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WHEN?—WHEN.

BY MRS. M. T. COLE.

"When shall these things be?" Matt. 24: 8.

"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Matt. 24: 14.

WHEN will the seventh trumpet sound and Jesus say, "'Tis done,"

And all his faithful soldiers shout, "At last the victory's won?"

When will the happy moment come for which we've waited long,

When all the ransomed of the Lord shall sing redemption's song?

When every nation has been warned, the host gathered in,

When each has washed his robe, all perfect, free from sin,

His body, soul, and spirit given to God, the judge of all,

Then Christ's desire will be complete, and he, the Lord will call

His sleeping saints from out their graves. The living, too will know

His voice, and cry, "It is the Lord," for he has told them so.

And angels, thousands, thousands chant the happy, happy song;

"Come, ye blessed, share my throne;" eternity is long.

Forever with the Lord our God, our tears all wiped away,

No sorrow, sin, nor night we'll know, for 'twill be always day;

With golden harps and jeweled crowns, with Jesus we will sing,

And all the universe of heaven with transport joys will ring.

"THEY that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." Dan. 12: 3.

REDEEMING THE TIME

By MRS. E. G. WHITE

LET us now arise, and redeem the time. Everything in the universe calls upon those who know the truth to consecrate themselves unreservedly to the proclamation of the truth as it has been made known to them in the third angel's message.

That which we see of the needs of the millions of colored people in the South, calls us to our duty. We are not to become dispirited or disheartened over the outlook. The Lord lives and reigns. And He expects us to do our part, by training for service and by sustaining in the field those who are best fitted to labor for the colored people. To our every effort He will add His blessing. His faithful servants in charge of the various lines of work, will be given wisdom to discern talent, and to train an army of workers to labor with courageous perseverance for their own race. There is work to be done in many hard places, and out of these places laborers are to come.

The field is opening in the Southern States, and many wise, Christian colored men and women will be called to the work. The Lord now gives us the opportunity of searching out these persons, and of teaching them how to engage in the work of saving souls. When they go into the field, God will cooperate with them, and give them the victory.

WITH OUR CORRESPONDENTS

A BROTHER at Lindsay, Ontario, writes thus encouragingly:

"Dear brethren: The Self-Denial Box has reached me, and I am well pleased with it. Our family has already given it a reception. We have no children of our own but an adopted boy of six years of age, who has been raised in our home with the exception of three months of his life. This last week he went out to sell "Signs," and in less than an hour he sold nine copies. After his experience he says, 'Won't it seem funny to the people to see a little boy like me have money of his own to give to the Lord: to pay tithe, give money to missions and to Sabbath-school.'

"He wanted to give his whole earnings away to one thing and then another,

therefore he made a start with the Self-Denial Box. I presented the matter before the church, and I would ask you to kindly forward to my address twelve more of the boxes. By a little encouragement we may be able to give some aid to that most worthy cause."

THE teacher at Natchez, Miss., sends the following with one of his reports:

"The enclosed report of our school is for the week just ended. We are gladly acknowledging the Lord's favoring hand; and glad to say that our work is gaining in influence. We feel that our membership will still continue to grow, especially in the vacation term of public schools here, when I think we shall have our hands full.

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SUMMER SCHOOL AT OAKWOOD

LAST January the Southern Union Conference Committee, in session at Graysville, Tennessee, recommended the holding of a summer school at Oakwood, Alabama, for the benefit, primarily, of mission and church school teachers.

This institute, or summer school, was to be held under the auspices of the Southern Missionary Society. Those in charge of the work of the Society hesitated for some time about going forward with the institute because of the lack of funds to pay the necessary expenses; but as there seemed to be a real demand for it, that is, a real need, it was finally decided to go ahead; and the institute will be held June 6 to July 17.

This institute will be under the immediate direction of W. J. Blake, principal of the Oakwood school, who will be assisted in the work by F. R. Rogers, superintendent of mission schools, and a strong corps of teachers. It is expected that Elder Butler, Professor Tenney, Professor Sutherland, Professor Wilkinson, Elder Kilgore, and Elder and Mrs. S. N. Haskell will all be present and assist in the work of the institute, some of them probably only for a short time however.

