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In the Morning, there was a special private
Meeting, in Sherin's cabin with Rev. Mr. Kestel, head of
The Question of the education of the boys kept with them
was much discussed. ^{strange} Rumours were afloat in Nagas &
Surrounding villages that the boys were not learning, and
fewer up studies - that they all are taught nothing, giving up
of everything material. Boys were going away one by one,
being demanded by their parents or guardians, etc. It was
not good for good boys to go away one by one - as was
happening for the last few days. The original aim of the mission
was Spiritual training, faith, & advancement
and to that direction, the minds of all were being hurried, when
such silly & unfounded rumours were spoiling the whole
game & must be remedied. Spiritual uplift, the
main aim must remain; at the same time, others who
couldn't create love, & showed less inclination towards
the spiritual line, must study, & not take advantage

of the situation, & while away their precious time, in
idle thinking, & indifference of Studies etc. in
Copying out the other - real Premiers, who were
fain to-day, to go again to school, & attend to Studies
as before. This was a forced duty, imposed upon
the poor little innocent. Keddies, effected already
by love and warmth of thee, & was too much for their
age & capacity; and thee of course knew it. Yet
he did force it - just at least to wipe off the effects of
the dirty rumors re: ashram, and put ^{it} in the mind
of people once again that the boys were again studying
- a bluff though, ^{to get the Signatures of some real Privy of boys} but forced. The bygone privately
taken into Confidence & explained the situation, and
though quite Unwilling to go back to school, their love
for thee urged them to listen to his word, and help him
in his attempts to alter the awkward situation thus
Created, and all willingly agreed, & came to school -
It was indeed a great test for the young Chapt. This plan

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Could also assist in eventually training out who were real as
who were "imitators". - The help though sent to School,
was given special instructions - Not to involve
themselves in the Studies, & forget & diminish
the love already created. That love must
remain, rather increase daily. Otherwise the result
would be the reverse, & the original aim thwarted.

This step was only to avert the Situation, & must not
be given any undue importance. It was LOVE
that was always the first & foremost condition ^{it} must
remain so. It should not be sacrificed for any, any
thing. Rather everything should be sacrificed for it.

The "Kernel" of Aga Ahle

This little bird, the pet of Shree, already having tasted
the first dose & still ^{is} under its effects, as yet had
impressions & saw Shree's ^{is} everywhere, but at a
distance, and tried to catch hold of, rather ^{is} afraid of,
which made him actually "Mad" apparently, running after

Something invisible etc. His mood, mind were hit
at all in his control. He knew but what he did: - even at times
gave "cut - indiscreet" replies to Sheer. But the wonder
of all was that, in spite of his deranged mental state,
his profound love for Sheer prompted him to approach
Sheer, and get his sanction for permission to go to school,
with the other boys, to help Sheer fetch his father's signature
on the bond, ^{by means of good impression upon him} if he or his friends arrived. It showed the
spirit of the little innocent loving soul, as also was a proof
positive of his unbounded ^{real} love for Sheer, for which he gave
underg. all the hard tasks & trials at school & in studies to please
Sheer & the etc. - much more than a boy of his age & under-
standing may be expected to do.

Narayana's brother came to take him, and although
he remonstrated & cried much to keep him here, the brother
didn't listen & he was taken away.

Mr. Meherji having received a letter from Nasir re:
his father's illness, is sent over there, by the evening train.

One new train -

Causes from being ruined in races etc. & desires to
stay here, and is permitted to stay.

Chota Baba - Having a cough for @ 5 days,
was given castor oil, and is given food for the
first time after @ 20 days of rice & milk

Rajaram - was ordered to stay & sleep in the "makar"
(of the Ashram staff) for to-day, and asked not to worry at all.

Mr. Karbhari - who attended to Chota Baba, was given
the duty of seeing to the boarding of helhaji, Ranaji, Rajaram
- a very trying task indeed. to look after boys whose mental faculties
& attitude were quite deranged. Who couldn't know judge their own
intention

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Thursday, 2nd February 1929

A Correction X

The whole account of the Meeting, & arrangement to send the boys kept by Shree with him to School, was put into force today. i.e. all boys were sent today.

Only a few misguided boys were sent back to School yesterday, some of their relatives being reported coming to-day, in order to create a good impression upon them etc. & to get their signatures on the agreement bond, and the boys readily took up Shree's word, came to school with the result that the forms for it were easily filled to-day. While the remaining boys were all sent back to

School today (as per arrangement explained in yesterday's apt), they were given a special example — of Shivaji who he had dedicated every thing, all his Kingdom, to his Guru Ramdas, who when told him to once again manage the affairs of the Government, readily obeyed, and did as ordered etc. Listening to the master's words, the only law, in spiritual training.

