

पुन्हा श्रीद्वारकामाईत गेले व तेथे श्रीच्या तसबिरीकडे पाहत बराच वेळ बसल्यानंतर मला (कानडी भाषेन म्हणाले) [नाऊ नाळींगे हो गोदिला याकेअंदर बाबा नमगे होगबेडा अंतर] आम्ही उद्यां गांवाकडे जात नाहीं कारण उद्यां गुरुवार असल्यामुळे जाऊ नका असें बाबांचे सांगणें आहे. तेव्हां आतां आम्ही शुक्रवारी जेवण करून दुपारचे गाडीनें जाऊं. गुरुवारी सायंकाळची आरती झाल्यानंतर दर्शनाकरितां श्रीद्वारकामाईत हे गृहस्थ गेले तेथें दर्शन घेतांना श्रीच्या मुखांतून (अल्ला अल्ला करेगा) असे शब्द निघाले असें मला म्हणाले; व उद्यां जा. असेही शब्द परत पुन्हा निघाले असल्याचे सांगितले. श्रीद्वारकामाईतील छबीकडे पाहात असतांना या गृहस्थांचें नेत्रावाटे प्रेमाश्रू वाहत होते. या ठिकाणीं येऊन बसल्यानंतर जो कांहीं आनंद होतो तो अवर्णनीय आहे. येथील या बाबांचे छबींत फार आकर्षकपणा आहे. बाबा प्रत्यक्ष येथें वोलतात. मात्र भक्तांनं अनन्य झाले पाहिजे. सर्वस्व या ठिकाणी अर्पण केलें पाहिजे अशी हकीगत संस्थान गवई विठ्ठलराव यांना कानडांत बरील गृहस्थांनी सांगितली.

हे गृहस्थ घरचे मोठे श्रीमंत भावीक असून व्यापारी आहेत. श्रीचा यांना अनुभवही आलेला आहे अंची इच्छा तो छापून प्रसिद्ध करावा अशी नाही. सदरचे गृहस्थ पुन्हा एकदां कुटुंबांतील सर्वत्र मंडळीना घेऊन येणार आहेत.

(२) श्रीसमर्थ साईबाबा महाराजांचे जुने भक्त कै० बाळासाहेब भाटे यांचे चिंरंजीव रा. बापुराव भाटे हे ७-८ महिन्यापासून श्रीसमर्थाची सेवा करणेंस शिर्डीस येऊन राहिले आहेत. त्यांचा स्वभाव फारच गोड व मनमिळाऊ असा आहे. हल्ली मद्रासकडे श्रीसाईबाबांच्या भक्तीचा प्रसार वाढलेमुळे तिकडून इंग्रजांत बरीच पत्रे उदी फोटो धर्मकृत्या याबद्दल इकडे येतात. शिर्डी येथें याकामी इंग्रजांतील पत्रव्यवहार वाचून परत त्यांना इंग्रजांत उत्तर देणेचें काम रा. बापुराव भाटे हे समर्थसेवा म्हणून आनंदानें करतात. या सेवेचें फळ दयाधन साईमाऊली रा. बापुराव भाटे यांना देईलच.

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देणग्या

श्री. बालकृष्ण जयराम मंत्री १३ धुतपापेश्वर मुंबई यांनी एक चांदीचे फुलपात्र (वजन १७॥॥३ तोळे.) चें अर्पण केलें. कापड पिवळे रंगाचें (बायळ) वार ३ श्री. काशीबाई कानिटकर, पुणें यांनी अर्पण केलें. तसेंच दुसरें कापड पिवळें रंगाचें (बायळ) वार एक श्री. काशीबाई कानिटकर पुणें यांनी अर्पण केलें. जरीकाठी उपरणें श्री. अप्पाबाबू तळेकर शिर्डी यांनी अर्पण केलें. बनारसी कद रंग पिवळा (फीकट) जरीकाठी श्री. नागेशराव आत्माराम सावंत फौजदार मुंबई यांनी अर्पण केला.

धर्मकृत्यें

श्री श्रीधर नारायण ऊर्फ नानासाहेब खारकर प्रशस्य सचिव (श्री. शि. सं.) ठाणें. यांनी दोन पायल्या शेंगादाणे व पांचशेर गूळाचे लाडू करवून अवध्या मंडळीन. वाटले. व सहा दिवे (समया) लावले. व धूप जाळला. श्री. एम्. एन्. सुदलीयार त्रिचनापल्ली यांनी श्रीस नैवेद्य, अभिषेक. ब्राम्हण सुवासिनी भोजन दिलें. श्री. लक्ष्मण सखाराम ठोकळ पेव्दानर शिक्षणाधिकारी नगर यांनी श्रीस अभिषेक.—नैवेद्य. ब्राम्हण सुवासिनी भोजन दिलें. श्री. व्ही. व्यंकटनारायण मद्रास श्रीस अभिषेक. श्री. जी. सुभरहीम कोईमतुर अभिषेक. श्री. एम् कृष्णराव, अभिषेक. श्री. वि. अ. वैद्य, अंधेरी, श्रीस अभिषेक. श्री. के. आर. गुरु मंगळूर श्रीस अभिषेक. एकभक्त C/o श्री. य. श्री. गजानन केशव पट्टेकर घाटीआळी ठाणें यांचा श्रीस अभिषेक. मि. एल. रंगनाथन श्रीस अभिषेक. श्री. व्ही. व्यंकटनारायण कमलपुरम् श्रीस अभिषेक. श्री. एम्. माली रड्डी अनंतापूर श्रीस अभिषेक. श्री. एम्. डुड्डीया ओहरसियर यांनी श्रीस नैवेद्य केला. श्री. वि. रा. शिवापुरकर श्रीस अभिषेक केला. श्री. न. ध. देशमुख नाचीक यांनी अभिषेक केला.

उत्सव

श्री पुण्यतिथि उत्सव कार्यक्रम स्वतंत्र येईलच या उत्सवांत श्री. ह. भ. प. जाधवबुवा यांनी श्रीपुढें कीर्तनाची हजेरी दिली.

नवलविशेष

(१) श्री. नवलकर बंधू मुंबई यांनी आपला शिर्डी येथील (वाडा) ज्या वाड्यांत श्रीसाईबाबांच्या श्री. गुरायाची समाधी, पादुका, निंबवृक्ष, श्री शंकर व नंदी अशी पवित्र स्थाने आहेत तो श्री. चरणी अर्पण केला.

(२) मुंबई सरकारचे मुख्य प्रधान नामदार बाळासाहेब खेर यांची स्वारी शिर्डीस ता. २१-४-३९ शनिवार रोजी साईमहाराजांचे दर्शनास आली होती. त्यावेळी संस्थानचे स्थानिक विश्वस्त श्री तात्याजा गणपतराव पाटील कोते व श्री. रघुवीर भास्कर पुरंदरे. (दुय्यम चिटणीस श्री साईबाबा संस्थान) यांनी हार अत्तर, गुलाब समर्पण करून यथोचित स्वागत केले. व थोडक्यांत संस्थानची माहिती करून दिली.

