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-ing my family with my female Boarders behind me.
At Karical a pleasant Conference with the principal
Malabar Inhabitants of the Place was broke off by the
French Customers, who insisted upon opening my Trunk,
after they had attended our Conference for a short while.
In the Evening I arrived at Tranquebar at the time
that the Missionaries were meeting for their weekly hour
of Prayer, in which I joined.

Janry 28. Wednesday. I had throughout the whole Day Visits from
the Malabar Christians; and some of the German Inha-
bitants desired me to preach to them a Sermon in
German in private. Upon my proposal they procured
me an Invitation from the Danish Clergyman to
preach for them in their Church next Sunday in Ger-
man.

Janry 29. Thursday. This Morning was spent in taking part in
the Ceremony of conducting General Abestee and his
young family to the Beach, whose Departure from
Tranquebar for Europe was an affecting Scene.

Janry 30. Friday. Attended the weekly Conference of the Mission-
aries, wrote Letters, paid Visits.

Febr'y 1. Sunday preached in German at the Danish Church.

Febr'y 2. Monday. I set out for Buddalore.

Febr'y 3. Tuesday. Met Brother Swartz in his Return from
Madras at Siarhy.

Febr'y 4. Wednesday. at Chelamborum, where on a former Jour-
ney several People got Medicines from me, many
came to me for Remedies against their bodily Ailments.
They told me, that all those People to whom I had
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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 Catholick 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

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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to him the 5th Commandment; and having done this, I explained to him the rest, as I was walking with him in the Way.

Febr'y 12. Thursday. After Morning Prayer with my People, I sent Manoel back to Cuddalore. Came against Noon to Co^m-mitty Choultry, and in the Evening to Alamparui. The People with whom I attempted to talk, either began to beg Alms, or said, they had no time. To one of them I said: if you have no time to hear me, you will find time to read this, and gave him a Book, which he hastily took and went away.

Febr'y 13. Friday. Having passed a broad Creek at Lingaredty Choultry I met with some People who heard me for a long while with Pleasure. At Noon I arrived at Nerian^{dah} Chetty Choultry, much fatigued, having been obliged to come round another Creek, which at this time was not fordable, with the Wind upon my back, which always hurts me. I wished for some Rest, but the Choultry was so full of noisy People of all sorts, that as soon as the greatest Heat was over, I hastened away and came in the Evening to Sadras, where I was well received by the Dutch Chief, and stayed untill Monday Morning, visiting the Families here, and preaching to them a Portuguese Ser^{mon}.

Febr'y 14. Monday. Arrived at Noon at Tiruporei^{ur} where I found a Palanquin, which a friend had sent me from Ma^dras for my Convenience, in which I came before Night by Way of Naveloor to Mootikar^{er} Choultry.

Febr'y 17. Tuesday. Came early to St Thome and spent the Day at
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Doctor Duffins. There was to-day a Meeting of the Directresses of the female Asylum. When Mrs Duffin, who is one of the Directresses came Home, Mrs Davidson, the President came along with her to tell me, that by the unanimous Consent of 12 Directresses a Letter had been wrote to the Governors of the Institution, ^{requesting of them} to engage me to take Charge of this Charity, and to request, that I would not decline it. I told my friends my ^{Business} at Vepery, and how far I might venture to engage in any more Labour. I told them at once that if it was required of me to live at the Asylum I could not accept of the Charge.

Febry 20. Friday. Received Letters from Mr Pasche of the 5th of 88. and from D. Gaskin of the 21st of that Month which both gave me great Concern on account of some Difficulties, which they still find in my general Mission Accounts.

Febry 21st. Saturday. In the Afternoon I went to the Hospital, near the northern Gate of the Black Town, where a number of sick People are fed, that remain of those, who were maintained there during the late War and famine by Subscription, upon the Desire of an old heathen Woman, whose Children are Christians, and who has been before dissuaded from Christianity by her Relations, but is now desirous of dying a Christian, and hath for this end desired the Catechist of Thorukhupottai to instruct her. I appointed a Day for this Service, when her Christian Children shall be present. Whilst I was talking to her, there came several other sick People about me desiring

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desiring Baptism, that they might die as Christians. This induced me to appoint certain Hours in the Week, when Nallappen who lives near, is to instruct these People. But he is not faithful and hardly any one is faithful at Madras. I am therefore oblig'd to get Assistants from Nag^m & Tranq^r.

Feb^y 22. Sunday. Amongst the Christians of Vepery are Arch-thieves they have robbed my House, during my Absence almost of every thing, that was in it. Their Leader is the youngest Son of Kurupadam the first Catechist. He was found out, convicted before his own family, and confined. They begged to be permitted to carry him to Tranquebar in order to send him from thence to a distant Country by Sea. All was ready for his Departure. This Night he made his Escape, probably by the Help of his Father and family, who corrupted his keepers. For here is nothing but Corruption. This Evening I began my English Lectures upon the Request of several families that live at

Vepery.

Feb^y 25. Wednesday. I happen'd to meet an Alderman of the Mayor's Court, who said to me: Mr. Fabricius deals with you as Pharaoh with the Children of Israel. For yesterday was brought into the Court a Bond by which he hath mortgaged the Mission house in which you live, and the ground belonging to it. In the Evening I visited the Hospital mentioned under the 21st — I prayed, exhorted & christen'd 2 sick People.

Feb^y 27. Friday went to the Court House, saw Mr Fabricius mortgaged Bond, which he has given in April last, subjecting his Successor to the Payment of a Bond of above 1000 Pag^{rs} Principal

Principal and many Years Interest, if he will have the Mission house, under the Pretence of having built it at his own Cost, and which he has confirmed but a few Days ago in Jail. I wrote to him, asking, what the Temptation had been, that had induced him to such an Act? He wrote me for Answer these words "The older I grow the more foolish I am. Please to declare, that what I have wrote is null and void." How this Affair will end, God knows.

March 1. Sunday Christen'd a Malabar Woman, which afterwards was married to a European, a Watchmaker. I examined her before the Congregation for about an Hour. She answered to all the Questions with so much Readiness and Devotion, that the whole Congregation was astonished at it, and myself highly delighted with it. Excepting these last Weeks since my Return from Nagapatnam, she hath been chiefly instructed in her own House, which is at some Distance from Wepury by Tasanaicken.

March 8. Sunday. Both the English Chaplains of Fort St George being indisposed, I preached in the Fort Church at their Request.

March 9. Monday. I was spoke to by several Gentlemen, and in particular one, who was commissioned by one of the Directors of the Female Asylum, exhorting me not to decline the Superintendency of this Asylum. They said, that without my Assistance it would not go on.

March 13. Friday. Christen'd at the Portuguese Evening Lecture a Child of a Ship's Captain, who arrived here with his Wife from Bombay.

April 5.