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Dear Alle!

I would like to tell you everything I know but lack a mind that allows ability in discription. Feel that in first hand I should make proper comment as concern your last letter, but, looking how I may, I can find ^{any letter} ~~none~~ later than off June 6 amongst the six I have in front of me. Take for granted that this letter been answered long ago.

However my memmory, always poor, is getting worse. My dear wife agrees only in part, and this way "Du kommer ihåg vad du vill". But as to "far back" am I fully recalling both Oscar and George, as to their ages have forgotten. Did they come in your age ^{group} ~~group~~, and for that matter, How old are you? I shall become 80 at next birthday. Your grandchildren I saw

only when little ones. It's nice to hear of their fine growing up and their progress in school. Do you feel like I do?

Comparing education and development at our time and privileges afforded children today, although naturally glad, makes one jealous. As is, am I unable to keep pace with times and much less using my imagination looking into the future. Yes, so is an 80 year olds problem.

Am very glad to hear that you been healing up O.K. but in your describing the top part ^(head) I feel I should warn you from being too still permitting too much loss of initiative. My damned hearing is terrifically isolating and tend to leave out lots off what could be called consideration. Am glad I get so much pleasure out of reading. We have a very fine library ^{in N.Y.C.} but get mostly my own

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book, ~~and~~ Books in Sweden are terrifically expensive.

The name of today is Sven and I sit waiting being called upstairs for coffee. Most rearrangement of building is now finished and it really looks good. Parts of inside is still to be done because much of the work not requiring skill and craftsmanship has been done on extra time. Sven, ~~quite~~ quite a handy man, has indeed been very active and deserved considerable recognition. My value has been (0) naught. The strain in bending has caused ~~bad~~ ^{bad} reactions to my whole body and particularly the lower part. Never been as lazy as this summer. Have for a time taken medicine for acid stomach and mucous membrane. Am getting a little bit better but have to be careful not to fill up too much.

I am since June or something great - great granddaddy. Not bad, Eh!

My daughter Lillie is back from the hospital for a womb operation. Is doing well

Nybro is now a town of 10,000 lacking just about 50. It is a very costly place to live and rather abnormal in its custom of presents.

Well I have had my coffee and tarta. Am no night hawk any more and feel ready for bed. Good night!

And

A Merry Christmas
A Happy New Year
to your whole family
wishes your old pal Eric

Signe sends wishings and greetin

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