

Saturda~ 17th August 1901

We left today at about 2 p.m. for Quilon. In the evening we could reach only Ponmana, a lonely place on the sea shore. We walked to the beach where we found a huge fish which had been washed ashore by the waves. We called two fishermen who cut it open and carried it away.

Sunda~ 18th August 1901

Arrived in the morning at Chankisathuvadarur[?] our estate in Cheriayunkit[?]. Nephew Rama Varma has started a fibre mill worked by steam power. It remains to be seen how far it will succeed. We sent back the cabin boat from here and left in the night for Trivandrum in canoes. It was Ganesh Chathurthi and it was difficult to sit in the boat and not see the moon.170

Monda~ 19th August 1901

Arrived at Trivandrum very early this morning. The death of the Elaya Raja the First Prince and the Senior Rani so soon after each other have made the town very gloomy. We visited the two young Princesses, the present Ranis and their mothers. The Maharaja returned from Courtallam 171 this evening after a fortnight's absence.

Tuesda~ 20th August 1901

At 11 a.m. today we paid our respects to H.H. The Maharaja. Ms Thanu Pillay-the chief secretary-was in when we went there, as there were other visitors waiting such as Messers Padmanabha Rao, Periaraya Sheristhadar, M. Raja Raja Varma-Inspector of schools-and our visits were necessarily short.

Saturda~ 2+th August 1901

Took leave of the Maharaja in the morning and in the evening visited the Princesses and the Valiya Koil Thampuram.172 Left Trivandrum for Kilimanur, in the evening at 9. Brother's eldest daughter, the Senior Rani's mother and her husband left for Mavelikara this evening.

Sunda~ 25th August 1901

[+++] Home again! [+++]

Mter coffee at Attingal we started and arrived here [Kilimanur] at about 10 a.m. Cousin K.R.R. who is having his mother's Diksha has a thick and bushy beard.173 He is glad that he will be a free man after two months. I am glad to find all at home in good health.

Monda~ 26th August 1901

Yesterday I wrote replies to the Raja of Kurupan, Anant Varman Bharve of Nasik and Chinubhai Madavalal, Ahmedabad; Today to P.M. Varkey,