(३) श्री. सुंदरराव दि. नवलकर मुंबई यांनी तारीख १५-१८-२२-२३ २७-२८-२९ आक्टोबर असे सात अभिषेक श्रीचरणी केले.

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ऊर्फ तात्यासाहेब कोटनीस महाराज

यांच्या सोळाव्या पुण्यातीथाचा उत्सव प्रतिवर्षाप्रमाणे सांगली येथे आमच्या कैवल्य-धामांत ” येत्या ता. २८ जानेवारी १९४० इसवी रोज रविवारपासून सा. ३० जानेवारी १९४० इसवी रोज मंगळवार अखेर (पौष वद्य ४ ते पौष वद्य ६ हनुमानवष्टी शके १८६१) तीन दिवस आराधनेसह साजरा होणार आहे म्हणून कळवितात.

श्री साईनाथ

अनुभव

श्रीयुत संपादक श्रीसाईलीला मासिक यांस सप्रेम कृ. सा. न. वि. वि. पुढील कृत लीलेंत प्रसिद्ध करणे करितां पाठवित आहे तरी ती लीलेचे येते अंकी प्रसिद्ध उ अशी उमेद आहे.

गेले पुण्यतिथीचे वेळची गोष्ट. रा. रा. मो. विश्वनाथ प्रधान यांचे बरोबर डॉ. न थंकर जे हल्ली " श्री साईबाबा धर्मार्थ दवाखाना " मुंबईत प्रॅटरोडचे भागांत इन्वार्डोत चालवीत आहेत ते व मिस भरझरो नांवाची त्याच दवाखान्यांतील एक वयरी खिश्न सेविका अशा मंडळींची मनमाड स्टेशनवर पहाटेचे वेळी कोपरगावचे र्वी वाट पहात असलेले दुसरे दिवशीचे बाबांचे पुण्यतिथी उत्सवास जाणारे इतर ि भक्त मंडळी बरोबरच माझी गाठ पडली. पुढील प्रवासास सुरवात होणेच बराच धी असल्यामुळे जास्त परिचित मंडळींत तशा त्या पहाटेचे थंड वेळी चहा पानाचा निघाला असतां रा. वा. प्रधान खिश्न नर्स विषयी म्हणाले, ती " पोरगी चहा कांहीं घेणार नाही कारण बाबांचे दर्शन झाल्याशिवाय पळी पाणी न घेण्याचा नवस करून ती दर्शनास निघाली आहे. " हे ऐकून साहजीकच जिज्ञासा उत्पन्न न चौकशी करितां रा. ब. प्रधानांनी पुढील हकीकत निवेदन केली.

डॉ. थंकर यांच्या हाताखाली " श्री साईबाबा धर्मार्थ दवाखान्यांत " काम त असतां त्या डॉक्टरांची बाबांचे ठिकाणी जडलेली श्रद्धा व विश्वास हे पाहून व हे म्हणणेप्रमाणे त्या दवाखान्यांत बाबांच्या उदीचे उपयोगापासून वेळोवेळी आश्चर्य- क अनुभव येत असलेले पाहून या पोरीचे बाबांचेकडे आकर्षण इतके झाले की, या अशा पुण्यपुरुषाचे स्थानाचे दर्शन घेणेची तळमळ दिवसेंदिवस वाढू लागली.

उद्याचे पुण्यतिथी उत्सवास आम्ही निघणार असलेचे तिला कळतांच परवा दिवशी तिने आमचेबरोबर बाबांचे दर्शनास निघणेचे ठरविले व त्याप्रमाणे कासकाळी लौकर घरून निघून आपले वरिष्ठ सेविकेडे जाऊन रजेची मागणी केली. वरिष्ठ सेविकेने कामामुळे रजा देता येत नाही असे सांगितले वरिष्ठ विद्यार्थी होऊन पुढे तशीच ती दवाखान्यांत कामावर गेली. सकाळीच घर सोडून लागलेमुळे रोजचे रिवाजाप्रमाणे चहापाणी करणेस मुळीच सवड मिळाली नव्हती व पुढे रजेस आडकाळी आलेमुळे खिन्नमनाने कामावर असतां या गोष्टीची आठवण व विना झाली नाही व कामावरून तशीच ती दुपारला घरी परत आली. खिन्नमना कामावर असतां तिचा बाबांचा सारखा धावा सुरू होता व त्यांत निश्चय ठरला की रजा मिळाली नाहीतर नोकरी सोडवण्याची पण उद्यां बाबांचे दर्शन घेणेचं टाळायचं नाही व दर्शन घेईपर्यंत पळी पाणीही घ्यावयाचं नाही घरी परत आल्यावर तो दसऱ्याचा दिवस असल्यामुळे व त्या सेविकेचा हिंदुकुटुंबांत पण परिचय असलेमुळे बरेच मंडळीकडून तिचे घरी पक्कान्याचे भेट्टी आलेल्या होत्या. त तिचे आईने तिला दाखविलेवर तिचे मनांत विचार आला की, हे पक्कान्यांचे अभिषेक पुढे आणून व रजेस आडकाळी उपस्थित करून मी माझे निश्चयापासून दळते किंवा कसे याबाब बाबां परिक्षाच पहात आहेत तरी आपला निश्चय दळू देणं नाही. असे मनाशी ठरवून आपणांस भूक नाही वगैरे सांगून तिने आईची समजूत घालून अन्न वगैरे काहीच ग्रहण केले नाही. पुढे टेलीफोन वरून वरिष्ठ सेविकेची रजेस सायंकाळला संमती मिळता तशी बाबांचे वरची श्रद्धा जास्तच वाढून ती रात्रीस आमचे बरोबर उपरिनिर्दिष्ट व नमूद केलेले निश्चयाने दर्शनास निघालेली आहे. ”

आम्ही सर्व शिरडीत दाखल होतांच त्या पोरीने स्नान वगैरे करण्या विषयीची दाखविलेली आतुरता व नंतर दर्शन होऊन आरती आटोपल्यावर आतां उपास सोडण्या काही हरकत नाही असे समजून पळीभर तीर्थच प्राशन करणे वगैरे गोष्टी समक्ष आमचे पाहणेत आल्या.

