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Dear Professor Vives,

I have seen with great interest the specimen of the <u>Indice</u>

<u>Historico Español</u> which you have sent impersonally to me. The Yale

University Library will subscribe to it. It seems to me a very good initiative, such as one wishes we had in this country.

By separate mail I am sending two offprints of mine which seem to me relevant to the history of Spain. I shall send more when and if I have more. In spite of my Spanish name, my family left Spain at the time of the Inquisition and while I read Spanish easily I cannot write it; nor is Spanish history a field in which I can claim any competence. But Spain is a great country with a great past — and, let us hope, with a great future — and no historian can afford to neglect the study of its history. Besides, I have right in Barcelona three good correspondents and friends — Valdeavellano, Mateu y Llopis and Soldevila — and I have been in frequent correspondence with Claudio Sanchez-Albornoz. I am an alien, but a most friendly alien who wishes you the best luck.

Le saluda muy cordialmente, su atento amigo

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