

Tues. 9. 11. '26. A Foss For The Darshans.

Sweets (*jalebis*) were distributed in the morning to all the mandali and the boys.

Six of the ^{boys}, ~~on~~ being reported as not ^{having got} getting up early in the morning inspite of Karim asking them to do so, were at first ordered by Baba ~~to be sent~~ away. Their clothes were taken away and they were turned out but instead of going away they remained standing under a tree by the road. Thereupon Baba recalled them and allowed them to stay after getting them caned by Asjiro. In the afternoon clouds began to gather and it soon began to rain.

Since the iron sheets had been removed from over the Tukhan and matting substituted the rains caused a great inconvenience to the mandali and it was quite a problem for them to ~~keep~~ keep the various things dry from the heavy leakage. The shower was, inspite of the great inconvenience that it caused, a blessing for the dying crops & scarcity of water in the surrounding country. It was only recently

that Baba had promised a good shower to a farmer who complained to Him for the poor monsoon. And as a further suggestive phenomenon, while talking with the same man Baba "told" him "Don't be anxious you'll get abundance of rain. It requires only the winding of the keys and everything will be as you wish"; the moment these words were ~~told~~ conveyed that it began to rain heavily to a degree. There were many visitors today whom Baba allowed to pay Him respects and which caused the mandali generally to grumble amongst themselves for the restriction imposed upon them of late. In the evening when some such outsiders walked away after paying his respects to Baba, He worked Pandoba whispering something in Kaka's ears. Baba asked the former as to what he was saying and Pandoba gave vent to the mandali's feeling of injustice in being stopped from paying respects while outsiders were freely allowed to do so. Thereupon Baba asked them to accept the chance of a toss which if they won the restriction was promised to be withdrawn.

After some hesitation it was accepted and the a coin was flung up. To their great delight the mandali found they had won & without waiting for the permission & inspite of threats from Baba all simply rushed at Him in a body and did ~~not~~ not stop till they all had His Darshan.

The rains caused great anxiety for the night and Baba not only issued special instruction for all possible protection but afterwards went out all round to see for Himself that they were carried out.

Wed. 10.11.'26.

Baba set a new ball rolling again and began to talk of going to Bombay for a few months leaving the remaining Hyderabad affair in charge of Rustamji upto the month of February. Even the names of those going with him were taken down. In the evening while discussing with Mohon & Shafee the question of external and monetary affairs and particularly replying to the former's arguments about self-support and independence Baba conveyed that :- Every one in the world in one way or the other has to depend on someone and something. Even while taking a single breath we have to depend on certain powers of nature. The things which you believe as great and necessary for your advancement, are the very things that appear to us as injurious and likely to draw one backwards in place of an advancement. It is for this reason that ~~we~~ neither we allow you to go in for such affairs nor we ~~do~~ ourselves put our mind in it. Under these circumstances the best possible thing is to depend on one who does not depend on anyone or anything!

At seven o'clock in the evening in commemoration of the Dhooni-lightening anniversary a special Arti was recited by all - at the Dhooni which ^{had} ~~which~~ been ^{properly} decorated for the occasion. And just after a few minutes of this Arti it began to rain heavily just as it ^{did} on the first occasion of the lightening of the Dhooni!

This time the heavy shower proved too much for the temporary roof over the Makai and

within a few minutes there hardly remained a dry spot in the whole of the premises so profusely was it all leaking. When the raining subsided all the mandali were asked to ^{8th} the school for the night. But before admitting at the latter place Baba caused every one of the members being examined, that none entered with muddy & wet feet and clothes. Then Baba personally allotted different portions of the building (formerly Hospital) to the different parties such as the mandali, boys, and others who had no sufficient shelter. After all had made themselves dry and cosy on their beds Baba distributed Sular-Senis (sweets) and milk tea to all and thus a gloomy wet day came to a very happy end. Just as Baba looked after the boys' and Mandali's protection from the rain He also saw personally that the Ladies were well protected and provided against such heavy showers and wind-storms too. And only after going through with all these arrangements that Baba retired himself for the night over the seat under the lime tree.

Thur. 11. 11. 26.

The talk of Baba's going away to Bombay for a few months materialized into a definite decision today.

A circular to that effect was sent round amongst the mandali intimating them with Baba's new decision when the names of those accompanying Him & those to remain here with the respective duties (for the latter) were also mentioned therein. This gave rise to much grumbling amongst those that were left out.

of the party accompanying Baba. Hence a meeting was soon convened and Baba asked all as to their own wish in the matter. Many showed their intention of going with Him and few also declared their willingness to abide by Baba's own wish & will. The latter were instructed to carry out the respective duties allotted to them always believing Baba to be amongst them. While the list of those accompanying Baba to Bombay was considerably swelled with many new names.

The usual Thursday tea party was enjoyed by all at Kaka's place in the afternoon with an additional treat of tasty eatables, followed by Bhavasheb's musical Bhajan upto 4.30. in the evening.

After a cricket match in the evening, again a meeting was held in the Tukaran when some ladies including Gulmai Sheerinmai Frosi and some others were also present. The topic centered round the reasons that induced Baba to decide for a change of stay. Baba dwelt at length on the subject. The gist of His say was that He felt tired long since with the monotony of the affairs specially with the silence and the stay at one place!

However at the conclusion Baba added that soon He will be going over the Hill for three or four days and after His return from there He will decide whether to go to Bombay or not, ~~whether~~ in any case He will make no new move before the 20th inst.

At night Shahu suddenly got fever when the mandali were severely rebuked for their indifference towards the boy's health by Baba

who then warned them to take notice of the
days and look after their health in future.