

world. The Paravas had been converted ten years before St. Francis went to India, but he found them ignorant of everything about religion, except that they were Christians.

The Paravas spoke the Malabar tongue. St. Francis spoke Castilian. Neither understood the other. With difficulty, St. Francis found a few men who spoke both languages. With their help, he translated the Catechism into Malabar, and learned it by heart himself. Then going through the villages, ringing a bell, he collected the people twice a day, and taught them the Catechism.

In a month the children knew it. They in turn taught it to their neighbors. St. Francis often sent the children to visit the sick, and to pray with them. He set to simple music the Lord's Prayer, the Hail Mary, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. These prayers were sung as the people worked and played. The children sang at the top of their voices as they romped in the roads.

When he had converted and taught the Parvas, St. Francis went to Travancore, then to Manaar, Jafanapatam and Meliapoor, of which mission fields we shall talk next month. Trace on the map St. Francis Xavier's journey from Lisbon to India.

Find Mozambique where he was delayed six months.

Locate Goa, Cape Comorin, Travancore, Manaar, Jafanapatam, Meliapoor. Describe the Ganges.

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"It is certain, and this certainty is unspeakably dear to all Christians, that the Blessed Virgin, obeying the merciful desires of her Son, has consented to divide with all men the limitless love that she had for Jesus Christ. In our desolation, in our distress of every kind, when we prostrate ourselves at the feet of the crucified God, we will not arise before having the Saviour say to us once again: "Behold Thy Mother!"

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