The reason for holding this institute is the necessity for unifying our church and mission school work among the colored people and raising the standard of qualification to teach in our schools.

We have had great difficulty in the past in securing properly equipped teachers. Some were deficient in educational qualifications; and some, who were comparatively well-equipped in that respect, were without experience in teaching and unacquainted with the principles of Christian education, having received their training in worldly schools.

A short institute was held last year at Vicksburg, Mississippi, by this Society, at which time something was done to unify and bring better system into our mission school work. It was felt by those who were present on that occasion that a longer institute should be held this year and that all our colored workers, so far as was practicable, ought to have the privilege of attending.

The instruction given at the Oakwood institute will be of the most practical

character. The outline of study is as follows:

Bible.—1. Bible History; 2. Bible Doctrines. To be given in lectures and class review work.

English.—1. Review Work; 2. Methods of teaching; 3. Letter Writing and Composition.

Arithmetic.—1. Review Work; 2. Mental Drills; 3. Practical Application of Fundamental Principles.

Drills.—Special instruction in the principles of spelling, reading, and writing will be given.

Primary Methods.—1. Principles of Successful Teaching; 2. How to interest the children.

School Management.—1. Organization; 2. Classification; 3. Methods; 4. Discipline.

Missionary Work.—1. Canvassing; 2. Bible Work; 3. Missionary Correspondence.

Health Work.—1. Simple Treatments; 2. Cooking.

The expense of this institute will be borne by the Southern Missionary Society. This will be quite an additional financial burden, but it is believed that the results will justify the expense.

The outlook for the work among the colored people was never more promising than now. Our colored brethren are united and loyal and feel greatly encouraged by the efforts that are being put forth to place their work upon a more substantial basis.

Our people in the north are becoming better acquainted with the colored work, and while donations to this branch of the work have not increased as rapidly as desired, and have indeed scarcely held their own, owing to the many calls in other directions, yet we believe the hearts of our people are being turned this way and that the rank and file of our brethren and sisters everywhere are becoming more intelligent in regard to the work here. Seeing indications of this, and knowing that we have behind us a liberal-hearted constituency, we feel of good courage to press forward believing, yea, knowing that the prospering hand of the Lord is with the work.

WE have been disappointed in not getting a school started in Mobile. The teacher who had been engaged was prevented by sickness from actually entering upon the work.

AN EXPLANATION

SOME have written us, asking if money from the Self-Denial Boxes or other donations to the Southern Missionary Society, or in other words, donations for aggressive work for the colored people, can be counted on the one hundred fifty thousand dollar fund. We reply to this question that donations to this Society are not a part of the one hundred fifty thousand dollars, for the reason that neither the Southern Missionary Society nor any other department of field work receives any share of the one hundred fifty thousand dollars now being raised for building institutions in various places.

The fifty thousand dollars coming to the Southern field from the one hundred fifty thousand dollar fund has been apportioned as follows by the Southern Union Conference Committee in counsel with representatives of the General Conference:

Nashville San. (white)	\$25,750.00
The Watchman	2,000.00
Southern Pub. Asso.	6,000.00
Huntsville (colored)	5,750.00
Graysville San. (white)	2,250.00
Atlanta San. (white)	3,750.00
Sou. Train. Sch. (white)	4,000.00
Unappropriated	500.00

It will be observed that in this apportionment \$5,750 goes to the colored school at Huntsville, Alabama, the remaining \$44,250.00, or 88½% of the fifty thousand dollars to be expended in this field goes into the various institutions connected with the white work with the possible exception of the \$500 still unappropriated.

In view of the fact that neither the mission schools nor evangelistic work for the colored people receives any aid from the one hundred fifty thousand dollar fund, we would urge the friends of this work not to slack their efforts in the least degree to provide means for carrying forward this important branch of the cause in this field.

We have been told, and experience has demonstrated the truth of the statement, that the mission schools are the most fruitful means of reaching the masses of the colored people with the truth; and there certainly ought to be no letting down in this branch of the work. Indeed it ought to be pushed forward more vigorously than ever before. Instead of any relaxation on the part of those who are engaged in this work and

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A TRUMPET CALL

THE words from Sister White printed on the first page of this paper should be a regular trumpet call to every lover of present truth.

