

Tue. 14. 12. '26.

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Kareem and ~~Sabnis~~ Sabnis returned from Lonavla today and their report about Ajjoon there was not very cheerful. Baba who occasionally goes for a walk at the sea-shores in the evening with some of the mandali of late, did so in the mid-night today with Adi and Kaikhosroo!

Wed. 14. 12. '26.

Baba went out for a drive in motor car with Sarosh this evening between 5.30 and 8'0' clock when Behramji, gal, Pandoo and Kaval accompanied Him to. The match-box ^{making} work is going on merrily. Baba is also ~~to~~ lending a hand at times in the work.

Thu. 18. 12. '26.

There was nothing particular to take note of for the last few days. Kaka came to see Baba from Ahmednagar on the 16th. Gopal Swami, Martan, Rajaram and Sabnis left today for their respective places. Adi and Mother Gulmai also went to Ahmednagar in the evening.

Fri. 19. 12. '26.

Sheerimai left for Poona this morning with Adi and Mani. Baba went to Charni Road at Annasidheshwar's place for a few hours this morning with Gustadji, Behramji, gal, Kaval, and Peshotan and returned to Santa Cruz at ten o'clock. The letter received this morning from Lonavla stated that Ajjoon passed the preceding night badly and that his condition is causing anxiety. Baba sent Vishnuo to Lonavla this afternoon to look up Ajjoon and report his condition.

as well as to see that he was well looked after.

At three o'clock in the afternoon Baba and some of the mandali went to the sea-shore and passed three hours there. Recent news from Poona showed that Babajan was getting more and more popular there, crowds were almost always found about Her, and that She passed most of the time sitting near the Bund Gardens and driving round Poona. Baba 'said' these were signs of Her leaving Her body, and so now He must remain as near as possible about Babajan's boundary. The ~~for~~ example of how Mahoraj also came back to Sakori from His Bengal tour at the time of Sai-Baba's 'death' was also given. Consequently the talk of a move to Talegaon was again set about. Although at first the mandali thought that the present stay at Bombay will be at least of two months of duration, but the recent references to new places has prepared them for a move at any moment, and particularly towards Talegaon. Ramji has been called over from there (Talegaon) to fix up the details.

Tues. 20. 12. '26-

As previously arranged the visitors were allowed to see Baba from this morning. As a result a large number of people interviewed Baba including Gur Padamji.

Baba discussed with the latter the question of putting up in his bungalow at Sindhgadh. After Gur Padamji's departure the mandali were also consulted as to the proposed stay at Sindhgadh. The latter too agreed with Baba in going and staying there in the quiet surroundings.

Wed. 21. 12. '26.

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There was a considerable rush of visitors to Baba throughout the day. News about Arjoon at Lonavla continued to be serious. At night the Dadar Bhajan mandali entertained Baba & party with Bhajan recitations. Ranjoo has already begun negotiations at telegram to engage a bungalow there for the mandali's stay under Shri's instructions.

Thur. 22. 12. '26

Arjoon's Death!

The bungalow at Santa Cruz was literally swarming with visitors since early this morning. Amidst all the hum-drum of the large number of the visitors a telegram was received from Lonavla that Arjoon had expired there early this morning at about five o'clock and permission to remove his remains to Poona was solicited by Dr Ghani!

Shri immediately conveyed the required permission and also instructed Dikshuts to proceed post-haste to Lonavla.

Much as the condition of Arjoon was causing anxiety to the mandali, and everyone knew that his state was serious of late, yet none were prepared for the bolt from the blues! It was all so very sudden. No doubt the deceased was keeping a very bad health since the last six months, and had become quite a changed man in comparison with his previous plump, agile and athletic body but his so sudden an end was unaccounted for. For some days after the mandali's arrival at Lonavla he was moving about them as cheerfully as the rest and always accompanied Baba whenever Shri went for a drive or walk. He had a chronic stomach trouble.

It was only on the 2nd inst that he looked seriously indisposed and was immediately removed to Dr Bivalkar's Health Home for a regular treatment on that day. Since all that he seemed to suffer was a great debility and indigestion, the Health Home with its fine food

quiet atmosphere and the great care of diet observed there was thought to be just the place for him. Then above all the climate of Lonavla was at its best which is admitted to be very beneficial for chronic ailments. Dr Bawaliar was all attention to the patient ^{from the very beginning}, as Baba had specially asked him to do his best in the case. Pure milk and abundance of rich fruit formed his only diet and all were expecting to get Arjuna back with them his old healthy self soon. But inspite of it all he began to show no improvement, although his condition was never thought serious before Baba left Lonavla.

So long as Baba was in Lonavla after Arjuna's removal in the Health Home, Shri paid a visit to him almost every day and personally saw that all possible treatment and convenience was afforded to him. Before leaving Lonavla Baba had

at the time of leaving for Bombay Shri entrusted Arjuna's case in the hands of Dr Bawaliar and Dr Ghani with instructions to spare no pains or expenses for his quick recovery as the climate of Bombay at that time was never more preferable to ~~to~~ Lonavla specially from Arjuna's point of health. But within a few days of Baba's departure to Bombay Arjuna's condition began to cause anxiety. Shri was duly ^{and} informed every day with even the slightest changes in his condition. Dr Bawaliar used to pay nearly 4 to 6 visits a day to the patient & frequently consulted other ^{qualified} leading Doctors of Lonavla in the case who were also made to examine the patient.

For the last three or four days some peculiar signs of paralysis were marked about him. Peculiar, because the attending doctors thought it very strange that in such anemic condition there could be so much blood-pressure over the brain which is the primary cause of ~~the~~ paralysis. But the fact could not be denied. During these last three days Arjuna continued to remain in a dazed condition and one of

his side was found to have become inanimate. One of the consulting physicians Dr Kauji suggested applying leeches to his head, and Dr Biwalker concurred with the former too, but the latter ^{always} exercised so great a caution in Dr Jon's case that he at once wired Baba at Bombay soliciting permission for the applying of the leeches to Arjion. Shri too immediately telegraphed His permission and the leeches were applied very successfully but all to no purpose. And attest poor Arjion breathed his last this morning! He was the only member in the Hindu mandali who was allowed by Shri to talk with Him so very freely and intimately and was one of Shri's earliest devotees, and a leader amongst the Bhoi mandali.

During the great Fakherabad Stay he played no small part and was in fact the chief worker of the school, and the person who originated the concern by teaching Bhajan to the village boys as early as during the Ghamella-yoga period in 1884. In view of these developments Baba's ~~visit~~ sudden and unsolicited ^{first} visit to the Health Home during His early stay at Tonawla is very significant.

To come to the point again, in the afternoon Dr Biwalker personally came to see Baba, ^{at Santa Cruz} and described Arjion's death in details. The first question Baba put to him was about Dr Kauji's fees and whether he had been paid or not. Dr Biwalker was greatly impressed with this simple little question because the same morning he had come across Kauji at Tonawla station when the latter had referred to his fees! The whole day the crowds continued rushing in the bungalow and inspite of the unhappy incident of Arjion's death Shri continued seeing all cheerfully and writing slates after slates in replying to the visitors, ^{about} their respective difficulties. Afterwards while discussing with

the mandali Arjio's death Shri conveyed " From my point of view it was good that Arjio 'died' Two or three days prior to his final end he was seeing me in my true form and now he is with me. He has been greatly pushed forward "

~~Feb. 20. 1926.~~ Then followed a sudden discussion about marching out of Bombay and even orders for packing up the luggage was also passed on although the place to go to has not yet been finally decided. It is to be seen whether it is going to be Sankeshwar, Sion ghat or Talegaon.