दोनप्रहरी प्रसाद भोजन वगैरे आटोपल्यावर तिने आम्हास विचारिले की आरतीने वेळेपासून माझे मनास हुरहुर लागली आहे की - 'मी एवढी धडपड करून बाबांचेकडे धाव घेत आहे पण माझे करणं बाबांना आवडते किंवा नाही?' ते वेळी रा. रा. प्रधानाबा 'याचा जबाब बाबांचे तुला देतील, त्यांनाच तू विचार' म्हणून सांगितले. तेव्हां ती म्हणाली 'खरंच मला बाबा सांगतील काय?' पुढे रात्री सभामंडपातील भव्य पटांकां पात शिरडी येथील शाळेंतील मुळांचे उत्सव कार्यातील नाटकाचा कार्यक्रम शाळ

तो समाधि मंदिरांतील दर्शनी गॅलॅरिंतूनच या मुलीने पाहिला. रात्र बरीच झाली होती व ती तेथेच झोपली होती. सकाळी ती फारच आनन्दीत वृत्तीत होती व सांगू लागली की पहाटेस आपण जागेच असतां बाबांनी आपणांस समक्ष दर्शन दिलें व सांगितलें की तू मला शेवतीचे फुलाची चादर व हार दे. मी मनाची खात्री केली की आपण जागे आहो व बाबा पुढे उभे आहेत व वरीलप्रमाणे बोलत आहेत पुढे ती चादर म्हणजे काय व शेवतीची फुले शिरडीत आगर लेंडी वागते मिळतील काय म्हणून सारखी चौकशी करून वरील हकीकत उत्सवांत उपस्थित असलेले प्रत्येकांस सांगत होती. नंतर चादरीचे बाबतीत खुलासा होऊन लवकरच फुलांची चादर सुवईहून घेऊन येऊन बाबांना वाहू असे ठरऊन ती आनन्दांने परत आली व नुकतेच नवीन वर्षारंभी (ता. १/१०/०१ रोजी) ठरविलेप्रमाणे फुले फळे घेऊन येऊन बाबांना अर्पण करून एक दिवस ती शिरडीस राहून परत गेली.

डॉ. थॅकरही यावेळी तिचेबरोबर आले होते. व तेही आपले अनुभव लवकर प्रसिद्ध करणेस देणार असलेचे आम्हाला या खेपेस सांगत होते.

वरील हकीकत पारमार्थिकदृष्ट्या बरीच उद्बोधक आहे व त्या दृष्टीने तिचे विवरण बाबांचे भक्तवृंदापैकी तज्ञाकरून होईलच अशी उमेद आहे. कळावे लो. अ. हे विनंती.

ठाणे ता. ११/१/४०

आपला नम्र,

बाबा सेवक (S. N. K.)

श्री साईबाबा

एकदा मला स्वप्नात श्री साईबाबांनीं माझे जवळ ५३ ची भिक्षा मागीतली तेव्हां मला असे वाटते की साईबाबा भक्तांच्या जवळ रुपये मागीत असत, तेव्हां आपणा जवळही तसेच मागीतले असावे. पण आपण तेवढी रक्कम एकदम देण्यास पात्र नाही म्हणजे आपली सांपत्तिक स्थिती तेवढी चांगली नाही म्हणून आपण दर महिना ५३ दिडक्या निराळ्या काढून ठेवित जाव्या असे मनांत आले व त्याप्रमाणे आरंभही केला. असा क्रम जवळ जवळ ३-४ महिने केल्यावर असे आढळून आले की ते काढून ठेवलेले पैसे (दिडक्या) कांहीं तरी कारणांनी खर्च होऊन जात.

पुढे कांहीं दिवसांनी श्री.आण्णासाहेब दामोळकर भेटले त्यासही ही हकीगत सांगितेव्हां ते म्हणाले की तुमच्या जवळ बाबांनी त्रेपचाची भिक्षा मागीतली ती रुपये, दिडक्या बगैरे कांहीं एक नसून तुम्ही ५३ अध्याई गुरुचरित्र रोज वाचत जा असा त्या स्वप्नाचा अर्थ असावा असे वाटते.

याप्रमाणे श्री. आण्णासाहेब दामोळकर यांनी सांगितल्यावरून मी लगेच बाबांचे संतचरित्र ५३ अध्याई तयार झालेले आहे त्याची प्रत मुंबईहून श्री. तरखड याजपाशी व्ही. पी. करून पाठविणेबद्दल कळविले. त्याप्रमाणे ती पोथी आली व ठरविलेला त्याचा सप्ताह सुरू केला. पण त्याच वेळी घरांत मुलांही पूर्वपार चालत आलेल्या गुरुचरित्राचा सप्ताह करावयाचे ठरविले होते तेव्हा पुन्हा दृष्टांत झाला की, " घरांत रात्री मितीला भोक पाडून चोर शिरतो आहे. " असे पाहून मी झोपेतून ओरडत उठले तेव्हा घरांतील दुसरी मंडळी जागी होऊन विचारू लागली की ' तुम्ही आतां कां ओरडत उठला ? ' त्यावेळी त्यांना मी ते स्वप्न सांगितले आणि मग घरातील सर्व मंडळींच्या मते ठरले की " काकांनी-म्हणजे मी-श्रीसत्चरित्राचा सप्ताह न करितां आपल्या घरी नेहमी जी गुरुचरित्राची पोथी आपण नेहमी वाचतो त्याच नेहमीच्या गुरुचरित्राचा सप्ताह सखाराम याने करावा व मी नेहमी सत्चरित्र नुसते वाचावे. " व या प्रमाणे अंमलांतही आणले. श्री. काकासाहेब दीक्षित नेहमी सांगत असत की श्री साईबाबा कोणासहि निराळी रीत अंमलांत न आणता ज्याची त्याची जी जुनी रीतमात असेल तीच त्यांनी पुढे काळजीपूर्वक अंमलात आणून चालू ठेवावी. या श्री साईबाबांच्या म्हणण्याला वरच्या अनुभवावरून सत्यता पडते. हल्ली त्याप्रमाणे आमचे घरांत तीच रीत चालू आहे.

—रा. वा. घेसास.

Shri Saibaba.

Day and night do say
 and say, Baba
 Baba oh! darling mind
 How much filled in
 Baba's name, O!
 lovely Splendid Celestial Charm.



To Him you yield, not
 Nababs & Kings, give
 up folly
 O! dear, Kind.
 The God of death to go
 before, O! for answer
 you'll find no harm.

Shines there the Godavari flow, near whose waters in a yojan sight,
 Having appeared of His own powers, in Shirdi Nest ever holy & bright,
 Being praised by people come: of sundry places all castes & creeds,
 Wins Sainath all Supreme Being, Sanctifying the world of Sinful greeds,

Opinions of Visitors.

Who said "Peace"? yes, you find it at Baba's Samadhi in Shirdi. The more you see of it, the more you feel like devoting the rest of your short span of life to Sai bhajan. Every bit proclaims what Baba has done to help, guide and save the erring humanity. I cannot really describe my joy but I fully feel it. We are really thankful to everyone connected with the Sansthan for all they have done for us. Special mention should be made of the Library and Reading Room which is being used very well.

(Sd.) G. V. CHETTY,

3th Aug. 1939

Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies,
 MADRAS.