As a final opportunity was given the followers of Christ to flee from Jerusalem before that city was entirely shut in by the Roman armies, so now in the midst of tokens that the work must soon close here, we are told that "the field is opening in the Southern states."

This is true: thousands of hearts are ready for the message now, but these doors will not stand open long. It is the final opportunity to do a work for God and for humanity in this field.

CHEERING WORDS FROM ATLANTA

THE work here is still progressing. The Lord is still opening doors for us to enter. We firmly believe that we shall have a good harvest of souls. Our Sabbath meetings are well attended and we shall be obliged to rent a larger room soon. On the 6th of April we celebrated the ordinance of the Lord's house. Two were baptized and three were added to the church. This is encouraging to us.

W. H. SEBASTIAN.

THE ATLANTA BUILDING FUND

WE are sorry to say that this fund is not growing as we had hoped to see it grow. We still hope that the money for this building, which is so much needed, will be raised speedily. Shall we not rear in Atlanta a memorial for present truth? This is only one of the many we have been told should be reared in the South. The sum required is small, only

\$700, shall we not rally to the work and make up the amount at once?

Previously acknowledged,	\$144.40
Mrs. Mary Washburn,	1.00
J. P. Larsen,	1.25
C. P. Bollman,	1.00
Total,	147.65

ELDER M. C. Strachan has been called to Washington to engage in the work there for a time. The best wishes and prayers of the brethren in the South go with this brother to his new field of labor. We hope however that circumstances will so shape themselves as to allow him to return to the Southern field ere long. There is great need of laborers here.

NATCHEZ

"I HAVE planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then, neither is he that planteth anything, neither is he that watereth; but that God giveth the increase." "Every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labor." "For we are laborers together with God."

We praise the Lord for seed sown here by faithful brethren during the past summer. The little band of believers gathered out of the citadels of error, by the third angel's message, are growing stronger day by day, as they feed upon the word. They are becoming zealous missionaries, and as a result many are being turned to the last saving call of a merciful Saviour.

Since coming upon the field here I have watered the good seed sown, and am keeping up the sowing. As a result three have begun keeping the Sabbath, others are deeply stirred, and we feel sure the Lord will add to our little flock such as shall be saved.

The good school established here as the fitting climax to the tent effort wisely managed is prospering. One student has begun anew to keep the Sabbath, and attends Sabbath-school, saying her Bible seems to be a new book to her since attending the school and she can't stay away from service. Three others are coming to Sabbath-school and all four are especially seeking the Lord. Every morning half an hour before school opens in the meeting room, earnest prayers ascend from youthful lips and a marked change is manifest in their

deportment, for which we praise the Lord and rejoice in his love.

The Lord had gone out before the tent effort put forth here and prepared the hearts to receive the truth. He also put it into the hearts of Sister Temple and Sister Ireland of California, the former a native of Natchez, to acknowledge God's love for them by donating two good lots for the work here. These lots furnish a valuable building site in a very desirable neighborhood, and we are preparing to build as speedily as means can be secured. We have written a plea for help, setting forth the necessity for Christian education, placing four or five of these in the hands of brethren to distribute among the friends and neighbors, and we believe the Lord will greatly bless, as good reports are coming in for they seek out those whom the Lord is impressing to help.

But in the meantime we would gladly welcome the efforts of any who may chance to read these lines to help us establish a memorial to the truth in Natchez, and believe with the Lord that "men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him."

Kindly send all donations to the Southern Missionary Society, Nashville, Tennessee, plainly stating the object for which given.

PAGE SHEPARD.

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

[THIS brief appeal for the colored work in Memphis is from the President of the Tennessee River Conference. We hope it will meet a generous response.]

Memphis, Tennessee, is a city of nearly two hundred thousand people. Fully one third of this population is colored. A church has been organized there consisting of sixteen members. They have to meet in a rented hall, not very convenient or desirable. They very much need a house in which to worship and hold a school. They are poor, but from their small earnings over the wash-tub or ironing-board, they propose to help build this church. Are there not some of our people who have more than they need, who are willing to give and who will give to help this needy company?

W. R. BURROW.

"THE earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof." Ps. 24:1.

those who are contributing to its support, we should all redouble our diligence and make more earnest efforts than ever before to advance this particular department of the message.

