

after some conversation, mostly between Akram and ourselves, as the wife kept very quiet on account of her husband's presence, we came away. We made another short visit to a Parsee lady an old friend of mine.

Saturday is usually a holiday in all our Mhow schools; so it was a special thing; the boys meeting that day. But although their school work is closed on that day the Misses Stockbridge continue the Zenana work.

On Sabbath morning we visited the largest and principal Sabbath School (two others meet later in the day in different places). We found 250 present. Of these 92 were beggars and the rest 158 regular Sunday School scholars. You will be surprised to hear that boys and girls were both there, though of course the girls were all taught by the Misses Stockbridge and native Christian women. The classes were necessarily large owing to the small number of Christian teachers available; but we were both very much pleased with the answers given by the different classes when at the close Mr. Campbell questioned each class. I think five or six classes have gone through most of Barth's Scripture History. They were at Paul's life the day we were there. The younger classes were being taught the Commandments, hymns and verses. But what struck us most was the singing of the little girls—so correct and without screaming. Besides the ordinary daily singing in their schools the Misses Stockbridge set apart a special hour every week for practising the hymns with all who care to come. The little organ you sent is a great help in this. We did not attempt to visit the other Sunday Schools that day as Mr. Campbell had two services before him that evening. Nor had we an opportunity of examining the girls' schools during that visit; but last Thursday I went to Mhow again with two ladies from the Rajpootana Mission who were spending a few days with us and we all visited two of the girls' schools. The first one we went to—the one started in my time in the beginning of 1880, has become a large and flourishing school; the number of pupils on the roll last month 107, with an average attendance of 78—last year 56—this year much increased. Of these 18 are learning English—11 in primer, 1 in 1st book and 6 in 2nd book. This last and highest English Class, which by the bye is composed entirely of Parsee girls, we heard read their English lesson for the day and also saw their writing—both very good. I was sorry we had not time to try their knowledge of arithmetic—they are at long division—and of geography. In the Hindi classes 36 were present; in the Marathi 45; and in Urdu (Oordoo) 3. Some of the most advanced in Marathi and