

History TODAY

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Dear Professor Vicens Vives,

We have been discussing with Senor Don Xavier de Salas, of the Spanish Institute in London, the possibilities of securing more articles for this magazine on Spanish historical subjects, and he has been kind enough to suggest your name to us. We should very much like to publish an article on the reign of Ferdinand and Isabella, the Union of the Crowns and the Overthrow of the Moors. What we have in mind is either a general account of the significance of this epoch in the history of Spain, or an essay on some particular aspect of the period which would illuminate it for English-speaking readers. The intelligent general reader whom we aim to please will, of course, already be aware of the subject, but he is unlikely to have any detailed knowledge of it, or to be familiar with the Spanish background and the Spanish point of view. We believe he will be glad to have his interest quickened by an authoritative short study. We very much hope that you will consider providing us with one. A length of up to 4,000 words suits us best, for which our usual payment is £25. If you prefer to write in Spanish we can make arrangements for translation. Should you be more attracted by a different subject from the one we have suggested, would you be good enough to let us know.

In case you are not familiar with our magazine, I enclose three recent issues.

Yours sincerely,

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