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make Mystical applications, but they forbear, as soon as they find, that one has a Knowledge of their renowned Solemn Things.

23. . . . After several Impediments and delays we Administered to Day the first time the Sacrament to the Malabarian Congregation, Besides us the Communicants were three Men and three Women, partly of our domesticks, and partly Servants of the Company.

Likewise to day H. preached his first Malabarian Sermon upon the first Article of the Creed. So we had to day a double reason to acknowledge and thank Divine goodness for carrying us further in our Business, and are excited to hope, that we shall see yet more assistance and progress.

In the latter end of this Month, another Malabarian Boy was admitted to the English Lessons.

We continue to preach in the Portuguese Congregation upon the Epistle to the Romans, and in the daily Catechisations the literal explanation of the first Epistle to the Corinthians has been begun.

The Malabarian Sermons have chiefly been upon Luke the XXIV.

After some interchange of Letters, at last the Reverend Mr. Howard wrote us from Madras, that the affair about our Silver &c. had been recommended to Governor Penyon, and this his Honour had engaged himself to take care that every thing should be managed to our desire.

31. . . . We Received a Letter from Mr. Schulze, in which he promised upon our desire to procure us 200 Pagodas more. This was very acceptable to us, being reduced exceedingly at the end of this Month.

June.

8. . . . H. begun to day to Catechize in the Malabarian Language the few grown Children of our Congregation, to which Instruction the Catechumens are likewise Admitted. He intends with Divine Assistance to do this Thrice every week.

21. . . . The Matrimony of one of our Malabarian Congregation was solemnized, after the banns had been Published on Three preceding Sundays.

In the Malabarian Sermons one of us has begun to preach upon some Psalms of David, and the other upon the Articles of the Christian Faith.

After a mature deliberation we dismissed this Month the Old Man, who hitherto had served us a Malabarian Schoolmaster. It was a long Time before we could come to this Revolution, being very sensible that Things are not always the better for changing. But we found at last a