



Saturda~ 15th June 1901

This morning I felt very sick and also last night I felt giddy and could not even walk for fear of falling down. I vomited once before taking my coffee. Dr Shepherd and Mr Jameson-his assistant-called in the morning to see our pictures. After their departure I slept till about 12 o'clock noon when I got up refreshed and my head clear. The cause is I think indigestion.

Sunda~ 16th June 1901

Mr G.E. Lillie paid us a visit this morning. He is the superintendant of the Udaipur State Railway. In the evening Ms Pannalal the Ex-Dewan and Fatehlal called on us. A telegram addressed to Brother was brought at about 5.30, but on opening it, it was found that the contents were indeed for another man and related to certain wedding arrangements. We returned it to the peon and asked him to bring back our own. He has not returned till we retired at night.

Monda~ 17th June 1901

Early this morning the telegram was brought to us and it contained the awful news of another calamity of Travancore and its Royal Family, the death of Her Highness the Senior Rani c.!. [C.S.I].153 This was what was expected. The shock produced by the Elaya Raja's death acted as powerfully on her already enfeebled body that she could not survive the loss. May God have mercy on us. What successive blows.

Tuesda~ 18th June 1901

The portrait of Pratap Singh and H.H. the Maharana were removed to the palace last evening and this morning at eleven. His Highness gave us a sitting in full dress. It was a sitting only in name. He got soon tired, so that we had to stop after making [only] some of the ornaments he had on.

Wednesda~ 19th June.

The Maharana sent us last evening a present of fruits consisting of seedless green grapes and excellent mangoes. We went this morning to the Sambu Nivas Palace to paint the Maharana's portrait. I am reading an account of the late Queen Empresse's life in Hindi published in the 'Saraswati' a monthly Hindi Magazine issued from the Indrani Press at Allahabad. I must subscribe for it, it is so interesting.

Thursda~ 20th June 1901

The local language is a mixture of corrupt Hindi, Gujerati and Mahratti and when spoken by the lower class of people is difficult to be understood. It

