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## A Handwriting Example #VII

mon hav of sett mer an the stades annu, Brooklyn, de lig New Jork och hvar sin sida af en vik utaf At och and forenade xixat genom en bro, den kanske du nog har lait om, det ar en de storita broas i Werlden, hela largon= 5,980 fot, det mellerdista spranner 1595 bot langt och 135 fot hoat afver val in all de storita fartija med liog a ma derunder, fra sjelfva bron 2 jouvages you ? Roobanor och en gang ar det upp hojda manga gator har som twilar pa pelase, och Jemuchoja med andra a trea vaningen pa husen, dessa jernvagar lakson alla andra har - dubbelspariga Tagen han motas hvar som helst, det gar emellan 2 à 300 Tag at hvardera hallet, pa hvar och en af dessa jernwagan om diggnet

This letter was written by the carpenter *Uno Pettersson*, born 28 December 1855 in Kvistbro parish in Närke. He emigrated 16 March 1888 from Stensäter on Sjögestad lands in Vreta Kloster parish in Östergötland. The first page of the letter is missing, so we do not know whom he was writing to, but presumably some cousins living in Stensäter. Nor do we know where he was writing from or when. He mentions later two cities that had burned, but names no names, but it was probably the cities of Sundsvall and Umeå, that burnt down on the same day, 25 June 1888. It is probable that the letter was written shortly after that.

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Transcription and translation of this letter will be found on page 20.

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