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Mr. Barber returns by the Morning train, and it is
arranged by these that he should henceforth be given 2 hours
duty of teaching at School, which was accordingly given
him to-day.

But after his return from School, his mood was entirely
changed, particularly after 4 p.m., his condition was
worse. He was actually rolling on the ground, crying or
crying like a child, unmindful of all that came about
him near him, as if quite lost to self & world. This
state of his struggle (agony) lasted for more than four
hours, till after 8-30 p.m., when he became a little quiet,
and after "Ati" Shree offered him a Sip of fresh tea,
which he very reluctantly & with great difficulty took
in. He said he found it difficult even to breathe, so
much was he choked - in his struggle. Shree remarked
to the mandali (from the case of Mr. Barber) that he readily
took up - Shree word of ^{thanking of Shree} clearing to $\frac{1}{2}$, and did it so sincerely
& with so much force that for the last One month, he

hardly spent 5 minutes without the thought of Shree,
or suffered terribly. The extent of his agony could be
readily judged from his finding it so hard to breathe even.
and for the last few days, had taken no food at all. So
much was he absorbed in Shree's love that he found but a
moment's ease (sic), and could not even seriously under-
stand to what trouble he was putting Shree by his regular
stay with Han, ^{mostly} with his head on Shree's lap, and actually
exposed himself to the remarks of all - but he had to need
to realize that Shree saw that his love - in a way - exceeded
that of Swam Ranu Tatha, who too was learned - an M.A.

Advice to buy - in the evening

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Tuesday, 7th February 1927

There was nothing particular during the first half of the day, except order to give bath to "Cholo-Baba" at noon, which was duly given by Mr. K. Achh.

Mr. Dasher

After returning from school, took bath and then came to Sat as usual near Shree. After taking bath, & putting his head on Shree's feet, he said to the amazement of all, "Baba, I can see some light in my eye"
"Where?" - "On all sides" This seemed so dazzling that when he opened his eyes to see the external (worldly) objects, they all seemed to him quite dim. So he kept eyes closed. "Have you any pain (agony)?" - No, nothing at all. My agony is all gone. I am quite quite happy etc. - happy after so many days, say about a month since - eventually, it being too hard work to breathe any more. Mr. Dasher's contribution is

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very very weak, and this spiritual strain on his body was very severe for him to sustain.

He said that "I never loved anyone in my life and you gave out, ^{you (Baba)} taught me such a love that I couldn't live without it. And it was really so - as three rightly said. You have no idea as to how he suffered during its last month - like actually a fish just taken out of water.

While thus he was all happy, reciting passages from krakara, "Om, Tat Sat" —

and also reciting shris ²⁴¹ as they here as usual by all, with gestures of head & hands, & with a little sign of even "dancing" - My agony is gone I am quite happy. Oh, what a bliss! I desire to wash the feet of my Master (M. Baba) with my hands - for showing me this light, etc and "that too" she explained "was nothing", as compared with real light, or Union, etc. - "Why" asked she "do you wish to wash your master's feet with your hands" - "To show my respect" —

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It was with difficulty, Mr. Basha could
check & stop crying - after three gave him a warm
prolonged embrace for ~~4-5~~ ⁵ minutes. He was
then ordered to be taken to his room (by Barian) ^{as he was unable to see, everything apparently dark} & asked
to take sleep, keep quiet. But he couldn't.
The recitation of pet poetical passages re. Queen (Master)
was continued still with art.

After being calmed, he fell asleep, but soon
called Bara Sahiba and said, that the blood had
run into his brain and clotted. This was what
three had previously thought, even spoken to the
doctor. The doctor was immediately called, and ordered to
give him but an Anemia, the ever typically
correct & effective remedy. And after the
the anemia was given, he remained quiet, & slept
till — While giving anemia too, he spoke to the
doctor "Take out my blood, that I may wash the feet
of my master"

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She afterwards explained that Dr. Baxter has earned something ~~and more~~. But his this "earnings" was well-deserved, as during the last one month, he hardly spent 5 minutes without thought of these - such a "terrible thought & love" he had, particularly the last 3-4 days was too severe for him, suffering actually like a fish just taken out of water. It was simply wonderful, that a man with the University degree of M. A. LL. B., who at first actually hesitated to sit on bare ground even when he talked to these men his seat, had been rotting in dust, suffering & crying like a child, unmindful of self & other people around him, and under severe weather conditions of wind, storm, rain, etc. which actually drowned him totally. For the last 2 days, he complained of being unable even to breathe - so much suffering there was, and it was on account of this continued thought of these, & love & suffering, etc. that she gave him his

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love, and the craving ~~reason-seeing~~ and then happiness,
after such a hard trial test.

