August 25. 24.

In Barcelona.

Dear and Great Pérez,

It is just more evidence of the absurdity of this world that you should be dead — and speak just as you do about my appreciation of this blessed work! I thank you for that is as it is great value. More as a thing attained by my letters over and over. It will be! I have to all unbraving faith in the worlds of merit, and even in literature I mean Rappaport they sometimes fail — since that too is part of the

gamble of the whole human race.
But they could fail this test
book that transmutes journalism
into history and makes of
history priceless literature. The
three and a half years standing in make
its final proving a place
unrivaled in its great
value. Of all that I am sure,
and I believe you will too, being
as much about it that it is
the most important thing as literature
that you have ever done. This
God knows it has to give of
once unread pages and new
other adventures.
It does not matter a jot to
me that no one has been told
about it. That pleased you, a
good while, did it? Lincoln's
Gettysburg address? Or like a
supreme work.

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I could talk a long time about
this book and my convictions
about it — and yet it seems
you have been treated to all
the joy in — told back and the
the pleasure last longer. And
I hope you will let me another.
I want to talk to with
with Mr Phillips, he is the one
who should get all
praise — that mind you the
my friends, then should about our
work of others — like they got the $7,500
to read and learned that they
write to us. Yes people all over the country
a tip from and as to the
value of art they are going
when
this war is over I know

of my heroics! Then came
Markeith to cut me off from
personal orders about some of
your absent friends; and then
there is [illegible] you
don't feel is quite as able as you
are, and that my corporeal
indifference has done [illegible]
them. But I should say you
should know I would not
pretend more
feel! than I do. Then indeed be exciting
Church or my other vocations in
such a [illegible] like with such a
profusion. Let them it is — putting
limitations rather crude. I have
great confidence in my judgment.
Never in my negatives against able
affirmatives; but my certain of my affirma-
tives as in my negatives. I have written
this and this [illegible] 3 or 4 times. I am back of
the [illegible] study. Devotedly, Viola R—

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