

Thurs. 14. 7. 27.

"Work drives the Devil Away"

A poor looking hindoo who was a tailor by caste came to Baba and said he was out of work for a long time and wanted some occupation. Shri at once complied with his request and sent him to the new cricket pitch under preparation and signed at him to roll it with the roller. The man began to do the work but after a short time was found to have disappeared so suddenly as he had come!

There were the usual Thursday visitors to Baba in the day and the tea party was also enjoyed at Kaka's place at 3 P.M. Bhansheb recited a few Bhajans at four o'clock.

Baba gave a private interview to Dastoorji and instructed him about some literary work.

Fri. 15. 7. 27.

Parties in the assault case of the girl who was beaten by her husband, a relative of Zebha, came round today and agreed to mutual settlement.

Shri again discussed the subject of Hindoo Poken

riots with Mr Angal pleader and the mandali. While the chief topic in the night discussions today was the Rangila-Kasool case reported in yesterday's game. Shri also played chess with Doctor and heard Jamshedkhan, Burjore and Ardeshir sing a song each.

Sat. 16. 7. 27.

Discussing about Dhakay's case Baba explained today as to why he had to change his plan for Dhakay.

The furniture polishing and school sign-boards painting works were completed this morning. The work of white-washing the whole of the school premises was taken in hand at two o'clock this afternoon.

The Incherabad team for the cricket match tomorrow was selected in the evening and a few practice games were played.

Adi brought a telegram for Baba from Padri which was replied to on behalf of Shri. Baba again played a few games of chess before retiring for the night.

Sun. 17. 7. 27.

Baily came this morning with Mr Dinshaw Furwan's son and a boy for the Ashram from Poona.

When Shree went to <sup>the</sup> Ashram and remained there for sometime he advised the boy..... to keep quiet and talk as little as possible.

The whitewashing and cleaning of the whole of the school building was finished by noon.

The cricket match with P.R.C. team was commenced at 1 P.M. and two innings were played. Baba took a lively share and put up the highest score of the day.

### The School is Furnished.

After the match, under Baba's own supervision the new furniture was arranged in the school and different

classes were neatly formed with a writing table and chair for the teacher, a big black board on a ~~brass~~ tripod, a wooden box for the class things, and a number of benches and desks according to the number of students in each of the classes.

### No Arti for the Ashram Boys.

Owing to an apparently trivial reason about a simple little handkerchief Baba was seen to be in a very grave and reserved mood in the evening and remained so for a long time. The boys who had come to pay Him their respects as usual at the Arti time were asked to return immediately and Baba further added that henceforth all the Ashram boys should never take part in any ceremonies including the Arti. However after some time Doctor succeeded in inducing Baba into some discussions and thus "normal atmosphere was regained". Baba heard Jamshedkhan sing again and conveyed great appreciation for the song. A cricket match was also decided to be played between the Tucherabad & Tucher Ashram teams tomorrow and the distribution of milk tea at 3 P.M.

### The advent of the Persian

#### Boys publicly appreciated

Writing in the days Sunday-Chronicle under the heading of "Eight Zoroastrians Turn Muslim" the well-known Parsi journalist L. K. R. says ".... The situation can be helped by education. But education given to Persian boys and girls in Yazd and Kerman is education wasted ... & .... There is but one way: extract Zoroastrian souls from the sink of degradation which is Yazd. In this connection I must highly commend the scheme of Surfi Tucherbaba. I do not know him personally. I must state that I cannot agree with most of his views about this world and won't quarrel with him about the next. He is, nevertheless, entirely on the right track.

He has arranged with most creditable foresight to bring about what I attempted, to no purpose, to put into reason-proof skulls....."

Mon. 18.7.27.

### The School in Form.

The Hazrat Babajan High School though worth its name in imparting secondary education was so long a primary village school in appearance. But as a result of the recent over-hauling and furnishing it looked a regular High school like any other in a city since this morning.

### The Persian Bread Oven.

The oven was completed today and the new kind of wheat-bread is begun to be served to the Tucherabad residents.

The match between the Tucherabad and Ashram teams was played in the afternoon resulting in a draw. Baba played a stylish game and scored 75 runs.

Baily translated the Persian leaflet on Tucher-Ashram publicity into Gujarati.