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"Carissimo Fratello. Ti scrivo questa non dalla fronte dell'Isone ma dallo stabilimento balneare termale di Ischia, dove sono per liberarmi dalla ruggine che le intemperie e l'umidità hanno accumulato nelle mie articolazioni. Forse sul Carso sarò stato la goccia di acqua che ha fatto traboccare il vaso pieno degli acclacchi procuratimi nelle sei campagne di guerra precedenti, e specialmente durante l'anno di prigionia di guerra alla Sclava; ma tutto ciò nulla se potro liberarmi in presto e ritornare al mio posto. Vorrei sapere che cosa abbiamo fatto fino ad ora? Avanzato sempre cacciando avanti a noi gli austriaci, non dando loro mai la soddisfazione di riprendere, anche in minima parte, ciò che hanno perduto—siamo andati un po' lentamente, ma gli

ostacoli sono dietro ripari fortissimi, imprevedibili per i soldati non italiani eppoi, si difendono molto bene; sono avvertiti degli di noi; questa è una ragione, l'altra, la loro voce quando ricordano questa guerra terribile.

"Non credere che io abbia voluto esagerare col dirti che solo i nostri soldati sono capaci di superare e conquistare quella trincea blindata e protetta da reticolati di filo di ferro dentato, profondi fino a dieci metri; il nostro soldato, di qualunque parte d'Italia, è animato da tale sentimento, che non gli fa sentire il sacrificio della vita; egli va avanti, si lancia e rimane attaccato ai reticolati, se non riesce a superarli. Nell'Agosto scorso dovetti andare a riconoscere una zona di terreno a soli 200-300 metri dal nemico, per portarvi delle batterie; in luce incerta delle ore notturne, profeso me ed il seguito dai tiratori scelti austriaci, che ordinariamente sono nascosti nelle prime trincee; ma, man mano che il giorno avanzava, le nostre persone si disegnavano sempre meglio sul quel nero e brullo, pelato, aquilone del carso e le pallottole cominciarono a flocarci intorno. Dovevamo completare l'operazione, era lo scintio, e io facevamo, camminando carponi, a sbalzi, guadagnando le bassure ed i muretti costruiti dai nostri soldati quando andarono all'attacco, perché vicinissime alle trincee austriache erano le nostre—in uno di detti sbalzi, capitò dietro un mucchietto di sassi, accumulato certamente da un nostro soldato per ripararsi dalla pioggia e dalla avanzata, perché vi erano delle cartucce, dei bossoli, qualche indumento ed un frammento di lettera, che raccolsi, e ti trascrisi; Caro Figlio io so che ti sono arto combattere ma non avviliti che l'odio ti dà tanta forza per quanto ne desideri. Non pensare a noi altri, che noi stiamo bene; pensa che ti attano sempre vicini col nostro pensiero, pensa a fare il tuo dovere da vero italiano, che

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