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I had a long desire to visit Shree Sai Baba after reading "Sunday Times" and I took this opportunity. My sincere thanks for coming to this Holy Place, to be attributed to Mr. B. V. Nar-

sinha Swamy who wrote in "Sunday Times". Had it not been for this I would not have known this place. I was and I am a regular reader of "Sunday Times". I came here on the 19th morning. The staff at this Sansthan are very polite and accommodative. All the Pujas described in the book are regularly carried, which I was watching. My sincere thanks to the Sansthan Staff and specially to Mr. Vithalrao and the chief clerk Mr. Bata Gurao. The place is worth visiting by all nationality. The more sincere the better results. There is, which I called a magnative power in Dwarkamai, if one is sincere and surrenders. I pray will full that Shree Sai Baba will bestow and bless all.

(Sd.) M. M. RANGAPPA,

22nd Sept.

Proprietor, 'Sanjivappa & Sons' Adoni,
Exporters of Cotton, Seeds etc., and owers of
Several Ginning & Pressing Factories & Oil Mills.

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I had the rare privilege of visiting this Shrine of Shree Sai Baba, about whom we had heard much in Malabar from Shree B. V. Narsinha Swami. The life of Shree Sai Baba stands unique. It has few parallels in modern spiritual History. He had a peculiar method of drawing devotees to him. I am happy to find that his followers at Shirdi are trying to follow his instructions and making themselves useful to devotees visiting the place. May the village of Shirdi rise in prosperity and spirituality by the blessings of the great saint. May the life of Baba inspire large numbers of Indians.

My humble namaskarams to Him.

(Sd.) M. K. VEERA RAGHAVALING,

Head Master. Govt. Training School,

27th Sept. 1939.

Calicut (Malabar.)

EXPERIENCES.

A. S. Padmanatam, Madras.

The following were the Impressions that I felt on Sunday the 19th Feb., 1939, at 3.15 P. M. when I was fast asleep : —

I was seen standing in the verandah of my house, where we usually dine, and some unknown voice asked me to go and hit at a specified portion of the wall, between the two taps, which was pointed out to me ; accordingly I went and hit that portion of the wall and immediately after my hitting, a hollow was formed in the wall ; a slab was seen in the hollow and I was ordered to pull the slab out. Afterwards I was ordered to put some food in the hollow and accordingly I did. After a few seconds, I noticed in the hollow, one white pup aged within one month, with tiny hairs a charming face with brilliant eyes, which shook its body and began to move. And there were also two other animals besides this pup, one of which was a serpent 9" to 12" long. I am unable to describe the other one.

The pup and the serpent gradually became two men in about few seconds time. The one that was transformed from the pup, looked very dark in colour, slender body, normal height, with lot of hairs in the head and two white spots like that of a teeth were seen on either side of the mouth outside with sandal paste on the forehead, and a leather covering round the waist. The appearance of this one was rather frightful. The other man was clad in a decent up country man's dress, wearing a cap for the head, a jibba for the body and a dhoti. He also wore an upper cloth diagonally on the body in a loose way. This man was somewhat stouter than the other man and fair in complexion.

They jumped from the hollow before me saying. " We are coming from Shirdi. Where is your brother ? " I told them, " He is speaking with somebody outside."

P. M. (i. e. Pup Man) "Your brother is much worried and disturbed. Tell him that Sai Baba is always with him and will take care of him. Also inform him not to put any joint signature for anybody on any account."

After saying these words the P.M. (i. e. Pup Man) turned towards east and began to go out. When he was just on the sill of the door, next to the tap, the other man shouted "Don't go" and at once obstructing him from going out said, "You have completely forgotten the Mission. You have come here under the orders of Sai Baba, finish it and then go". Then the P. M. turned and came toward me and ordered me, "Call your brother". Immediately I turned and wanted to go and fetch my brother but my brother was seen coming towards the spot where we were all standing. Immediately on the arrival of my brother the P. M. hugged my brother, pasted some yellow substance on his forehead and passed his hands from head to foot, throughout my brother's body. When he was passing his hands, he was telling my brother, "You are much worried and disturbed. Sai Babr is always with you and he will take care of you." By this time I woke up.

About a month ago, one evening at about 6-30 P. M. when my son Subramanian aged 6 years was suffering from Typhoid fever and was lying in the western side of the room adjoining the central hall of our house, he suddenly said, "An old man is sitting by my side and I am very much afraid of him." After a few seconds he said, "The old man seated by my side is Baba and Baba alone and he has got a stick in his hand which resembles the one in the Baba's Portrait and he is wearing a jibba for the body and a cloth tied to his head as turban. He has also white beard as is seen in His Portrait." Then he said that Baba was giving him sugar candy and he was eating it. After a while my boy said that Baba was holding a plate in his hand (and in it were found two plantain fruits) and asked my boy to eat the fruits also and not to fear. My boy said that he had taken one fruit from the plate and was eating it. He said that Baba was seated in that room even at 8 P. M. and afterwards my son went to sleep and woke up only the next morning. The next

day when we asked him to narrate the happenings of the previous evening, he repeated the facts mentioned above. After this incident the fever subsided and my son was given a bath and he is now improving in health by the grace of Sri Sai Baba.

Experiences of other members of Shri A. S. Gopalakrishnan's family.

(1) On 22-7-39, Poonammal who was sleeping in the pooja room at 3 p. m. saw a Mahammedan (dressed like Baba and carrying a sota stick in his hand like Baba) who was walking in the pooja room. She woke and the figure disappeared.

(2) On 18-7-39, his daughter Jayalakashmi dreamt that she was bitten by a serpent and that Baba's Udhi given by him cured her at once.

(3) Sow. Chellammal saw a vision (in dream) of Tirupath-Venkatesa in her (A. S. G.'s.) house. Some neighbouring maidens and a boy had set fire to the thatched roof upstairs. Sow. Chellammal called for water to put out the fire. But she heard a voice from an unseen person, saying "This is a bonfire in honour of Tirupathi Venkatesa." Then it was that Venkatesa appeared. Then she woke up.

(4) UDHI- On 25-7-39 Mr. A. S. Gopalakrishna Iyer found a man who had epileptic fits and who was in convulsions on the road. He took out Baba's Udhi and had it applied to the sufferer. In a few minutes the man got up and went away.

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Duraiswamy Naidu, Theepranthotti Street, Trichinopoly.

I know about Sai Baba's miracles and powers and learnt the same through my master Mr. A. S. Gopalakrishna Iyer, after his return from Shirdi in the month of January. For the past six months I have seen Baba 5 times in the Depot and 3 times in my master's House at Tennore, and once in my house. When he appeared for the first time one day at about 4 a. m. in the morning, he appeared as a boy of 5 years, woke me up saying "It is already late get up and commence your daily routine work."

Two or three times I saw Baba at the depot with Bhajana party at about 2 a. m. in the night always accompanied by Anjanayar by his side. Once he told me that he is GOING TO DINDIGUL and asked me to accompany him and I went to Dindigul and then returned. By this time I woke up and so I am unable to explain as to what happened at Dindigul. Another time he gave me sugarcandy and rose flowers and wrote something on my chest. On another day there was a good music party with a lot of ladies taking part in it.

