

Christian societies of our own and other denominations will unite with us in this, and we do most cordially invite them to do so." The London Missionary Society brought together evangelical ministers of all denominations at its very first meeting. The author of The Handbook of Christian Missions writes: "It's constitution was catholic from first to last, and it's spirit was that of Christian unity."

What was true at first shall be true a thousand-fold at the consummation—a united church and a redeemed world—the church united to evangelize the world, the world won to the faith of Christ by the testimony of a united church.

"That they all may be one! . . .

"That the world may believe." . . .

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AN EXAMPLE OF CONSECRATED WEALTH.

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[The following article was solicited by the editors, as it was felt that the pastor of such a princely giver could furnish a suggestive and helpful paper with such a life before him. We are publishing in these pages a series of articles on the "Ministry of Money." We place this in the series, profoundly sensible of the power of such an example to stimulate a true consecration of money. When Mr. Moody was spoken to about William Thaw's decease, he exclaimed, "That man was one of God's princes! Earth has few like him; but there must have been a great excitement in heaven when William Thaw got there!" Mr. Moody was himself one of the "beggars," who fell into line like the rest, and came away with \$10,000 for his schools. Mr. Thaw took a peculiar interest in certain classes of persons, overlooked in all ordinary benefactions. For instance, *discharged convicts*. He saw that they would, even when honestly disposed to live a new life, find it hard either to get money or work, or even the confidence of honest citizens. So he took up their cause; counselled them, aided them, and encouraged them to earn a livelihood by honorable toil and started them with a little money in their career of helpful endeavor.

We are profoundly convinced that few obstacles to-day oppose more powerfully the fulfillment of the prayer, "Thy kingdom come," than the inordinate love of money, and the selfish hoarding and spending of what is really held in trust and should be distributed in the Lord's work. One such man as Mr. Thaw does more to illustrate the doctrine of a divinely-stewardship and the possible ministry of money than a thousand essays. The blessing which is to come like a latter rain until there be none left to pour out, waits for the bringing of all the tithes into the storehouse.—EDS.]

THE late William Thaw, Sr., who was for forty-eight years a consistent member of the Third Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg, Pa., and who recently died in Paris, France, besides leaving to each member of his large family an ample fortune, and bequeathing hundreds of thousands of dollars to various colleges, hospitals, homes, boards, associations, societies, relatives and individual friends, left also to each and all of us one of the richest legacies the Christian Church has ever received.