



THE
HISTORY
OF THE
Church of *Malabar*,

FROM

The time of its being first discover'd
by the *Portuguezes* in the Year 1501.

Giving an Account of

The *Persecutions* and Violent *Methods* of the
Roman Prelates, to Reduce them to the
Subjection of the Church of ROME.

Together with the

SYNOD of DIAMPER,
Celebrated in the Year of our Lord 1599.

With some *Remarks* upon the *Faith* and *Do-*
ctrine of the *Christians* of *St. Thomas* in the
Indies, agreeing with the Church of *En-*
gland, in opposition to that of *Rome*.

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TO THE

Right Reverend Father in GOD,

GILBERT,

By Divine Providence Lord Bishop
of *SARUM*, and Chancellor
of the most Noble Order of the
GARTER.

May it please your Lordship,

Whatever your Thoughts may
be of all that can be called
mine in this Work, I am certain you
will approve of the design I had in
making

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The Dedication.

making it publick; which was to satisfy the World, That there has always been a considerable visible Church upon Earth, that never believed the Doctrines of the Pope's Supremacy, Purgatory, Transubstantiation, Adoration of Images, Auricular Confession, &c. To which good End, if this Treatise should any ways contribute (as I am persuaded it must) I am then secure, that for that Reason alone you will pardon any Mistakes I may have made in putting it together; as also the Presumption of inviting you to read it, by prefixing your great Name to it; a thing I should never have ventured to have done, had I not found by experience your Lordship's Candor and Goodness to be equal, to the known exactness of
your



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*your Judgment. I beg your Lordship's
Blessing, and am,*

My LORD,

Your Lordship's most humble

and most obliged Servant,

MICHAEL GEDDES.

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Principal Matters contained in the

H I S T O R Y

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Church of *Malabar*.

A *Bd-Jesu* or *Hebed*, who, p. 13. Sent by the *Chal-daan* Bishops with the Submission of their whole Church to the Pope, the Council of *Trent* then sitting, *ibid*.

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Cunahle



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