

GEORGISM AND SOCIALISM

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It has occurred to me that an effective slogan for our cause would be "Site Rental Socialism Gives Individual Liberty." The aim is to adopt the heart-stirring sympathy evoked by the communist or socialist concern for one's fellow, link it with site rentals so as to provide workable machinery that does only the job we wish it to do, and that this promotes and protects the individual liberty that all of us desire.

We must not be afraid of the "Socialist" person. After all, he is in the majority within our community. Thus we must be seen by him as assisting in the achieving of his heartfelt goal - through the site rental proposal that makes it practical. We must not make ourselves appear as antagonistic to his concern for the better working of community affairs. In so far as his work has in Russia ended the previously harmful landed-monopoly-capitalism, the Socialist's work is to be applauded. Our approach is not to undo that good work but to ensure that individual liberty is promoted through the elimination, now, of the harmful power of State-run landed-monopoly-capitalism. We do not wish to see Russia's error in that regard repeated elsewhere.