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I was quite disappointed to find in conversation with the Rt. Hon. Herbert Morrison, whom I sat close to at a dinner here, that he had not read any of these works, and, indeed, that he did not know of their existence. The chief protagonist of Socialism in the political field of England should have made a study of the operation of Socialism in the only great country in which it has been put into effect. He has had access to many books written by keen Socialist sympathizers who have spent years in Soviet Russia--in fact, so far as I know he could get access to no other works on the subject because other people have not been permitted to spend many years in that country, and for the most part have not been permitted to enter.

I should say that I liked Morrison personally very much and consider him somewhat of an artist in saying the right thing fairly well. He made himself quite acceptable generally but his language here would not impress one as that of a crusader who for fifteen years had sounded the slogan "Socialism in our time."

Will be very pleased indeed to see you on 24th January and hope you will come in in time and have lunch with me.

Yours sincerely,

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