At my master's house, I saw Baba with Anjanayar twice, coming from the pooja room to the centre hall and then taking his seat on the plank of the mirror where Baba's picture was kept and worshipped during the last Samajam day. Anjanayar was himself seated by the side of Baba on the floor. I saw Baba seated on the plank for about a few minutes and then he vanished. This happened in my waking state at about 8-30 p. m. And another time also at about 8-30 p. m. Baba came alone, wandered in the Centre hall and then vanished into the adjoining room.

When Baba appeared in my master's house, two children were suffering from Typhoid fever and the rest of the children were suffering from itch; and Baba directed that no medicine need be given to the children, and it is enough if UDHI is given twice a day both in the morning and evening and said they would automatically recover and be alright after a few days time. Accordingly my master stopped medicine even though the temperature of the children ranged from 102 to 105 degrees, and administered UDHI twice a day; and the children recovered; and they are now hale and hearty due to Baba's miraculous powers. He also further informed me that he is taking care of all the children and the other members in my master's house who he said are all his children.

In my own house at about 2 a. m. in the night 4 or 5 days ago when I was suffering from severe pains in my waist, Baba appeared to me and gave me UDHI and asked me to take it and said I will be alright. Accordingly I took the UDHI and I was relieved of the pain immediately and now I am alright.

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L. Srinivasa Rao, Vakil's Clerk, Trichinopoly, says,

He had some ailment in April last and for some time before that he attended the Sai Arti meeting held at Sri A. S. Gopalakrishna Iyer's house on 29-4-39 and received and used Sai Udhi. The very next day when he went to his usual doctor's house he met an old man of 75 or 80 winters with a small bag of herbs and medicines. That man, though a total stranger gave him some medicine for his ailment. Though not without hesitation L. Srinivasa Rao took the medicine and found it effective. On further thinking of the features of this mysterious old gentleman they were much like those of Baba. But the dress below the waist was a towel like Mahatma Gandhi. But on his head he wore a towel like Sai Baba and he wore a torn shirt. Mr. L. Srinivasa Rao feels that Baba has blessed him as above and deepened his faith.

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**Sri N. L. Dorai, son of Sri Nangavaram Lakshminarayans Iyer.
Double Mall Street, Trichinopoly Fort. (26-7-39.)**

It is inauspicious if a cow calves on a Sunday in the house, as it is said to involve risk of the owner's life. We have a good cow. On 23rd instant (Sunday) it appeared to be about to calve. It was lying and rolling with pain from side to side. To avoid possible risk, we were considering if it was not safer to dispose of it. In any case, we took the precaution of sending it away to the house of our Agent. Then I offered a prayer to Sai Baba that if it did not calve on Sunday, I would offer special pooja and prasadam to his portrait on Monday the 24th instant. Strangely enough the cow though in great pain did not calve until the afternoon of the 24th inst. (i. e.) Monday. Needless to say, the pooja and prasadam were duly offered.

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Experience of Abdul Sattar Sahib, Scents dealer, Woriyur, Trichy.

I learnt about Sri Sai Baba's greatness from Mr. A. S. Gopalakrishna Iyer and was offering and lighting up two scented sticks manufactured by me before Baba's picture in Mr. A. S. Gopala-

krishna Iyer's Office. One of my younger sisters had fever for a whole week. Mr. A. S. G., told me to apply Baba's Udhi. But I forgot to take Udhi from him. when I went home without it I lay thinking of my omission. Baba appeared in my dream. He applied his udhi or blessing to the patient. Next morning she recovered her health. Another younger sister of mine was pregnant. That was her first conception. And we were all anxious when the pains of labour were on. I then gave Baba's Udhi and it was given to her, a bit to be swallowed and a little bit was smeared on her body. In one hour thereafter she had an easy delivery. Four days later, my elder sister was about to deliver. On previous occasions it was at the time of the delivery that she would have fits. We were therefore afraid that fits would come on this occasion. But I assured all of the efficacy of Baba's Udhi and gave it. In three hours time thereafter she had easy delivery without any fits. The younger sister who had her delivery as mentioned above had an abscess. The Woriyur Doctor treating her feared there was a fracture of bone below the abscess. We prayed to Baba and offered a vow to send up Rs. 1/4/0. Another and abler Doctor then examined the abscess but found no fracture and cured it by an operation. By reason of my firm faith in Sai Baba I have named my scents manufacturing place, "SAI-BABA UDHI WORKS".

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Padmanaba Iyer, Retired Assistant Engineer, P. W. D., Tennore, Trichinopoly, on 26-7-39, says,

Sometime back I had a casual talk with Sri A. S. Gopalakrishna Iyer of Tennore who informed me that he was suffering from High Blood Pressure and he went to Shirdi Samasthan and had a darsan of Sri Sai Baba's Samadhi and since then his blood pressure had considerably reduced. I had also the same malady and so decided to go to Shirdi Samasthan. Meanwhile my daughter a girl of 7 years was seriously ill. It was at the time of the first pooja in Sri A. S. Gopalakrishna Iyer's house in April. I attended the pooja

and administered the Veebuthi prasadam to my daughter. Even after a week her condition was serious, but Sri Sai Baba appeared in my dream and ordered me to go to Shirdi Samasthan. In obedience to the command leaving my daughter in a serious condition, I went to Shirdi on Thursday (10-5-39) and had a darsan of the Samadhi and returned with prasadam.

My daughter has been completely cured and my blood pressure also considerably reduced.

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Experiences of Sri Achi Aiyer alias N. S. Subyarama Iyer,

Retired Head Clerk, C. C. S. Office, 10, Gujarati Street,
Trichinopoly. (20-5-1939)

For over 48 days I went on with pooja of Sai Baba and I have had many experiences.

1. My son Sundararajan had typhoid. Medicines did not help. I prayed to Sai Baba when the case looked helpless. Baba's Grace saved me.

2. My six year old boy was suffering for a month from diarrhoea and there was swelling all over the body. I did not care to give him medicine and relied on Baba's Grace. He was cured.

3. My five year old boy saw an old person entering into my pooja room one evening but no one was found there. He told me of his vision. I feel that Baba is present there.

4. My cousin, a 17 years old young lady, remained a spinster for four years. Her father was looking for a groom. I prayed to Baba on 1-6-1939 for his blessing. On 7-6-1939 she was married.

5. A lady, Avayambal, who resided with her husband at Kiranur had her disagreement with her husband. She came away to Palakarai and stayed here for a month. She was anxious that her husband should go over here and take her back. I made her spend Rs.6/- on a gold plate and wrote on it Sai Baba RAKSHI. (i. e.) OH SAI, PROTECT. I daily worshipped that plate. In a week from

the starting of that pooja the husband came here and took her away. The husband said that some old person had appeared before him and directed him to take back his wife.

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Statement of Sow. K. Arundati Amma. Madras.

