed for the Lord's-Supper, being likewise present.

From Nine to Ten,

The Elder learn by heart some of the Proofs, by which the Doctrines were explained and confirmed the Hour before, to the End that in the Days of their Youth they may lay up incorruptible Treasures. The Younger go on in the forementioned Lessons.

From Ten to Eleven,

The Elder learn to cast Accounts; The Younger learn the Scripture-Proofs of the Book called, *The Method of Salvation*, From

From Eleven to Twelve,

The Elder, together with some of the *Malabar* and *Danish* Scholars, confer about the Study of Geography and the Use of the Globe twice in the Week ; at other times, this Hour is taken up in reading *Portuguese* Epistles, that are of an elegant Style, or in writing Meditations. The Catechist teaches the little Children in the *Method of Salvation*.

In the Afternoon ; From One to Two,

The Elder go to the *Malabar-School*, there to learn and write that Language. The Younger repeat Texts of Scripture to one another ; or the Catechist tells them some Historical Passages out of the *Old* or *New Testament*.

From Two to Four,

The Elder improve their Hand-writing ; the younger keep reading their Books, as between *Eight* and *Ten*.

From Four to Five,

The Elder cast Accounts, as between *Ten* and *Eleven* ; The younger go on in their Lessons of the Hour before.

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From Five to Six,

The Elder go to the *Malabar-School*, as they did before between *One* and *Two*; The younger learn the *Summary of Christian Doctrine*.

From Six to Half an Hour after Seven,

The Elder have a catechetical Conference among themselves, in which they repeat the Points which they heard from the Assistant in the Morning, in the same manner as in the first *Malabar-School*; but the little Children are instructed by the Catechist in *Christian Doctrines*.

V. The Method of Instruction in the Danish-School; consisting of Fourteen Scholars of both Sexes, with a Master.

From Seven a Clock to Eight,

ONE of the Scholars having read a Chapter in the *New-Testament*, the Master asks every one what he has retained for his own Edification; which, for their better Instruction, he afterwards explains and enlarges upon, applying