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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 Benyon, 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

Necessity to dismiss him for the following reasons. He being about 70 Years of Age, grew very incapable for his business. He neglected to attend us on the appointed hours when he should assist us in the Language though repeated admonitions we endeavoured to keep ^{him} in order. He was likewise careless in the School, and did several things underhand, without acquainting or asking our consent. But the chiefest reason was, that after a Conversation of three years with him, we did not see the least Probability of bringing him over to Christianity. Though this was one of the reasons of his being taken into the Service, as mentioned in Journal of April 1739. It was discovered by his discourses and Actions, that he was a most rigorous Predestinarian, though sometimes he would talk like an Atheist who believed nothing at all. Sometimes he would express himself in a very high Mystical strain. He pretended to have a Skill in Soothsaying and foreboding by signs, so that some of his Countrymen had a great notion of him that way. His aversion from Christians Religion was so great, that he was not only very uneasy when we began to discourse about it, but we could not by any means bring him to read our Books, though it was attempted more than once under the pretence of hearing his Opinion about the Language.

Another Schoolmaster ^{of this place} ~~was taken of this place~~ ^{Mutter} in his Room, and time will shew what success we shall have with him.

John Ernest Guentert.

John Zacharias Kiernander.