MOHANKRISHNA'S TYPHOID—Four months ago, my son Mohankrishna aged five had a typhoid. He was under Allopathic treatment; and varying complications were occurring. I had faith in Sai Baba, having read the Telugu "Sai Leela". Finding medicines useless, I used Baba's Udhi for the boy. One night his temperature was high; and he was in delirium raving loudly. I was helpless. I prayed to Baba to save the boy and gave the Udhi, vowing we would take the boy, when cured to Shirdi. In fifteen minutes thereof, these symptoms subsided. Delirium and raving ceased and the patient slept. Gradually the fever left him and he recovered health.

MY OWN HEALTH:—Every year during the entire last quarter, my health has been giving great trouble. I prayed to Baba for help, seeing his help to my boy. In October, 1938 my trouble began as usual. I then prayed and vowed that I would remit Rs. 100/- to Shirdi and also make a pilgrimage to Shirdi, if the disease should stop. Then it disappeared entirely, leaving not a trace behind, though usually during these months, I would be greatly troubled.

DIAMOND BUSINESS—My husband is doing business in diamonds. In October last, there was a letter from a Karaikudi Chettiar inviting him to go there for selling some diamonds. But my husband fearing that the prospect of sale was poor hesitated much whether he should leave Madras at all. Then at that time Sai Baba appeared to him in his dream and holding a pair of scales in his hand told him that the customer would purchase such and such a number of carats. Thus assured, my husband started to Karaikudi, taking more carats with him than those mentioned by Sai Baba. At Karaikudi he found that he sold exactly the num.

of carats mentioned by Baba and not a jot more in spite of his best efforts to sell more.

CURE OF A CALF—A calf of mine had dysentery early this month. I did not wish to send it to the Veterinary Hospital, despite numerous suggestions from friends I put some of Baba's Udhi into its mouth. Then the dysentery which had troubled it for six or seven days ceased to give trouble and was cured.

After my first statement was given, there was a terrible ordeal which showed how kind and helpful Baba is to all those that trust in him.

Her son aged about ten, when playfully keeping a small iron nail in his mouth, suddenly drew it inside his mouth. The nail instead of going into his bowels went through the wind pipe into the lungs. There was great trouble and consternation in the house. Doctors were called in. The day after this incident, the boy was taken to the General Hospital. X-ray photos were taken, and then the doctors gave the boy chloroform and then passed a magnetic wire through his mouth into his lungs, and tried to draw out the nail. That attempt was a failure. 5 days passed. The boy was getting high temperature and could take in no nutrition. He was getting weaker and was sinking. Pus had formed in the lungs. The doctors feared the worst would happen, unless drastic remedies be adopted to reduce the temperature. For that purpose, the patient must have the nail extracted, which meant a chloroform operation. But the boy's weakness rendered chloroform very risky. When doctors were hesitating, she declared that Baba would save the boy and the risk might be taken. Chloroform was given and the insertion of the magnetic wire on this occasion brought out the iron, and the boy gradually recovered his health. Baba who helped her family even in securing trade profits saved the life of her son.

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Mr. Pettugala Narasimhalu chettiar, Vysia, aged 26, residing at 8, Chinnathambi Mudali St., G. T., Madras, says:—

My wife and I are Sai Bhaktas and also Haranath Bhaktas.

We were at Nellore a month back sang songs and the Namavali of both these saints. We returned to Madras and went on with Haranath Bhajana, omitting Sai Namavali and Sai Songs, and merely did Arati to his picture along with Haranath's. My wife fell ill on 21-1-39 and had serious rheumatism or something like paralytic seizure. Her limbs could not move. Then my wife was saying to herself that the stroke was a punishment for slighting Sai Baba's Songs and Namavali i. e. omitting them. Then she had a dream. In that dream, she found herself running in a garden of Nellore (where we did Sai Bhajan) and found that two Mahomedan boys were chasing her. she then remembered Haranath and prayed to him for help. Then one of the pursuers disappeared and only one boy was chasing and even he began to chuckle with laughter and to say (i. e.,) "Am I not Sai? How is it you have forgotten me". He added "your illness will be cured. Give me Rs. 40/- for my chilim." She prostrated to Baba at once and promised to pay Rs. 40/-. She woke up and told me of her dream. We resolved to follow Baba's advice. In half an hour after that dream, her legs which had lost all power of movement or support during her disease recovered strength and became quite normal. In the morning she was alright. Since that day, we are having Sai Pooja and Bhajan in our house.

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Sow P. Jayarathnamma,

(Madras) 25-12-38.

CHICKEN POX (Atalamma)—My daughter Akhila aged seven had chicken pox in July last. After three days, she had high temperature and raving. No medicine is given for diseases of this sort. We prayed to Sai, [having got faith in him by reading "Sai Leela " (in Telugu),] and put some of his Udhi into her mouth. She felt relief in two or three minutes. She herself said so at once. During the next three or four days whenever there were such troublesome symptoms, she herself called for the Udhi, used it and got relief. Then she became alright.

YASODA—My next daughter Yasoda aged five is much devoted to Baba and goes into the garden, plucks flowers and worships

Baba's pictures with them. After Akhila's recovery, Yasoda had the same attack; and we gave her Baba's Udhi. The disease was very mild in its attack and soon disappeared.

Yasoda's faith was so great that when her elder sister was taking medicine for Jaundice, Yasoda said "why not simply take Baba's Udhi and discard medicine?"

GARDENER'S STOMACH-ACHE:—One day our gardener complained of severe stomach-ache which not only unfitted him for work but reduced him to the necessity of being carried home. We gave him Udhi which he used. By evening he recovered.

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R. Vanchinada Iyer, Teacher, 21o Sydoji Lane, Triplicane.
Hindu High School. 21st December, 1938.

My wife was down with Pneumonia and Pleurisy; and on 2nd instant, her temperature was 103 degrees; and the doctor was anxious and said that we should wait till the next morning to see if any improvement would take place. That day, the 2nd instant, I attended the Sai Meeting at Royapettah and brought Udhi from there. At 2 a. m. the patient's condition seemed hopeless. She was raving and was not conscious. She was very restless and could not open her mouth to take in even liquid nutrition. I placed Baba's udhi at my pooja place where Baba's picture also stands and I put a bit of udhi into some milk and administered it to the patient and smeared udhi over her body. She swallowed milk little by little, and in half an hour she began to sleep. In the morning the temperature came down to 101 degrees to our great relief; and she began to talk. I continued the udhi. In four days time, the temperature came back to normal. Pneumonia disappeared. She has still some trace of pleurisy and I am using udhi every day.

N. B. Since this statement was given, pleurisy was cured

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Vayuvegula Venkatasubba Rao.

Appanapalli, (Via Nagaram, Razole Taluk)

15th December, 38.

MY HEAD ACHE.—My first touch with Sri Sai Baba was in connection with an attack of head-ache in June last. The attack was somewhat severe; and I approached my brother-in-law, Mr. Sista Subba Rao, B. A., Hons., for help. He was just then reading Telugu "Sai Leela" which he got a few days before; and the first thought that struck him was to give me Sri Sai's Udhi prasad. I applied it to my head and took a little inside. It had a magical effect, so much so that I had relief in about five minutes.

