

Sat.  
gri: 12. 6. 25.

Baba came back from Bombay tonight at 10.30.

Before retiring for the night he however made enquiries about all and sundry. The hospital patients were particularly enquired for and late in the night all were asked to go ~~to~~ sleep.

Sat.  
gri: 13. 6. 25.

From the early morning Baba started inspecting personally all over Thakurabad. The 'un-touchable' school building roof and ventilations were found to be leaking, some tar parafins recently brought from Bombay were given to cover up the gaps. The Marathi school building walls recently plastered in Baba's absence were found to be cracked. He instructed for its retouching and whitewash. Amongst the patients in the hospital one was reported having contracted cold and stiff joints owing to his having slept on the ground after leaving the bed in a fit of insanity a couple of days ago. The staff was reproached for allowing him to

do so and all of them (including the Doctor) were once again instructed at length to exercise great care in looking after the sick and their treatment. The particular patient was often enquired and looked after by Baba throughout the day. In the afternoon Baba found that Kisan master was not present in his class as per the time table. He was searched for here and there but to the great amazement of all there was no sign of him. Enquiries were instituted in the village and all surrounding place where he could have gone to but all to no purpose. His bedding and clothes were found to be all intact. As to the possibility of his having gone away to home was also out of the question as only the other day Baba had asked him to go home for a few days to his father but he had voluntarily refused the offer for the present. Baba kept on ~~enquiring~~ enquiring<sup>t</sup> the mandali every now and then and did not let any body at rest. Even the surrounding wells were also searched by some, while Behramji went to the station and had a look in the outgoing trains without any success. Along with this excitement the boys and the mandali were treated to excellent sweets that Baba had brought from Bombay for them.

In the evening a full dress drill of the boys was held near the school. The newly brought waist belts were prominently attractive on the Khepi <sup>into the</sup> which the boys had put on.

The Bhajan recited by the boys tonight was greatly appreciated by Baba. Their chief teacher Arjoon was highly spoken of and encouraged by Baba.

At 9.45 in the night Kisan master suddenly appeared before <sup>Baba</sup> with quite an unconcerned look on

his face. The simple reason of his disappearance was sleep. To give his own words of explanation "Owing to ear ache I could not sleep well in Bombay for the last five or six days and finding myself very sleepy this afternoon I retired in the unshed tank building over the hill and slept soundly in the quiet there" But his "sound sleep" had made many loose their usual sleepy condition this afternoon. Inspite of the great trouble and anxiety caused to all by his uninformed absence, Baba did not take him to task. On the contrary he was given genuine to avoid chill and fever as he had slept on the cold concrete of the tank room for so long. But ~~all~~ he was strictly enjoined never to go away like this anywhere without permission and information.

Sun 14. 6. 25.

Amongst the visitors to Baba today, some members of a local Parsi family known as Sattas ~~were~~ had also come for his Darshans. Their presence was marked prominently owing to the young Tar Sattas plain white dress of Khaddar including the much talked of Gandhi cap on his head.

There was a considerable exodus from the mandali today. Inosh was allowed to <sup>go to</sup> join his college to proceed with his senior B.A. course. Behramji who is not keeping quite upto the mark nowadays inspite of careful local treatment was sent to Bombay for expert medical advice and treatment. Bal who cooks for the Hindus mandali has also been allowed a few days leave to go to Lonavla to see his ~~sister~~ mother ~~that~~ who is reported to be ill there.

Mon. 15. 6. 25. During his usual inspections in the hospital the scarcity of blankets was marked by Baba. Some half a dozen sheets and blankets were thereupon distributed amongst the patients this morning.

~~Baba~~ <sup>also</sup> arranged for milk and special diet for some patients according to their respective needs.

Finding some of the 'untouchable' boys in a slovenly state Baba ordered all of them to have a daily change of linen. Those who did not have sufficient clothes to do so were noted down, and Anna (Bro. Hagar Smachar Press) was asked to bring sufficient Sholars and Pairaus from Hagar the following day with the daily necessities that he has been appointed to bring every day from there. However he was asked to get payment for the things he brings promptly the very day.

Two wayfarers were amongst the visitors today. On enquiry they told Baba they belonged to Sind Hyderabad. They were out for pilgrimage and had been to Kashi. ~~From~~ <sup>they were</sup> From Kashi they had started on foot since the last three months. They were two brothers. The younger <sup>one</sup> was not keeping well of late and hence they wanted to return to their native place by rail but were short of money.

Baba promised them help and asked them first to take food. Rice and Dhal <sup>the</sup> were given to them with which they cooked their own food.

At 10. P.M. Baba sent the two brothers with Vishwanath to the station instructing the latter to provide them with Ry tickets for their destination.

The daily Bhajans by the boys are getting more and more interesting every day under Arjoon's leadership. Baba's personal participation therein tonight

gave enhanced charm to the divine recitations. So much so that all began to dance to the time out of enthusiasm for a long time.

Wed. 17. 6. 25.

On the invitation of Gulabrai Inchipathee Baba and a few from the mandali had been to Dahigad which is situated about 10 miles from Meherabad and inspected the former's extensive farms there. On account of Astha-Dashi today there were numerous visitors to Baba who all were seen and talked with, by him.

Maravti Mang suddenly showed signs of paralysis and began to tremble down the waist. Baba lead him into the hospital personally and arranged for his treatment.

After the usual Bhejans, a Kirtan was <sup>close</sup> held. The subject explained upon us Harsinh Inchla's life and character.

Thurs. 18. 6. 25.

While distributing <sup>brought from B' bay by Belrangji the sturdy</sup> caps to the remaining boys Baba once again asked all the boys to stick to him throughout, specially as after a few days he said he will be observing silence. In the afternoon Baba and some mandali were invited for tea at Mr Shahne's place. After having tea Baba said "one should think twice before inviting a Fakir. A Perfect Fakir would of course not let his devotee into trouble, but an advanced spiritual Person is difficult to be satisfied, and once a Fakir is invited, he should be refused nothing. Therefore it is better to leave them alone. Once a man had invited a large number of people including a Fakir. ~~He~~ <sup>Just</sup> Before the appointed time the Fakir came and asked for the dinner. The first guest

was begun to be served with the food. The Fakir began to eat with a vengeance. Vessel after vessel began to get emptied and still he asked for more. The host was an experienced man, he knew he had committed a mistake in inviting the Fakir, but to refuse him now would mean more mistake. Hence he supplied the Fakir with all the food that had been prepared for 500 people and satisfied him. Of course by doing so the Fakir blessed him but by inviting such a personality he had also run the risk of a curse."

By the evening train Baba, Jamshed and a few others left for Poona for a few days.