It is important that the "big fund" be raised, and that as quickly as possible; but let us not feel when this is done that every line of the work has been provided for.

For years the struggling institutions in the Southern field have been in a crippled condition because only partially equipped. It is hoped that the \$50,000 coming to them from the one hundred fifty thousand dollar fund will place them on vantage ground. But the amount is far too small to do this and at the same time to devote anything whatever to the support of mission schools and other lines of field work. These must therefore be supported as in the past by donations made directly for that purpose.

We feel very thankful to the friends of the mission school and other lines of evangelistic effort for the loyal support they have given and are still giving us; and we venture to hope that giving to this particular line of work will still continue, and that the streams of liberality which have been flowing into the mission schools will continue to flow.

This work is in a prosperous condition and reports from all parts of the field are most encouraging. Results are being seen and we believe that no one who has been interested in this work in the past will be willing to see any backward steps taken in it. The Lord has said that there should be memorials for the truth in the shape of small schools for the colored people erected all over the Southern field, and we are laboring and will labor to that end.

WITH OUR CORRESPONDENTS

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"At any rate we are looking to Him who is able to give us the victory, and we feel assured that the Lord will back every earnest effort put forth to honor His glorious name.

"Yours in the Master's service,

An appreciative reader who formerly lived in Michigan but who has removed to Vermont writes:

"Enclosed please find twenty-five cents for one year's subscription to the GOSPEL HERALD. We appreciate the paper and

wish to continue it, though up here in Vermont instead of Michigan, as formerly."

Now, friends, that is the way to do it; instead of changing your address and leaving the postmaster to notify us of the fact, just drop us a card or write us a good letter.

A mother who evidently believes in teaching the children self-denial says:

"Enclosed please find \$1.25 for the school work among the colored people. A good deal of this my little boy of nine earned delivering milk at a penny a trip, which he was willing and anxious to send to the colored people."

FROM THE FRONTIER

DEAR BRETHREN: Enclosed find three dollars for the "Story of Joseph." I wanted them before Christmas so as to sell them for presents, but they did not arrive until Friday after. I have sold only four of them so far, but think I will be able to sell the others in time. I could sell them for thirty cents as readily as for twenty-five; people expect to pay high for things because we are so far from transportation.

We don't have much money for donations as we are all poor, but next year I am going to donate a part of my poultry to the Southern Missionary Society. I started with two hens last spring, and now I have fifteen. Two of those are black and I am going to donate their increase to the good work you are doing. If you will send me seven Self-Denial Boxes, I will put one in each family where there is a Sabbath-keeper.

THE WORK IN MOBILE, ALABAMA

ACCORDING to the advice of the Conference, I came to Mobile some weeks since to prepare for tent-meetings. There was an effort made here three years ago; but on the account of the Mission School work in Montgomery Elder T. B. Buckner, the minister in charge of the tent effort, had to leave the work here and hasten to open the school.

Mobile is a large city (for the south) with a population of 40,000 of which half is colored. There are some wealthy colored people here: some, whose wealth will reach in cash something like \$25,000. The Great Negro National Fair will be held here in the fall. The colored people

have subscribed over \$50,000 to this project. This Fair will draw more than 300,000 colored people to this city. Among this number there will be some of the wealthiest Negroes of the South.

We are planning to have our work well started before the time of the fair. We hope to reach the bulk of our people by the meetings. Our tent will be located in a large Negro settlement on Congress and Scott Sts. We hope to shake the city from center to circumference. At the close of these meetings a mission school will be opened. Every thing seems to be favorable for the school work.

We desire the prayers of all the readers of the GOSPEL HERALD. We know God's word will not return unto him void. May God's blessings rest on the work here and souls be added to the cause of God. SYDNEY SCOTT.

