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Via California

and appreciation and evidence last evening

More with-
time - this
must start
for the mail
leaving Yokohama
on the 9th,
I suppose
have as
ever
Will.

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My dear sister:

I have got to be a most wretched correspondent, have-
n't I, well I will try to do bet-
ter. My excuse must be that
with plenty of work on hand,
and a pup and a baby to play
with when not otherwise en-
gaged, I allow the days and
weeks to slip away unmarked.

The letters of one American
mail for all Americans in
Hakodate as well as Sappo-
ro, some ten or twelve in

number have miscarried -
the mail before the last which
must have contained letters
written about the last of
August. The strange part of
the matter is that we all
got our periodicals as usual.
- the letters must have
been done up separately and
have been misssent. Per-
haps we may see them some
time but it begins to look
doubtful. By the last mail
I got a letter from Mr.
Litchfield of the Board of
Selectmen, S. S., in which
he stated that the mon-

ey for the land was in
the hands of the town
treasurer subject to my
order; but strange to say,
he did not state how
much. I had previously
about Aug. 20th, - written him
and so I shall not take
any steps in the matter be-
yond answering or rather
acknowledging this letter
until I get a reply to
that one.

We are all well, and I am
glad to say that Paul has
commenced to gain a
gain - one lb. the last Feb.

right. We think now that we have been giving her too much water which has prevented her from growing for the last few months; but the Dr. has constantly said something like this - "She isn't fat, but looks strong and well. Fat babies are not healthy babies" I think we carried that principle too far. I have made two public speeches this week, one before a general audience of about seven or eight hundred & the other last evening at the dinner in connection with the Agricultural Exhibition - held here the last week. Exhibition has been good. I had a large