

health in the South of France and various parts of Italy, which she found it impossible to enjoy at home. In the South of Europe, therefore, she resided some years, till at length her health appeared so much improved, that she thought she might venture again to return to her native land. She had no sooner reached her native shores, however, than she relapsed into her former state of weakness; and a residence there of a few months convinced her friends that it was in vain for her to hope for the enjoyment of health in the north of Europe. Thus debarred the comfort arising from the enjoyment of her family connexions, she felt constrained to look out for some climate better suited to her debilitated constitution. Among other countries pointed out to her, one of her friends suggested India, as likely from the mildness of its climate to agree with her best. She immediately made up her mind to the voyage, intending to settle at Tranquebar, his Danish Majesty's chief settlement in India; and Mr. Anker, one of the Directors of the Danish East India Company, who had been long acquainted with the family, recommended her in a particular manner to the care and kindness of his brother, General Anker, then Governor at Tranquebar. That gentleman also, during her stay at Copenhagen, put "*Pascal's Thoughts*" into her hands, from reading which she received her first genuine religious convictions.

While Tranquebar was her object, however, Divine Providence, who had in reserve for her a blessing infinitely superior to bodily health, was pleased so to order things, that she came in a ship bound to the Danish settlement of Serampore, where she arrived early in the year 1800. Here she was received with great respect by Colonel Bie the Governor, and other Danish gentlemen residing there, and no opportunity offering of her immediately going to Tranquebar, she made up her mind to settle there. It happened that about three months before this, Messrs. Marshman, Ward, Brunsdon, and Grant, (of whom the last was then dead,) had arrived at Serampore from England, and had been persuaded by the good old Governor to settle at Seram-