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From Mrs. Wilkie.

CANADIAN MISSION,

INDORE, May 20th, 1885.

My dear Mrs. Harvie:

I am sure you will rejoice with us that at last Miss Rodger's Boarding School has been started. It is an affair of small beginnings, but it, if carried out as now thought of, will have very important bearings on the future mission work of Central India.

You will be pleased to know that it was the Christian congregation at Indore that specially gave it the start. For a long time it had been thought of, but for various reasons delayed, till the Christians, feeling very keenly the need, determined to give their monthly collections (about 50 Rupees or \$20) entirely for this purpose, if the Council would agree to it. It was again delayed for some time, as no suitable building could be obtained; so at last Miss Rodger, rather than disappoint or dishearten the Christians, resolved to begin it in their own home, even though their accommodation was so limited. Its necessity leads us to have great hopes in regard to it. It will meet a want long felt, and help us to take up a class of work as yet untouched. The scheme of the Church at Indore is much the same as that of which Miss Rodger wrote to you, and Mr. Wilkie wrote to Dr. Wardrope in August last.

First—It is intended to have in the Boarding School Christian girls, who will be educated and prepared for future usefulness. Even though these people have taken a step upward in becoming Christians, still it takes time to undo the influence of