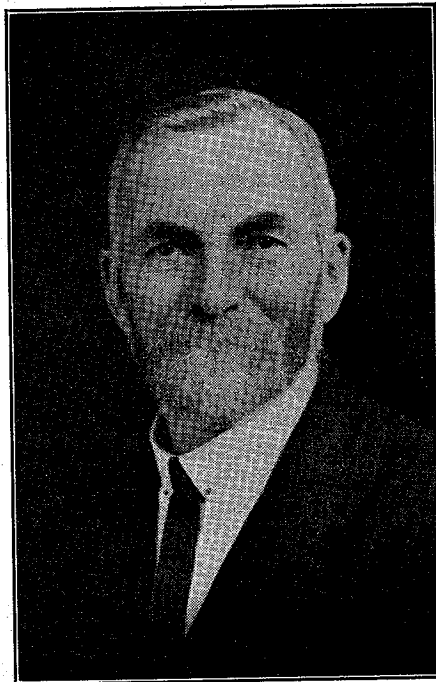


MR WILLIAM THOMSON
 "A Disciple of Henry George"



In a fitting complimentary notice, the Bradford *Daily Telegraph* of 4th November offers "Many Happy Returns" to Mr William Thomson, of Keighley, born 4th November, 1854. Mr Thomson, says the *Daily Telegraph*, is best known to Keighley people as an ardent disciple of Henry George, and for the good service he has rendered to the Co-operative movement in Keighley both as master and man. In the former capacity he was the sixteenth President of the Keighley Co-operative Society, serving in the chair from October, 1889, until 1894. Before that he had been treasurer. From his youth he has been keenly interested in political and social questions, and a careful study of Henry George's *Progress and Poverty* convinced him that co-operation was impossible of realization in its fullness while land monopoly continues to exist.

This explains the earnestness with which Mr Thomson calls public attention to the problems associated with the land question. The late Mr Joseph Rhodes in a reference to Mr Thomson's career wrote that "alike in the performance of his duties as workman, politician, social reformer, and magistrate, Mr Thomson reveals all the qualities of an intelligent Christian citizen."

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We heartily endorse this deserved tribute to our friend and colleague whose able and devoted advocacy of Henry George's doctrines these many years has brought him the affectionate esteem of all his associates. *Land & Liberty* has no more faithful adherent than William Thomson of Keighley.

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