

Sat. 20. 6. 25.

The morning once again found Baba in
Macherabad. He returned from Poore last night at
about 11 P.M. when save for two or three members the
whole company was sound asleep. Before retiring
himself, Baba had enquired of those who were awake
as to how all the rest and hospital patients were sleeping
and also had a personal look over the sleeping mandali.

Baba had brought with him mangoes from
Poore which were duly distributed amongst the boys and
the mandali. In the afternoon a portion of the school
room ground was reaped by the mandali with 'mooroom'
and pressed with 'Chopnis'. Baba also personally took part
in the work along with the company.

A European Christian Mr Lewis, ^{Charles} Gethins was added to
the mandali today. He has come to from Poore this morning
to stay with Baba. After the usual football games and
Bhajans in the evening the company got around Baba for
salutations prior to sleep. Just then Wishwanath

was reproached for not being punctual in his Puja duties. He was given ~~fixed~~ certain fixed hours in the morning and evening for duty and attendance and concluding the subject Baba said " The beautiful mouth in the face and the dirty hole in the bottom, both these ^{good & bad} openings have to be tolerated as they belong to the same body, being a part and parcel of the one whole body. Such is the case with me, I have to take care of both good and bad. It is rightly said that :

मृदुं द्वारा द्विन द्वारा द्विन द्वारा द्विन.

If we get a boil on our arm, we cut that boil and try to improve our arm, but because of that boil we don't cut away ~~the~~ our whole arm or neither we let the boil alone ; we ~~do~~ cut it out, ~~although~~ although it is ~~there~~ for the time being a part of the arm itself. Therefore I am reproaching Vishwanath for his good alone.... "

Sun. 21. 6. 25-

A family of 'Mahars' was provided with Ry fares and travelling expenses to Bombay and a recommendatory letter on a devotee to provide them occupation by Baba.

Baba and about 16 of the mandali were invited for dinner at Arangaon Police Patel Marvalkar's house. Covers for ~~the~~ the "Untouchable" and non hindoo members of the party were laid in the outer court yard while arrangements for Baba and the rest were made inside the house, ~~but~~ but Baba took his meal along with the former group in the outer court yard.

After the dinner the Fakars and Mongos requested Baba to visit their Dhamashala which is under repairs.

Baba complied with their request and not only inspected the 'Chawdi' but visited almost each and every

of theirs' in the village. Baba's attention was drawn to the repair works of the Dharmashala, which the Dehars and Mandis said they could not manage themselves to complete owing to the lack of sufficient funds. At this Baba also promised them some help. After this Baba visited the ~~the~~ Christian teachers' house. At one of the latter place a picture of Lord Jesus Christ with His Twelve Companions was marked to be adorning a wall. Baba drew the mandalis' attention to the words printed thereunder which ran as follows:

"I have selected and appointed you....."

and reminded the mandali of the great similarity of meaning in these words and those of his short expletive given yesterday on "Sadguru: and his Circle"

Once again Doctor's brother Aburrehman specially came to entertain Baba with his choice Urdu Ghazals today. After a few hours of singing in the afternoon, he went back to Sonavla in the evening.

One of the patients in the Hospital has got his fever developed into typhoid. Baba is very carefully instructing & inspecting his treatment and nursing throughout the day and night.

In the evening after 5 P.M. it rained heavily for a long time - Baba as usual personally supervised over the boys and the mandalis' protection from chill and damp, and quinine was freely distributed with supper.

The evening Bhajans were again marked to be very enthusiastic and engrossing. Baba graced the recitations with his presence ~~throughout~~ all the time

Mon. 22. 6. 25:

Baba took ~~other~~ out of the did not look quite upto the mark today. Yet his daily inspections and supervision was carried on as usual. On the contrary Baba visited Hospital often to look up the typhoid patient who is getting worse day by day.