Since then, I had a number of dreams in which holy men appear to me, whom I always think to be manifestations of Sri Sai.

A CHILD'S AGONY.—Almost the very next day after the above incident, my nephew, a child of nine months woke up at midnight and began to cry aloud apparently without reason. The mother and other members of the family tried a number of means but the child could not obtain rest. My brother-in-law then administered Sri Sai's Udhi which had the desired effect almost immediately, in sending the child to sleep.

TAPALS AND DREAMS.—One interesting experience of myself and my brother is that whenever we dream of a tapa being delivered to us during sleep, something connected with Baba either from Shirdi or from Madras is carried to us the next day in tapals.

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Deepaja Pichayya Sastri, (Brahmin aged about 45) Telugu Pandit.**V. R. College, Nellore.**

22nd Sept. '38.

I and my wife read the Telugu book "Sai Leela". Just then we got information that my daughter at Bezwada was unwell. We were perplexed and were arranging to start for Bezwada the next day. During the night or rather at dawn, my wife had a dream in which an old-man appeared to her and said "Do not fear, your daughter is safe". In the morning we received a letter confirming

the dream. The letter stated that the daughter was safe and that there was no ground for anxiety. We fully believe that the old-man in the dream was no other than Baba.

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Palukur Venkatakrihna Reddi (aged 27)

Clerk, Rice Mill, Nellore. Sept. 1938

My daughter Mastanamma is one year old. She was long having diarrhoea and fever. Medicines from hospital could not effect a lasting cure. Then I got Sai Baba's Udhi and photo and gave udhi to the child. After it was used twice, diarrhoea ceased. Since then she is using Udhi alone as medicine for her, thrice a day and she is completely cured. She is alright now. We found that without medicine, Udhi alone effected the cure and so the faith of the family in Sai is greatly strengthened.

My sister at Thatiparti (30 miles off Nellore) had post parturition troubles. Ayurvedic medicines were given but she was passing from bad to worse. The physicians were helpless and advised removal of the patient to Nellore. She was taken to the Nellore American Hospital where the doctor in charge said that the symptoms would not abate for a week and that thereafter he would decide on the course. But within two days, the patient grew worse and had 20 to 30 motions (with blood) per diem. We gave up hope. Then four days we gave Baba's Udhi to the patient and she gradually got better and was cured in a week.

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**Sow. Syamala, daughter of K. Theperumal Chetty, Vyasia, (aged 19),
reading in the Montessori School, George Town, Madras.**

I am reading in the Montessori School for 2 years.

I know Baba.

Uncle (i. e., Rao Sahib Papaiya Chettiar) writes about Baba I hear his words. I read also his book, I read one chapter a day.

Narashimhaswami comes to uncle's house. He always says 'Baba, Baba.'

After he came, uncle wrote "Sai Lila"

I then read one chapter a day.

Baba is Krishna. Krishna is Baba.

Baba is good and nice. Baba helps uncle to get health. Last year I put my hand on aunt's dressing table. Lid fell. My hand was crushed. I cried. Uncle said "Think of Baba". I said, "Baba, Baba". In 15 minutes, there was no pain. I was alright.

Last year, our teacher, Miss Manuel got a bus. She told me, "Get in". We all got in and went to "Aquarium". All girls came. There, there was lightning and loud thunder. All girls feared. I cried loudly "Baba, Baba". Then I told the girls "Say Sai Baba, Sai Baba". All said so. All got bold. All were right. After coming to school, I told girls "Sai Baba is Mahatma". "He gives all things."

Later I had belly ache. I was sick. But I could not vomit. I went to uncle. "Give me Baba's Udhi" I said. But he gave medicine. That was no use. Then he came and put udhi in mouth. In one minute, I was right. I got up. No pain, no sickness. I told uncle "see, by udhi, I am right".

Somedays I sleep at uncle's house. Somedays in my grandmother's house. There are many girls there. I tell them always about Baba. I say, "Girls think of Baba, before sleeping". They do so. My grandmother and grandfather also do so.

Often I think of Baba and see the sky. I see Baba high, in the sky, just like photograph.

Yesterday my grandmother (i. e., father's mother) died. I was sorry. I wept much. I saw Baba in the evening in the sky. He said "Do not cry, I have taken your grandma, she is happy. Do not be afraid."

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Adilakshmiamma wife of Bhavu Swami aged about 50,

95, Annapillai Street, Madras.

I went to Shirdi with my husband and two girls, on 23rd August, 1915.

We first went to Nasik and served Narsing Bua in Lala Ram Temple there. He told us to go and see Sai Baba of Shirdi.

We found Baba's durbar very grand. Any number of dancing girls danced before him. Kathas were performed. Acrobatic feats were exhibited. There was a very thrilling crowd always at the mosque and accompanied Baba to Chavadi. We stayed there a month or a month and a half.

My husband had not much faith in Baba at the start. He then had a dream wherein he was bound hand and foot, Baba released him in the dream. Hence he got faith in Baba from that time. Baba used to give us and others barfi, supplied by a local shopman. Two rupees worth barfi would daily be showered on us. We felt we had no need for it. Baba one day gave us Rs. 4/- in cash.

Only once (30-8-15) I gave him Naived. I prepared it with intense devotion (and fear whether he would accept it or not) thinking of Baba and repeating his name all the time I prepared the dishes-viz., Baji and payasa. When I took and placed them before Him, a Brahmin widow (Durgabai) placed them at the bottom of the row, i. e. far away from Baba.

Baba gradually moved up to that dish and began to eat it with relish and sharing it with Syama etc., ate up the whole lot. I was delighted at the acceptance of my devotion. Baba knew our hearts and responded to love. At parting, he said our railway fare to Kasi should be given to us, say 200 or 300 Rupees. But it was not paid to us. But en-route we went to Harda Ghat and there got all over pilgrimage expenses (contributed by devotees).

My husband wrote out our experiences and sent them to Shirdi. They called me Buamayi and my husband Bua. There I said to Mrs. Tarabai Tarkhad, feeling something wrong about me when I went to Baba, "Baba would beat me today". I went with the same impression to Baba and he then abused me and kicked me off when I approached his feet. Again

Baba knew my heart and the real facts, and in his justice inflicted the punishment I expected.

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Bhavu Swami (Govindaswami) Madras.

I was till recently in the Madras Electric Tramways. I took leave and started with my wife and children for allround pilgrimage in 1915.

My Guru is Ram Bhavu of South Canara. So I am called Bhavu Swami.

In 1915 August 23rd, Rakshasi Avani 6th (Sunday) we went to Sai Baba at Shirdi at 10-30 a. m. We did Bhajana and Baba gave me 8 Annas. We daily got Rs. 2/- barfi and Rs. 2/- cash. We sold off the barfi at once for Rs. 1-12-0 to the shopkeeper generally.