Even now, what he has got is practically very
little - only the Seeing of the Divine Light 21.21.00-32 -
which "Seeing" is with even permanent. If he stands
the strain, there will make it (his) permanent 5.9.42
Other way, if the power of Seeing the Light, goes off, he
shall have to struggle & suffer terribly. For now
he has actually seen - tasted it. & if that is gone out
of his hands, the agony then will be too severe, and he
may either go "crack", leave the body, or commit
Suicide etc. But, if he stands the strain, he will
then see ^{ME} in this light, and that will be permanent.
And, if fortunately, he will see that (ME),
being a man of University learning & degree, he will
create a havoc. For, he will speak with actual
experience, what he has seen, more authoritatively
& more forcibly than by any other without experience.

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While this case of his father was being explained to him & amidst other in position, the topic took a different turn - of creating "love"

Mr. Abbas Ali was ordered by Shree, first to think daily 5 minutes ^{only} of Shree - any time would do. The best would be at 5 a.m. when Shree said, he remained almost everywhere. This little beginning of mere 5 minutes - it was remarked - will be perhaps the first step for him to enter in the line.

For if once got an interest in it, it won't go, and he will get no rest (and) till he thought of Shree for a certain time daily. For it is this real, sincere thinking that the God's want, & desire. Any amount of prayers, & chanting, & humming, & Ad - nam etc would be of no value, done without a heart or mind in it. The 5 minutes thinking (meditation or concentration) on God or Guru would be a thousand times better. God wants love, pure, sincere, heart-felt

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love, no big bombastic, jaw-breaking words, & shlokas (poets) from Shastri, panegyrs for Krishna etc. Then, turning to the 2 Persian Basters, explaining them (with all) She said "these prayer books of all religions, the Sharyah etc - the edicts of the Persians, the Quran of the Muslims, the Bible of the Christians, etc are all nothing but big "Bastans" or *astans*, and have nothing whatsoever to do with the Truth & *Isht*.
Tosastan gave out to burn your hearts "in love of God, and the Basters thereafter murdered the Meaning and changed it to burning, with the external Secrecy of the Saual eyes etc. - & all other religious dogmas & doctrines, of Kusti, & prayers of big *Arsh* etc - all *vidan* & *isht*. Take one name, sincerely, lovingly, devotedly for a few minutes, without the thoughts of any thing else, as that is More than hours of prayers recited mechanically, the mind being all the while engaged & occupied in worldly affairs etc -

Examples of basketry of old — setting prices for fish
with the fisherman or women, while praying etc. — a here
891- A cheat to God. & of course God could never be
cheated, hence cheating Self.

Zoroaster has 14 disciples, when he realized.
There was one realized, (after them 14), from him,
the knowledge of God was descended from father to son & so
on 700 years. After that, the last being basket
atzer Karwan, one false (viz) god hold of the
sacred seat (one), collected basketry etc. &
who after discussion gave their opinions as they
thought. After that, up to this time, there has been
no Realized Perfect Saint in Zoroastrianism.

Hence whatever religious books the Zoroastrians have
got now, are works of these "basketry" — not of Zoroaster.
Zoroaster had taught a few jewels of wisdom —
seems in Sufism, but are not known to the people

(Do - 5 minute Calculations daily, with out fail)

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To his special 14 disciples, he gave real knowledge
experience. To others - i.e. the world, he gave the
Tarekat of Sufism - laws, rules, regulations etc. There
were tremendous changes in these doctrines just by
Zoraster, turned by the after coming bastun. So with
Christ's Bible, Muhamad's Kuran etc for the people
Suppose - after giving experience to some - the
members of his circle - goes out in the world, lectures
before the people, these (lectures) will be taken down
by the people, & they will hereafter be taken of &
constitute as "Avesta, Bible, Injean, Veda," by the
people. These too will undergo various changes, under
different hands, as time will go on. etc.

