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how he was minded. I admonished him to do, ^{so} but in the mean time, to pray earnestly to God, who has loved all the world so that he gave his only begotten Son Jesus Christ for to be our Redeemer, that he would have mercy upon him and all his relations; enlighten their understanding and turn their hearts to their Redeemer.

I assured him, that the Divine Providence would find means to deliver him from all his fears and troubles.

This is an eminent Family amongst the natives, and is reckoned worth at least 6000 Pagodas.

In the Portuguese Sermons, the Second Epistle to the Corinthians and in the Malabar Sermons the Catechism has been continued. In the Portuguese School the Scripture Lectures have been explained in the Portuguese language.

November.

3. 4. 5. I had continual visits of the natives and inhabitants of this Town. The discourses went chiefly upon those points of Religion as has been mentioned before.

6. In the evening the Gentleman cherchand, mentioned

under September 15th visited me together with a number of his relations and attendants. As I found him now, as well as before, only curious to know this or that, I talked more carefully with him, and told him, that all his curiosity would not do and that, if he knew all the will of God and his Commandments and did not practise it, he was the worse for it. This he seemed at first not to like, but afterwards told: I must give him a little time to ~~think~~ consider of those things, he could not so soon take a resolution.

When this man was gone, the Chalanian Cherikan, mentioned under October the 31 cometh alone without any attendants at all, as always has been his custom, when he cometh to me. Because he daire not let anybody know what he is talking with me, for Fear of his elder Brother. He told me now, that he had spoke to his Younger Brother, and that he was of the same opinion with him, but that, for Fear of the elder Brother, he would not as yet do any thing. He remaineth with me till near 10 a clock in the evening. I gave him as good instruction as I could, how to behave in these circumstances.

11. A Preparation for Baptism was begun, and a little girl

amongst these catechumens, was taken into the Chalabarian School.

27. Being the first Advent Sunday, the Lords Supper was administered to 8, persons of the Portuguese congregation amongst whom two received the Sacrament for the first time.

29. The above mentioned Gentou Merchant, having several times desired me to come to see him, accordingly this evening I went to his house, where I was received civilly according to their way. As soon as I began to talk any thing to my purpose, he soon evaded it and began some other discourse. For which reason I did not stay long, but took my leave of him. He promised to come soon to see me.

In the Portuguese Sermons, I have for this month set aside the Second Epistle to the ~~Long~~ Corinthians, and treated upon the doctrine of the Lords Supper. In the Chalabarian Sermons, the explanation of the Catechism has been ended. In the Portuguese School, the same Scripture Sentences as last Month has been explained in the English language.