in fact it was a native policeman in uniform. His usual behaviour is far from angelic, but if for this once he did God's errand, let us for this once, at least, call him by a good name. He rescued the baby, hunted up the mother, arrested her for desertion, and brought her to Balasore, where she was confined in the jail, waiting her trial.

The jail is only a few rods from our house, and one day 1 met the civil surgeon in charge, who asked if 1 would take the baby, as the mother was determined not to keep it, and it was unjust to the child to let it suffer in her hands.

Before the next morning I had found Chloe, one of our poor Christain women, who was to care for the child temporarily, till it was old enough to be put into the mission orphanage. Chloe had two sons, but the daughtershe had always hoped for God had withheld. When she received the little one into her arms, 'twas with a smile as loving and full of motherly pride as though, instead of being a diseased, outcast starveling, the child were beautiful and her own. The arrangement was that the baby should be furnished with all the milk it needed and she paid for its care. In a few months the child looked like a new creature, and had won a large place in the hearts of its foster parents and brothers.

The father seemed especially fond of her, and you would have thought him the happiest man in India if you had seen him smile as she ran to meet him with outstretched arms calling "baba, baba" (papa, papa). They named her "Molika," and took great pride in calling her their own baby. When she was old enough to be put into the orphanage there was great sorrow and many tears were shed.

I am always glad-when these little ones are adopted into good Christian families, for there they get the love of parents which nothing in an orghanage can quite make up to them. 'But Chloe was so poor I had little idea she would care to add to her burdens. To my surprise some one came, saying, "Missi Baba, they are all crying. They say they want the baby for their own and don't want the pay for its care ; but they know it would suffer without milk, they cannot afford to buy, , and so for the baby's sake it must go."

I understood the difficulty. Milk is very expensive compared with other things, and thus far the monthly allowance for the baby had cost three quarters as much as all the father's earnings. I thought 'twould be cruel of me to take her away when they loved her as their own.

I went to see them. We sat in a circle on the earth floor, and planned for the baby. I saw they were quite in earnest, and so promised to let them keep her and pay for the milk myself till she could that rice. I made the little one over to them finally. We all knelt and prayed for God's blessing on parent and child, and 1 left the family rejoicing as though their baby had been lost and found. The poor mother died in jail before her trial came off, and the foster-mother never asked me for another piece for the baby's care lest the touch of my money might make the child less her own. - Mis. + sionary Helper.

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