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not doubt that a change had been wrought. He said he was seventeen years old, so we told him he could not be baptized, but suggested that he look at his horoscope, as he appeared older to us, then we saw nothing more of him for some time and feared he had fallen among enemies. When he came again he would scarcely talk at all, but on the 30th. of October he was here before daylight asking baptism and showed a copy of the date of his horoscope, proving that he was nearly nineteen. It was determined that he should be received the next morning, if he did not fail to appear. The Police Superintendent was in town and he was asked to protect our compound from the mob, which soon gathered and asked admittance at the locked gates. The police which probably would have been comparatively useless without a white man at their head kept the crowd from scaling the walls. His father and some of the leading men of the town were admitted, they urged, argued and pleaded in our presence; then they asked to have him out of the house but he refused to go; then to have him in a room alone and we gave them ten minutes only as we were determined that he should not be overcome at last by physical weariness. After this we offered him rice in their presence and when he ate it, the high Caste men seemed to be robbed of their strength and soon left. His Grandmother came and wailed. His mother is dead, his uncle pleaded again and again, the tears came to his eyes, but God gave him wonderful calmness and determination. Finally they insisted on his being examined by the medical officer to see if he was sound in mind and that he had not drugged him, they wanted him to go to the hospital instead of the apothecary coming here. He