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20th July, 1936.

B.Laghate Esq., B.A., L.L.B., Ex-Sub-Judge, Brahmin, aged 70, Shaniwarpeth, Poona, says:

I went to Sai Baba about 1913 or 1914. I was in trouble and I went to get his *ashirwad* (i.e.) blessings to get rid of the trouble. When I approached him, he asked for *dakshina* and I gave it. He said to me of his own accord 'sow margosa and afterwards cut off that tree'* I could not make head or tail of this utterance. I was evidently not the *asirvad* I went to him for. I was disappointed and I never went to him again, though at about that time, I lived with Mr.H.S.Dixit (who was a staunch devotee of Sai Baba) for three years.

