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## MISS RODGER'S LETTER.

INDORE, August 24th, 1885.

MY DEAR MRS. HARVIE,—

For many reasons I have not been able to answer your last two letters sooner. You have heard some months ago that the boarding school scheme has been approved of, and estimates have gone home for a building. The delay was rather trying, especially to those who knew all the circumstances. The estimates will not reach home before July, and will not be included in the money to be raised this year. Will that be the case or not? The present intention is to put up a two-story house, the upper story to be used for sleeping apartments, and the cooking will be done on the ground floor. There will be no need for a school-room, as they will attend my school, which is in the same compound. A dwelling house is also in course of erection and will soon be finished, as it is quite necessary to have the two buildings quite near to each other. The number of the girls has not increased, but this is wholly owing to want of accommodation. Dinah's mother pays 2 Rs. per month, and clothes her child besides. The mother of the other two girls gives a small sum, which is all she can afford with her large family. The girls' school is well attended for the season of the year. It is a month of holidays the month of August, and this year especially it seems to be a month of sickness. There are not many changes in the school; a few new girls have entered, and a few have left on account of their families going to other stations. The two brightest and most advanced Parsi