

COURT STAFF
Tues. 10th May 27

At about ten o'clock this morning Baba and some five or six mandali members went to Ahmednagar to participate in the "Sacred thread" ceremony at one of Shri's devotee's ~~house~~ house in the city. After the ceremony and after allowing hundreds of people His august Darshans, Baba also visited the houses of some more devotees. Here again at every place quite a little crowd was found having gathered round Baba to pay Him their respects. After a very busy hour Shri and the party came back at Acherabad by eleven o'clock.

Thanks to the prompt steps taken by the mandali under Shri's instructions in the case of that girl's assault, the police have begun to move in the matter. A police officer had specially come for investigations in the village and also at Acherabad this noon. Here he took down in writing the evidence of Rustomji and Ramjoo. Rustomji had also to go to Ahmednagar in this matter today.

During Rustomji's absence a ballast train came and stopped near the new well and the Wopean officer in charge began to get the stones dug out from the well filled in the train without even asking for a formal permission. When this was reported to Shri, Baba at once passed instructions to stop them from doing so, however Shri was kind enough to let them keep the stones that they had already ~~taken~~ taken in. The officer protested in vain that he already had permission from Khan Sahab for the removal of the stones, but Baba remained firm and did not let him take any more of the material which was badly required for levelling the

proposed new play-grounds here. On Ruston's arrival it transpired that it was well that the railway people were stopped from taking away the stones, as no permission had been given to them.

Baba again passed a few hours today in the Ashram.

The printer's devil played a ~~humorous~~ humorous trick in the proofs of the Ashram rules. One of the regulations were printed to read:

"Once married the student shall on no account whatever leave the Institution until he has finished the complete course"

~~Instead~~ Instead of "Once admitted" the word "married" had somehow crept in. Ofcourse the mistake was corrected but not before all had a hearty laugh on it.

After the usual story repetitions all retired for the night.

Wed. 11th May '27.

Enquiries continue to come in from prospective parents and guardians for the admittance of their respective children into the new Ashram, and the number of boys already admitted has reached to . Some extension of the Ashram premises is already on foot and materials such as C. I. Sheets Bamboo-matting and Bamboos have arrived today. In the course of a stray discussion with Rustonji Shri conveyed that He wanted to see this Institution well-established and upto His own ideals before He begins to speak. Once He began to speak He will have

many more important matters to attend to, including
the Perfection of His Circle which could not be done
^{now} so long as Hazrat Babajan retains ~~the~~ her gross body.

Therefore He is very anxious to bring this new
Institution on such a level that when He speaks
He can entrust it, to be continued properly by a
trustworthy and sincere worker like Mr Borkar from
amongst His followers, and then start on tours.

The question of raising a permanent building
was also referred to by Baba. If it is taken in
hand, Sri further conveyed, that the work will be
entrusted to one of the well known architects of
Bombay and the building will be so modelled
as to ~~give~~ contain the emblems of all the principal
religions in the world besides ~~the name of His~~
~~own~~ a prominent sign of its founder. As to the
mandali and the boys Baba conveyed, that all
of them are indeed very fortunate. The former,
who are passing through the ordeals here, have the
great advantage of being pushed towards God-
Realization through the secret inner workings;
similarly ^{for} the latter - the Ashramites - the stay in
the Ashram will go a great way in taking them
further and further towards the same goal and
if a result is not perceptible in the present life
~~the same~~ ^{it} was bound to happen sooner or later
after a few more births.

Later in the day, Baba abruptly asked
of Dhakay and Disal through His usual gestures,
whether they were regularly observing His instructions
about the daily Meditations. Getting the replies
in the negative from both of them, ~~He after some~~

after a little while Shri sent them words through Vishnos to pack off from His surroundings.

In spite of this order Dhakay was found to be sitting about Baba during the usual "Santon Blake" story repetition after supper.

However when the story was finished, and Baba was on the way to the zhopdi, He chanced to stop in the midway, and in the course of some remarks conveyed a reference to the members going to the length of breaking His orders and as a example cited Dhakay's case. The latter was called up and asked as to why he did not obey Shri. Dhakay denied having deliberately disobeyed Baba but said ~~it~~ he did not remember at all about this order. Shri accepted this explanation, and pardoned him, but conveyed, that there was no harm whatsoever from any other point of view if the members did not do a particular thing ordered about excepting harming themselves. And so He did not wish that they should break orders and then suffer. Better don't stay ~~with me~~ here than deliberately break the orders. The consequences are very grave. If Dhakay and Gisal don't wish to Meditate, they should say so and get freed of the order as Padri and Pendoo have done. That would be quite alright.

And with this last remark Shri began to proceed towards the zhopdi. After a few moments of hesitation, Dhakay ran after Baba and asked for the freedom from the duty of Meditating on the plea that he could not concentrate

his mind properly and so did not like it too.

Baba granted the request, but through a humorous jesture asked Ramjoo, who happened to be nearby, to ~~mediate~~ take up the duty left by Dhakay but even Ramjoo requested to be excused from it. Thereupon in the same lighter vein Shri ~~ordered~~ passed an order for Ramjoo Dhakay and Padri to relate before Him every night a "Seaton Blake" story by turns instead of meditations and this was cheerfully accepted by them. The mandali and the boys had a treat ~~because~~ of sweets today from Kaikhasroo Inasa for his birthday.