I kept a diary of all these. This is all the diary, On 3-9-1915. I have noted that I had a wonderful dream. Dr. Pillai told me to give in writing the details of that dream. I wrote it out at Shirdi and gave it to Dr. Pillai. We daily perform Bhajana before Baba, and some times before Ayi. We were highly appreciated. We were given by Ayi, a Mahratti Book containing a life of Baba.

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Miss K. V. Minakshi (aged 11) reading in 4th Standard, Church Park Convent, Mount Road, Madras.

April 1939.

For two years I have been worshipping Shri Sai Baba. I pray to him. I asked him by chits the date on which my examination would be held. My teacher kept the date secret. I cast chits with various dates before Baba. I prayed and my sister took up one chit. That was 1-12-1938. In fact, the examination was suddenly held on that day. Baba often helps me like this. I use his Udhi when I am ill. The Udhi cures.

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Statement of T. Arumugam Pillai, Muthialpet High School, 97, Thambu Chetty Street, Madras.

1. My child of nine months had an attack of diarrhoea and the discharges were of a peculiar red colour causing us much anxiety. A similiar attack 4 months back while the child was at Chittoor was cured by the D. M. S. O. after much trouble. I feared similar trouble on this occasion also and wished to go to Chittoor for treatment. But my wife prayed to Baba, put his udhi into the milk and gave it to the child in the morning. That very day the diarrhoea was cured.

2. About 50 days back, I was desirous of getting a pair of silver jyothi lights to be lit before Baba for worship. I had only Rs. 5/- to buy them with and went to a silver shop. That shopman told me that the minimum price he could charge for a pair was Rs. 7/-. So I was leaving the place giving up all hope of getting a silver pair of lamps. Suddenly the next shopman whose son had been a student under me, called me, learnt from me what I was in need of and presented me with a silver pair of jyothis and refused to accept any price for the same. Here was Baba's help to me to carry on my worship of his picture in the manner I desired.

3. Baba's help to me on the financial side also is quite noteworthy. My private tuition income of Rs. 25 a month I badly equired to occupy my premises for which I had to pay Rs. 25 as rental. That tuition suddenly stopped in April last. I had to vacate the place, I feared. It is no joke to find another convenient place. When I was worried about this and was thinking of vacating the place, the head clerk of my school suddenly came in and of his own accord suggested that I might continue to occupy one half of my premises and lease the other half. The idea of was quite new to me, but was excellent. But where are we to go for a vegetarian co-tenant (myself and my wife being strict vegetarians). The problem remained to be faced. In few hours, a newly wedded couple, strictly vegetarian, was badly in need of such quarters and applied to my friend, the head clerk, and he introduced them to me. There was a legal difficulty, as the landlord's permission may be

needed for a sub-lease. My wife cast lots before Baba and Baba ordered the sub-lease. The landlord agreed also. Just at that time the same pupils again wanted their tuition and my income was restored.

Very recently I was at Chittoor and wished to take a bus starting at night to proceed to Madras. It was about midnight when I went to the bus. It was all dark. There was none there, so far as I could see. I got into a seat to rest awhile. Presently a drunken person came to me with insulting words. I told him that I would talk to him after he regained sobriety in the morning. The man fulminated abuse and threats and then took up an iron handle (which is used for starting the car). He heaved it high and, with the remark that he would kill me, and was about to bring it down on my head. I was helpless and shouted "Baba". The driver suddenly jumped up (evidently roused from his sleep by the noise) and seized the handle and my life was saved. My faith in Baba has become firmer by this instance of his protecting me.

T. Kuppuswami Sastri (aged 52) Son of Ramswamy Sastri, Station Master, Singaperumal Koil, says:—

There was chest pain for five years troubling me till 13-4-1939. Then I got Udhi and picture of Sai Baba from Ramnath Sastri. I used it and prayed to Baba. That date there was no more of chest pain. That pain used to afflict me every day from 3 p. m. for about 15 minutes and again at midnight with greater virulence and I had to take in Soda Powder to reduce the pain. But after I used the Udhi I have had no pain at all and I do not use soda powder or any other medicine. This is clear proof of the powers of Baba and His Udhi. I am daily worshipping Baba's portrait along with Sri Rama's.

Miss K. V. Lalitha

(June 1939)

I have great reverence for Baba. I worship his picture and I pray to him often. When I left behind my Geography practical book one day at home, I feared that my teacher would severely scold me and I prayed to Baba for help. When the Geography

hour came, the Geography teacher was absent. I was so glad. But suddenly an L. T. Teacher came up and wanted to hold the Geography class. I then frankly told the L. T. Lady that I had left my book behind. That lady merely told me to bring it the next day and took no further notice of my omission.

Another day when the periodical examination was very near, my English text book which I left at the school was missing. I was very much upset and I prayed to Baba. In half an hour, my friend Miss Priscilla who had by mistake taken it away returned it.

When I went up for the last S. S. L. C. Examination I was diffident about the result. A relation of mine went up and looked at the marks before the publication of the results and informed me that I got 1 or 2 marks below the necessary minimum in 1 or 2 subjects and that there would be hope for me if there was a moderation. I intensely prayed day after day to Baba to get me a pass. Though no moderation was allowed, grace marks were added or allowances made in some cases. When the results were published, my name was in the pass list.

In 1937 October, my cousin Santa of Erode aged then nearly two years had enlargement of the liver for months and the case was serious. Treatment by English and "Jemmi" medicines proved of no avail. Then when Jemmi medicines were continued, Baba's udhi was applied to her body and given in bits for her to eat. Then the disease grew less severe. In a year she became alright.

Another cousin of mine, Gururajan had liver and spleen enlargements ever since he was one or two years old. Gradually he got better and seemed to be cured in his 7th year. But in his ninth year i. e., two years ago he had a sudden relapse and he passed blood in his urine. His life was despaired of. We gave him Baba's picture and udhi and advised his parents to make vows to Sai Baba. Then he had treatment from Dr. Mac Roberts. The boy had some visions of some one visiting him also. He is alright for the last 18 months.

Sow- Amritam (Mrs. N. Subramanya Iyer) Dindigul

Last April, I had typhoid fever. On the 15th day, when fever was still high, at 6-30 p. m. a figure appeared before me. He was seated in Padmasana form. He spoke to me, advising me not to lose my temper when dealing with children. "If you avoid" said he "getting so frequently angry with children, then you will be blest". He uttered many sanskrit stanzas which seemed to stress the truth that children are obtained by parents as the fruit of much merit. Then he disappeared. From that time, my temperature steadily decreased and I recovered my health.

Sow. Kantimati Ammal, daughter of Virabadra Pillai of this town, aged 20, has been for three or four years longing for issue. We knew it and some five months back I gave her Baba's Udhi and old her to smear it on her forehead. I told her that by Baba's grace she would have issue. She went away. Now she is in thIramily way.

NOTICE**"SHRI SAI LILA"**

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