Dear Professor Ferrater:

Thank you very much for your reply to my recent letter.

I would be deeply indebted to you if you would send me a copy of your book on death. Perhaps I can allay any misgivings you may have on this score by saying that the study of death I am engaged in is a project of some years effort and certainly will not be even in draft form for several years, so that any thing I might write which would include reference to your book would be able to take advantage of the new edition you are planning. But meanwhile, the old edition would be of great value to me. There is only one thing—a short article—I have completed so far on or toward a philosophy of death, and that will appear in American Imago in a year or so. When it does, I will send you an offprint and will be most interested in your comments. I don't know how you felt while engaged in your study and work on death; I am seized by the total subject in such a way that the question is not what I think of it but what it thinks of me.

I am planning to attend the Western Division meeting this April-May in Wisconsin. It would be a pleasant surprise to meet you there.

With thanks for your letter, your book, and your courtesy in general, and with good wishes for the New Year,

Sincerely,

Maurice Natanson