So - my ^{best} advice to you all - is
Create love, (for God) - earn something. otherwise
these discussions of religious doctrines & dogmas of different
religions will lead you to nowhere: they are here -
everywhere, will waste your precious, which may well be

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utilized in their key of God - Meditation, concentration
& their Creation of love etc., which is the same substance
of all religions, the only essential of all creeds etc.
Let these errors alone.

Here the story of Runkrishna Paramahansa was
retold by Kanchi. how his disciples were wasting their
valuable time in discussing various religions etc. (whole
(One only thought of God) - how R. Krishna went out followed
by all, & saw the funeral of two dogs over a piece of
flesh being taken away by a bird etc. - a most
significant story with much moral meaning in it.

The alphabets ABCD are given & taught to a beginner
with a view to make him a master of the language, but if
the beginner merely get hold of sticks to the learning of mere
alphabets (ABCD) without any efforts at proceeding further, he will
practically learn nothing. So, in religion, the Sharayah, doctrines dogmas
etc are given ^{alphabets} as a beginning for the ultimate aim of the realization of truth
after you master the fundamental principles - are included towards an advance,
but if you merely stick to Sharayah & believe in our religion in that alone,
you will advance at all. God & truth are far far above this (Sharayah)

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There also give a nice explanation - the evening, for
Lidhu's Mistake in carrying out his orders - re attending
to Imbush's & not going out etc.

The best way of all - for the disciple - is to OBEY -
the orders of his Guru, without at all using his head, &
thinking over its (orders) merits & demerits. For instance,
Suppose, if A comes at noon to me & says he is much thirsty
and I may prescribe ^{any} "Cold drink" - looking to weather
Condition & time etc. - now suppose B comes at night,
in cold chilly weather, & says he is thirsty, and I may
prescribe "Coffee" looking to the prevalent Cold & chill etc.
Now, if the Mr. D. remonstrates & argues in his mind
why his A was given "Cold drink" when he was thirsty &
myself (to) Coffee for the same cause (y' think), it
is useless. He must only obey. It is thus that Saints or
Prophets have given different doctrines & rules etc.
for the same goal of Truth & realization - for there
were five or different gurus, and according to times

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and the prevailing circumstances did these ^{circumstances}
five different doctrines. There are therefore not to
be hesitation for any error, or superiority or inferiority
of one over the other. Are they are the ways to reach
the same goal (Truth) and must be mechanically followed
if Truth is to be realized etc. No argument, no
discussion, no remonstrance etc. Take the Examples
of Arjun, who literally followed Krishna's orders to kill-
anybody, brother, friend for any-any. So also did
Kalyanadas follow to the word the order of Pandava -
his religion, his duty, every thing came in the word & order
of his Master. He knew nothing else, & earned everything.
So - try good boys - listen, listen to what I say, Obey my
elders, & you will - one & all gain something, and according
to his worth & work. The Spiritual is has been
flowing Now-a-days. So, wash your face &
feet at least with its waters, if not destined
to drink. The time is passing, & your discussions
will waste your time on nothing. **BE AWARE**

General —

Bastak Sheheryar, who arrived yesterday, composed a "Mongyat" in praise of Sheer, & read it out in the evening. It was a

After Akh, during general conversation, the Peshwa alluded to Peshwa's ^{dislike} (rank indifference) in listening to his advice to come into the mat and sleep, as he was sleeping outside, in cold. This indirect remark roused P.'s anger, & a duel issued, and had it not been for the timely and tactful intervention of Sheer who cleverly changed the topics, that the matter ended there in the

Sheer today remarked with regard to Syed Ali that he was so ready today, that at one embrace by Sheer he would have been "down", and sheer was on the point of doing it, but stopped.

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Wednesday, 8th February 1928

This morning, Dad had a private talk with
Denton Brammer, who gave his life history - that he had
been after the loss of eyesight for the last 22 years - that
he had met on Arab, A. Buchanan, A. Hunter, and I saw
whom he had made "Gurus" one after the other, and had
actually spent 40 hours and after them, but all in vain.
However, he said, the five (few) hours he spent had evened
five hundred years in bringing him here - to share, and for which
he thanked the Almighty. He felt here quite a different
atmosphere from what he experienced at other places where he
internally felt the "divine light" (V5E13 0112) which he had all
along known everywhere - that those could so boldly declare
themselves God, as share so lightly did, and actually gave proofs of
his being God, as he internally felt a being so too. In remem-
bering such a man, was a selection of life, and it came for
this reason he had arranged to settle his debts as well as for
the maintenance of his family, in order not to have any anxiety.

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re. there, in future. He was now prepared to stay here
under three, for at least 3 years.

