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> Mr Don Crabtree Idaho State University Museum USA

Sir

I am studying archeology at the university in Uppsala, Sweden, and work on a thesis about experimental stoneworking and tests with stone-tools. I am especially interested in the rawmaterial and its characteristics. My investigationarea is mainly the north of Sweden and here we have materials as quartzite, quartz and slate. Thus, an important part of my work is to produce tools of the "flintlike" materials. I have been practicing a couple of years and may say that I have basic knowledge, but still much to learn. Blademaking and manufacturing of thin and broad daggers and spearpoints gives me problems and I am not satisfied with the result (such tools are very rare in the finds here, because the domestic rawmaterial has to poor quality, but I import flint from the south of Scandinavia.)

I have admired your craftsmanship for many years, and I have had opportunity to see some of your films, and I have read some of your papers. This have been of great value to me, but I still think that is a good idea to meet and discuss and exchange expiriences.

I am planning to go to USA during this spring to see some friends and it could give me the opportunity to see you in Idaho. I should be much obliged if you could write me a letter about this matter. It is a rather long journey and I would be very glad if you had time to give me practical instructions during one or two days.

I am really looking forward meeting you.

Your sincerely

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