

Friday 26th Nov '26

KING'S ROAD, P.O. AHMEDNAGAR
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The mandali woke up this morning at six o'clock. It was a fine morning and Lonavla ~~were~~ one of its loveliest atmospheres. They also got a proper idea of the fine surroundings of the bungalow in the golden sunshine of the rising sun.

After two years of hard toil and privations the happy change was indeed a great holiday for them all. All were completely absolved from doing any regular work and there was no restriction on food too.

As a result of which bread-butter and milk-tea that was served to all at seven o'clock provided a very welcome breakfast for them.

At 8.30. in the morning a formal meeting was called forth when all were informed with some new rules to be observed during the stay in conformity with the new circumstances, and many existing restrictions were removed for the time being. Baba also declared a programme for Himself and informed all that for sometime every afternoon He will pass the time with ^{the} ladies.

Cards were played by Baba and a party of seven more members for sometime before dinner. The latter was served out ^{at} twelve o'clock in the noon and consisted of early vegetable 'Pulao'. As arranged Shri passed sometime with the ladies in the afternoon. In the evening an hour or two were passed very amusingly by Baba and most of the mandali in playing marbles in the garden! Dadachanji was the only member who seemed to be at work at the type-writer in 'tapping' out Baba's recent explanations the whole afternoon. Referring to these explanations Shri was understood to have conveyed today, that though they

were found to be so very interesting, they were nothing in comparison with the 300 pages of notes that Shri had put down with His own hands at Hyderabad "all these three hundred pages are again ~~so~~ merely short points which when fully developed will cover volumes and they are all full of secrets which have so far never been divulged by any Saint or Prophet" added Baba.

The mandali were also given permission to go out for a walk towards the surrounding hills and lakes but none went out today. Messrs Syedzahib Gamader, Chowdhry and Bar-Soap came to see Baba from Poona in the evening.

Waman Dani also joined the mandali from Ahmednagar today as he was left out there the other day, there being no room in the motor lorries and his missing the train. He had to undergo great inconvenience through all this which Shri attributed to his having insisted going ~~too~~ home and also disregarding or forgetting Baba's instructions in returning back at the proper time. With a tasty supper and some more card playing the jolly good day came to a happy termination when at 10 o'clock all retired for the night, save Baba who had a long discussion with Ramjo & Doctor upto 10.30 and then with Bar-Soap upto mid-night.

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All got up at 6.30. in the morning and enjoyed the same breakfast as yesterday at 7.30 o'clock. Amongst the letters received by Shri this morning one was from Baboo at Poona, offering to bring SadaShiv singer for a day for Shri and mandalis' entertainment. The same was read to all and opinions were invited whether to let the singer come or not. All were found in favour of a musical treat and accordingly Baboo was sent word to

to bring Sadashiv on Tuesday next. At 6th o'clock Baba and a few of the mandali motored to Khandala and visited Ramjoo and Doctor's Flour mill there.

While returning back Shri was pointed out ~~the~~ Dr Biwalkar's Health Home, a medical institution for drugless healing opened recently by the latter.

Baba signed the car to be stopped and enquired of the Doctor if He could come in? This was a very ^{pleasant} surprise for Dr Biwalkar who had specially been waiting with his family in the compound to get a passing Darshan of Shri since he came to know that Baba was to pass his institution while going to Khandala. Hence the Doctor was all smiles in welcoming Baba. Shri went over the premises from room to room, 'asked' some questions and signing the Visitors Book, ^{again took to the car} defected and joined the mandali in the bungalow within half an hour of His departure. He was rather angry to find that during His short absence some of the mandali had gone, ~~to~~ out for a walk knowing full well that ~~the morning~~ He was to pass with them the morning. Besides this Bar-Soap caused a great trouble to Baba with his obstinacy in not going away to Poona as per orders and also assuming a sense of "super-natural" understanding.

It was indeed a great patience and forbearance that Shri displayed in ~~trying to~~ dealing with Bar-Soap. The pig-headedness showed by Bar-Soap in interpreting Baba's instructions, obeying them whenever it suited his whims and disregarding them if they were against his own inclinations made almost all the mandali disgusted with him, but Shri remained quite calm.

and collected inspite of it all. Save for this botheration the day was passed again very happily. There were some visitors from the town whom Baba granted interviews but ordered that thereafter all who came and wanted to see Him be asked to come on the 3rd. Peshotan was given the duty of a watchman on the gates to carry out these instructions.

Marbles were again played by Shri and Mandali in the evening. After supper Baba and a party sat for card-playing. During the progress of this game at nine o'clock Shri asked Ramjo to bring baked gram & rice 2gms each from the Bazar. When they were brought all were allowed to take handfuls of them with chillies and salt. Shri & all enjoyed this peculiar treat with a great gusto. At ten o'clock all retired for the night.