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Jan 25:4

a Resolution to abide with him and Confess him, whatever the
Consequence may be at any future time, from a firm faith in
Christ's promise 429, 30 The Obtaining of such a faith is impossible
with Man, but not with God, with whom all things are
possible. ~

Mon^d^y Febr^y 11. A Report prevaileth, that Hyder Ally means to
evacuate the Carnatick, In the Evening a publick letter
arrived from Madras by Kalamaram giving Notice of a
Fleet of 30 sails supposed to be french, having been seen
to the Northward of Madras.

Tues^d^y February 12. The portugues Reader of Pullicat, whom I have
fed and clothed these three Months in hopes of making
him serviceable to me, being dismissed, went on Board a
Nagapalnam Sloop. In passing by the Church, he
uttered the most dreadful Curses, throwing Sand upon
the Houses of our Christians, whom he suspects of having
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informed me of his evil practices.

Wednesday. Febr^y. 13. Intelligence was received from Pondicherry of Monsieur Lally's Arrival there, with all the Army of Sippusait's for the purpose of taking Cuddalore for the Service of the french fleet, that is expected here on the 15th. Our Outposts were ordered in; and the European families of the Place came to me to consult their Safety.

Thursday. Febr^y. 16. Yesterday Sippusait arrived with his Army at Sivady, a Place upon the nearest Road to the Southward by Cuddalore. Anxious days and more anxious Nights, of which we have had many this War! But early in the Morning we were assured by a Deserter, that in the Night Sippu had passed on to the Southward. We began to conceive some hopes of Safety. But in the Evening we saw some french Ships chasing an English Snow into our Road.