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given here Medicine, had received Benefit from it. I gave them what I had, and what I thought might be of use to them, spoke to them, read to them, and dispersed some of our small Malabar Tracts among them.

Febr'y 5. Thursday. Arrived at Cuddalore.

Febr'y 8. Sunday. Preached in the Morning in Malabar and English, and had the Communion with such as attended the preparatory Lectures, ^{which} I gave in these Languages on Friday and Saturday. Two young people who had been well instructed by their Parents were publicly examined and admitted to the Holy Sacrament. In the Evening I discoursed to a few people in Portuguese. The English Communicants 11 in number met again as they had done in the two preceding Evenings. I exhorted, and prayed with, them.

Febr'y 9. Monday. I was kept up here one Day longer on account of a Marriage, which I was desired to perform before my Departure.

Febr'y 10. Tuesday. Came this Evening in my Way to Madras as far as Tawalacuppam, where I conversed untill Mid-^{some}night with the Roman Catholic Christians from Pondicherry, who told me, that they had heard, that I would arrive here, and that they had waited for me the whole Day, having heard of me by their roman catholic Relations of Nagapatam, who had quarrelled about an Inheritance before the Justice of that Place, and whose intricate Business I had settled at last by proposing to them an equitable and amicable Division, by which, what the one had lost in Property, he had gained in Honour

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Honour and Credit before God and Men. They were People of Note, and pressed me very much to come and stay a Day at their House in Pondicherry, which however I declined. During our Conference some Bramins came out of the Choultry with their Staves in their Hands. My friends asked them: why they went away. They said: to make Room for your Priest. I said to the Bramins: God protect You on your Journey. Immediately my roman Catholic friends asked me: whether I believed that God protected the Heathens. We cannot conceive, said they, how he can protect those, that are to go to Hell. I said: Jesus Christ says: God maketh the Sun to rise upon the Evil and the Good, and sendeth Rain upon the Just and the Unjust. And St. Paul says: Do good to all Men. They were silent. But when the Cuddalore Catechist Manoel, who was with me, said something to the same purpose on another Occasion, they said: that is Heresy. They spoke of Mr Fabricius, and were acquainted with all his Circumstances. They seemed to pity him very sincerely, but condemned his Servants most heartily, and mentioned Thurupadam in particular, and warned me against the People of their own Nation. They said, that they had heard of me, that I made it difficult for Heathens to get Baptism, and advised me to be more easy in receiving them, particularly such as have families and Children. When they found that I admitted their Advice, they were very lavishing in giving it. They advised me for Instance to preserve the Distinction of Casts among my Christians, and not to permit them to marry out of one Cast into another. For, said they, this will increase your Flock. The Man that cannot get a christian Girl ^{for wife} of his own Cast must look out

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out for one among the Heathens, and he will bring at least her to Church if not more of her Family. They wished to know the Difference between Lutherans and Calvinists, & whether they believed of each other that they would be saved. They desired to know whether or no I held the Doctrine that Roman Catholics cannot be saved. Upon this last Request I explained the words of our Savior, who believeth and is baptized shall be saved &c. and said: I believe, that the Name neither saves nor condemns, but that Christ saves and that Sin condemns. I believe that those who expect their Salvation from Christ, and therefore reject what he forbids and does what he commands will be saved. This is what I preach to Protestants, Roman Catholics, and Heathens and to Muhammedans too, whenever an Opportunity offers. I wish with all my Heart that names were abolished, but as long as they exist, I believe it is charitable to wish that all Roman Catholics were turned Protestants, and that they would strictly adhere to the Word of God. They were pleased with my Answer, and we retired.

Febry 11. Wednesday. At Noon I was at Candappa Moodelias Choultry and in the Evening came to Dury Choultry, but had the whole Day no proper Opportunity of talking to any one excepting to a travelling man, who upon asking him, whether he had a family, said, I have an old Mother, who remained alive, when all my other Relations died. You have then no Duty to perform to any other near Relation, but to an old Mother, said I, and explained

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