Mr. Leathin (Karlshuber) health seemed much improved
that yesterday. He was quite calm, felt happy, and
thoroughly enjoyed the ^{state of things} bliss, which he had experienced -
chanting his favourite ^{Latin} poems, in praise of God as
Gern. ^{over my} ^{semi-conscious state} Truth etc. Sometimes in mind, sometimes in
chanting in musical tones, loudly. He also said that he
saw with open eyes ^{to-day} what he saw with eyes closed yesterday,
^{also} and that he saw much more (light) than what he saw yesterday.

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Rauaji—was kept with Shree from to-day, as he found it too hard to stand the strain of separation & of the burden of school lessons & teaching etc.

Dyed Ali—the crack favourite of Shree, was in his usual mood, changing colour every second, once laughing, the next moment crying, & so on.

Lord Hobaji—was really a "Lord", always in his solemn & stately dignity of "divine worship".

For Abdulla, there is nothing left to note down, except that a little change had come in his outward attitude of giving a curt reply, implying at times a little "anger".

General Conditions of other boys were alright, all improving gradually.

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Thursday 9th February 1928

Usual Thursday Visits. - Tea at 2.30 pm.

Mohalekyi arrives from Navsari this morning, with good news of his father's progress on the road to recovery - had been there in the nick of time, when there was real need, the family ladies being unable to manage the affairs etc.

The new ^{Persian} Bashayi Shakerpa given duty in the Persian (Lan vice Aja Sardul, in ^{English} English

Two Persian gentlemen - Mr Porzha Bhermal or Damania came for their documents with Mr Hormuz (Ghadikh) had been here on Tuesday 7th when the New Consul Mr. Bannerman in mistake put his photo & a letter with 21 articles of his Jewwani's required to be redressed by them, who on seeing the photo & note etc. was a little displeased & asked all to go away & retrieve their (photo & letter etc). All were a little upset, particularly by the New Consul, when Shree Mr. Inghadikh, who pleaded on their behalf that they were new & hence innocent etc. Shree called them back, pardoned them

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and asked them to come on (9th Feb) today, according to which they came. In the meantime there was a discussion over the 21 points of grievances, and it was eventually decided that Shea should bless him personally, which she did when they went to her today. Both were much pleased.

Mr Sharucka - stated that in all 3 cases that he uppl and fought, he got success very easily, as he always took Shea's photo with him in his pocket in the Court. He seemed quite satisfied.

Photo, crump was given to both.

Mr. Kearney - His condition today showed marked improvement and he felt much at ease. There was no agony, and he appears to give in writing his own experiences during his last 24 hours, etc.

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Ramey's again began to cry & complain for "something"
he was seeing, being lost all of a sudden, and then, as if
in light joke, made passes with his fingers on his eyes
and after a little while, Ramey's again began to see.

Aga Syed Ali - He too being found in thinking mood
three enquired as to his sadness, & he too narrated that
what he saw had disappeared suddenly. But there
after passing his fingers on his forehead & eyes, for
some time, made him see once again (what had
disappeared)

Abdohomed Hussein - Being asked to pay more attention to
Shudras went to sit near the water tank - began to cry aloud
- called back & asked - "no Shudra" he desired to marry
to do only during school hours with the girls

Adi-Rashed - There was a special private meeting
& discussion on the future plan of the two boys as both were
now on the point of desperation to go away, being tired of the
treatment given to them, particularly of the reports of petty matters
by a Baird etc. which so much affected them because that they
actually disliked Shudra's.

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Indifference backwardness in the line of the
Lorostran boys here - Shee regretted much for indifference
and disregard shown by Lorostran boys at creating "Pren"
- a very poor comparison with the loving spirit attending
the Hindus particularly the Myshul boys, who ranked fore-
most in this respect.

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At night, after Aarti, general discussion particularly
Shree engineering to Abbas Ali, re: the 5 minutes who gave
only yesterday. "Did you do it?" - "Yes" - "I (Baba) didn't
receive it - hence it may have been done not so sincerely
sincerely as required" etc.

At this stage, Sr. Shreeyan intervened &
desired some such prayer for him too, to which the other
worthy Bastur Nandan at once replied (on behalf of them)
"What's given to one - this meditation & concentration
for 5 minutes daily - is for all. anybody may do it. You
too do it" - "yes" - "said Shree"

"It was only a quarter of 5 minutes" said Shree
continuing, "and not 5 hours, days, months or years" - an
easy task, but must be done very very strictly sincerely.



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