While all were having the afternoon food Baba came near the mandali and told them to eat ~~quite~~ fat to the full satisfaction. ~~He going into~~ He particularly enquired of Arjoon, whether he was getting and taking milk regularly every day and told him "Be very careful of your health, if it fails, there will be a great confusion in the untouchable section of the school. Its efficient management depends upon you "

Baba took down the names of about 20 of the older boys^{in the school} and gave the list to Arjoon instructing him to ask the respective parents to look for brides for these boys. The only condition was that the marriages ~~were~~ were to take place in Arjunan and the brides people will have to accept to come here for the ceremony.

A boy from the S.P.G. Industrial Home came to Baba and asked for some occupation. There being no immediate opening he was asked to search for it elsewhere but he was paid Rs 5/- for his immediate requirements before being sent away.

Tues. 23. 6. 25.

The typhoid patient Raghunath Bhan Goswamy is found to be in a hopeless condition in the hospital since this morning. Baba very frequently goes near him and consoles his relatives saying "If he dies here in my atmosphere he will get freedom and now he has no pains, on the contrary inspite of his such an external

condition, internally he is quite peaceful and contented"

A stranded muscular boy ~~was~~ on approaching Baba, was provided with motor fare to his native place Srinagar this morning. A free fight occurred between two boys of the untouchable section of the school today and one of them was seriously hurt by another on the nose with a slate. The victim got a bleeding nose ^{as a} result. The master being reported to Baba he made thorough enquiries and examined witnesses and then established the guilt of the second boy conclusively. Then turning towards Arjoon ~~and~~ the chief teacher and manager of the boys and a few others of the mandali who were present there, asked them what punishment be given to the boy. Some suggested beating, one said he should be made to stand for half an hour out of the school and so on. Baba asked the boy if he was guilty. He admitted in the ~~affirmative~~ affirmative. Then all the boys of the school were asked to select any of the suggested punishments. Opinions were found to be widely divided, some even asked for a free pardon.

The boy himself was asked by Baba, which punishment he liked best. But he would say nothing, finally Baba asked him to bow low on the feet of every boy in the school as a punishment of the assault. He was also warned to be very careful in the future on pain of dismissal outright. During the evening round in the hospital Baba found a patient without proper bedding for which Dama was given a sound slap on the face and the patient was supplied with three empty gunny bags to be spread under his bedding.

Goswami died in the early hours of the night. The hindoo mandali was instructed to arrange for ~~the~~ final disposal of the body according to their own ^{rites} rights.

Wed. 24. 6. 25. Baba and mandali accompanied the funeral of Gowswami to the local cremation ground of Bungam. Thereafter Padri and Pendulam (Aspandiar) were asked to get the dispensary and hospital ~~washed~~ flooring washed out and the dead man's belongings disinfect. Under Baba's supervision Pendu did not leave a stone unturned in providing a very careful nursing to Gowsawmy while the same can be said of Dr Karkel's treatment. Yet for all that Gowsawmy found the call from ^{the} Beyond too irresistible and had to yield in the end.

Owing to the monsoon weather special lights were arranged on big posts to illuminate the extremely dark nights from today. The blind Gangat vanjara and a small mohammedan boy from Ahmednagar entertained Baba with interesting Bhajans and Ghazals.

Baba has appointed Rustamji as the Director of the sports to be held tomorrow, a programme about the same has already been drafted and arrangements begun.

Thurs. 25. 6. 25. Immediately after all had tea as usual this morning that the Sports programme was begun from 7 A.M. For about three hours a very interesting and amusing time was passed as the morning programme included gunny bag races, high jumps, donkey races etc. The last named item was the most humorous and ^{was} greatly appreciated by the partisans and spectators alike. The noteworthy feature being Baba's active participation in this race and riding his donkey so well as to lead the unwilling and kicking animal first at the "winning post". After the meals Baba & party went to Mr Shahne and Hades Buas houses for tea.

At 3 P.M. again the sports programme was resumed amidst great enthusiasm and pleasure.

The chief features of the afternoon sports which lasted till about 6 P.M. were the cycle races and a tug of war between the Marathas and Dakers of Arangam. The usual Thursday crowds for Baba's darshans lent additional zest to the highly successful function.