RECEIPTS FOR MARCH 1907

The following report is for the donations received during the month of March, 1907

DONATIONS

Susan McConnoughay.....	50	Mrs C E Jones.....	1 00
Mr & Mrs L R Chapman.....	50	Friend of the Cause.....	1 00
Mrs N I Massey.....	10 00	Mrs L W Smith.....	16
S W Harris.....	2 00	A Friend.....	1 00
Mrs R W McMahan.....	80	Mrs Geo Bullock.....	1 85
Mr & Mrs E E Hale.....	8 00	Mrs Lahetta Potter.....	1 60
Mary A Sharick.....	4 50	Miss Beatrice Valentine.....	55
Mrs S D Wagoner.....	1 00	Mrs M G Gass.....	64
Mrs Anna Eads.....	1 00	Keren & Clarence Rasmussen.....	60
Wm Eames.....	50	Mrs M Putvin.....	56
Mrs Anderson.....	50	A J Thomson.....	1 25
Mr Hogland.....	1 00	Ettie V Braugh.....	1 25
Mr Chas Frith.....	10	E C Silsbee.....	2 05
A Friend.....	50 00	Mary Jacobson.....	70
Lillian Farrar.....	1 00	Mrs Sam Baker.....	70
Mrs Annie Reefman.....	80	Mrs S D Wagoner.....	1 00
Eld H A St John.....	10 00	Mrs Anna Eads.....	50
C Lofstead.....	2 00	A A Anderson.....	2 00
Mrs F H Wendall.....	1 00	Mrs M T Cole.....	1 05
P M Partridge.....	2 00	Miss Minnie Huntin.....	70
Beaver City Church.....	9 10	Mrs Huntin.....	43
H W Taft.....	7 10	H F Phelps.....	50
Moses Monette.....	15	Mr & Mrs S C Mansfield.....	50
Phebe Van Patten.....	3 00	Mrs James Smith.....	30
Al Lovgren.....	65	A Friend.....	25
Mrs C M King.....	40	Florence Livingston.....	15
K B Peck.....	60	Merle Dillmon.....	25
H Gildersleeve.....	3 00	John R Bartle.....	1 25
Betsey M Hoadly.....	1 00	Mrs Anna M Garton.....	50
Miss M C Monroe.....	2 00	H A Hartman.....	2 50
Mrs L E Hill.....	20	Allan & Esther Johnson.....	50
Mrs Libbie Collins.....	2 00	S D Chapman.....	2 15
Mrs Anna M Garton.....	50	Mrs R I Rogers.....	36
Eva L Cope.....	2 00	H T Wright.....	2 00
A F Horning.....	2 00	J B Mallory.....	20
Mrs A H Johnson.....	30	J C Johnston.....	15
Mrs Lyla G Felkner.....	1 00	Pleasant Valley Ch'ch.....	2 56
Mary E Scott.....	25 00	Martha J Sevrens.....	1 35
Lydia S Lane.....	2 40	M A Clement.....	2 00
Yen Chin.....	25	Della E Gossage.....	1 00
Mrs L B Godfrey.....	22	Mrs Mary Washburn.....	50
Eva Johnson.....	5 00	Daisy Jefferson.....	1 40
Mrs L Hyatt.....	2 00	Eva M Davis.....	1 00
L H Hunting.....	3 00	Wm D Collins & Family.....	1 10
Mrs Elizabeth Cooley.....	3 50	H B Gray.....	40
Rhoda E Borlew.....	3 50	Mrs H G Lefingwell.....	1 11
General Conference.....	79 18	Total.....	\$ 51 55
Mrs J M Mathews.....	65		
Stroud Sab School.....	10		
James Abegg.....	2 50		
Emily Kirkwood.....	1 00		
Mrs F B Du Bois.....	1 00		
F H Schramm.....	5 40		
Mrs Rhoda I Lane.....	1 91		
C W Smouse.....	21 00		
Marcella Thompson.....	6 00		
Mrs M A Whalen.....	1 00		
Total.....	\$296 81		

FROM THE SELF-DENIAL BOXES

Titus Turner.....	\$ 06	F H Schramm.....	4 50
Emma L Swain.....	1 30	A Friend.....	2 50
L V Beulah Henry.....	60	Mary Spencer.....	55 00
R L Simpson.....	1 02	A Friend.....	61 85
Ellen Wiles.....	1 00	Nellie Higley.....	7 00
Susan McConnoughay.....	50	Mrs E G White.....	50 00
Mrs Etta E Dickinson.....	2 50	Eva Johnston.....	7 35
		F H Schramm.....	4 60
		C P Bollman.....	12 50
		Total.....	\$205 30