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Being Thursday today the usual cow-dung spreading ~~was~~ in the Makaan was carried out in the early hours of the morning and consequently the breakfast of milkless tea and plain Jawari bread was taken by all in the open air. The boys were bathed in the afternoon, followed with the usual tea party at Kaka's place. But ~~as~~ ~~and~~ Baba did not stop here long and ~~for~~ did not give any explanation as is generally the rule, and after tea ~~we~~ came back to the school premises and asked all to take up the remaining minor work with vengeance.

Just as yesterday the mandali were again continually goaded into a very fast activity as Baba insisted upon the work being all completed to the finish. And as a result of that, the changed arrangements, <sup>festivities</sup> were completed by this evening in a record time.

A telegram was received by Baba today saying that His mother was seriously ill.

Baba was just discussing these contents with the mandali and referring to the news of His Grand-mother's death only ~~day before yesterday~~ the other day that a ~~procession~~ marriage procession with a wild din of the village music came for His Darshan. Baba at once left aside the telegram and stopped the discussions as if nothing serious had happened, and smilingly greeted the visitors. After some formal ceremonies Baba blessed them all and particularly the newly coupled pair. Between 7 to 9 o'clock in the night the mandali were allowed to enjoy

themselves with music and singing ~~amongst~~ themselves. When Baba also seemed to be greatly amused with the gaiety.

Rustoji was sent to Bombay this evening in connection with the clothings etc required in the school as well as on a special mission. Baba declared Himself greatly satisfied with the management and progress of the school and other institutions and particularly eulogised the services of 'Chanji'

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Baba is always alive to the minutest details of the every day life and even the question of the mandali's clothing does not escape His vigilance. Every month or two a meeting is called together when Baba personally examines the clothings and beddings of all and replenishes new things wherever necessary. Such a meeting was held this morning when those who were in need were supplied or ordered to be supplied with the necessary new clothings and coverings.

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Baba was invited today at the Bhisti Bang at Ahmednagar which was visited in the afternoon in company with 16 members from the mandali in a motor lorry. After having a round in the gardens

Baba and party paid a visit to the Anath Ashram which is conducted by a very pious Hindu Recluse who received them all very cordially. Tea and fruits were also served to the party here. One of the ~~blind~~ boys who is blind and comes regularly for Baba's darshans at Incherabad was promised eye-sight by Baba at the time when He began to speak!

The party returned back at Incherabad at 5 o'clock in the evening.

The Madrasi Yogi who had come to Incherabad only a few days ago in search of divine guidance and who was given the peculiar instructions *ṛāṇa mūṇa mūṇa* etc (see 319) declared himself unwilling to stay any longer. On deeper enquiries it was found out that his main complaint was about disagreeable food! Baba allowed him to go away but remarked through writing "वर्तमाने ३ एते मूढे मूढे ३ एते मूढे!"

~~Reports~~ Nowadays reports come in from Poona and Securi that Babajan at times rests her head on Baba's photo and sheds tears while Kabarij sends some visitors to Incherabad telling them *अस्य ३ एते मूढे मूढे ३ एते मूढे* or i.e. what is here, go there.

In the same way from the numerous visitors coming to Baba under Narayan Incheraji's direction it seems that He too frequently remembers Baba these days!!

At night Baba conveyed to the boys to stick to Him strictly until He speaks under any circumstances. Those who remain with Him till the time of His speaking were promised



a tremendously great benefit (3000 or 3500).

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Keerthaji returned from Bombay today and brought a big basket of sweets with him. The same was distributed amongst the boys and the mandali by Baba. From 9 to 11:01 clock in the morning Mr Anjal read the Puran before all as is usually the case every Sunday. In the noon Mr Inoolidhar (a tailor from Conasla) who is a ~~new comer~~ has joined at Incherabad since recently had some trouble with Behramji. The latter thought him to have deliberately disobeyed and so ordered him out of the work shop.

Accordingly Inoolidhar went out and sat under one of the Lime trees. At tea time however he came in the Insharn before Baba when the dispute came to Baba's notice. Baba held both the parties responsible for the unpleasant episode while "said" that Inoolidhar had broken his order by stopping the work (duty given by Baba himself) and going out. Even in spite of Behramji's order he ought to have stuck to his post until ~~forced~~ actually forced <sup>out</sup> with violence. ~~out of it~~

Baba also warned Behramji never to turn out anybody without express orders from Him to do so and to report such serious cases of disobedience to Him for necessary action. At 5 P.M. when Baba

was witnessing the cricket match played by the boys since this afternoon, some misunderstanding again rose between Behramji and Baba himself.

As a result, the former, was so excited that he actually began to walk away from Ineharabad!

Of course some of the mandali members ran after him and brought the enraged superintendent of Ineharabad back before Baba, and after some time the normal atmosphere prevailed again.