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Dear Dr. Pannekoek,

I am forwarding you by this post a copy of my recently published book ‘Michael Bakunin and Karl Marx’, which I hope you will find interesting. I do not doubt you already know a great deal more about Bakunin than I do, but I thought the correlation of his ideas to present-day movements might prove of value. I made the conclusion of a recent article of mine in G. L. Darrow’s Felix, it looked as if a synthesis of Marxist and anarchist ideas on a higher plane is the only feasible line for the working class movement to take to-day.

I have just finished reading your “Lenin as a Philosopher” which is now in the Melbourne Public Library. I had read it before I published my own book, I might not have referred to it especially as I also refer to the “Marxian” Dialectic, as
it seems that it is Lenin rather than allusion that is primarily responsible for the compromise of the Dialectic by the "Communist" Party to-day.

You will probably disagree with some of the points in my book. If you do, I should be glad to hear your views as one can always profit by informed and sincere criticism, as I know that yours would be.

Yours sincerely,

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