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The best way to induce hens to lay at this season is to provide them with warm quarters and feed meat three or four times a day.

Jones & Co. will furnish all the fencing materials the public may need, next summer, to go with the fence machine sold by Burgess.

East Oregonian: Mrs. Fred-Page Tustin left Saturday evening for McMinnville, where she goes to assist in the final settlement of her father's estate.

Senator Siglin makes his own able defense in the senate against the personal attacks of a venal and mercenary press. He moved for an investigation, and a committee was appointed.

Hon. Chas. Lafollett, in a note to the Reporter, under date of the 19th, says that by advice of his physicians he did not attend the assembly last week, but that it is now thought by both himself and physician, that he will be able to attend the future business of legislation until the end of the session.

B. Clark of this place, will hereafter represent the Northwest Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Portland, and a company that does not belong to any compact or combination and those desiring insurance will do well to call on him before looking elsewhere. The appointment was made by R. R. Roper yesterday.

A foolish and infatuated girl named Van Zandt, wanted to marry the condemned anarchist Spies so bad that she persists, after threats of disinheritance from rich relatives. The sheriff of the Chicago jail put a stop to it by refusing to admit her to the cell where Spies is confined. The world is astounded at the idea that the parents of the girl allowed her to visit the criminal at all, but they are perhaps as weak minded as herself. The grandparents, who hold the purse strings, do not see it in that way, and discard the entire family.

## Letter Writing.

There are many estimable people in the world who would not be guilty of a discourteous or impolite action or speech, who are too well bred to offend even a stranger or mere acquaintance, and whose love and esteem for relatives, and friends would prevent their treating them in a slighting or indifferent manner. Yet many of these same persons will ignore or neglect the correspondence of loved friends and often near and dear relatives and not imagine that they are doing wrong. Postponing indefinitely or neglecting for month after month to answer a letter, is as much a breach of etiquette or politeness, as refusing to reply when spoken to. Then, too, if the correspondent on the other side be always prompt, and supposing there must be some good reason why his letter is not answered, writes again and yet again, and finally, after the lapse of months, receive a short, unsatisfactory letter with little in it but excuses for not writing—"so busy etc, etc"—would it be any wonder if he should soon get to believing that his letters were no longer welcome and would soon decide to withhold them altogether?

We will give a case in point. A friend of mine became very sincerely attached to a relation by marriage—a niece of her husband. This niece made them frequent protracted visits, and the two ladies became very dear friends, the affection between them being as deep apparently as if of nearer kin. Of course when they separated they must correspond. This was kept up with tolerable regularity for several years, the older lady being the more prompt of the two, and frequently chiding the younger for occasional neglect to write at the proper time. Time passed on and the niece married, and moved with her husband to the extreme eastern portion of the state. Being so far distant visiting was now next to impossible. But the letters came and went tolerably promptly for several years, though the younger lady still wrote with less promptness than the older. This carelessness gradually grew upon her, until after awhile she would allow several months at a time to elapse without replying to her aunt's letters. The latter would often write two or three times before receiving a reply, which, when it came, however, would usually be bright, cheerful, affectionate, and full of apologies and excuses for her neglect.

This went on for some time, until finally, letters from the younger lady only came at intervals of half a year or more. They would have ceased entirely, had it not been for the persistence of the older lady in keeping up the correspondence.

Gradually she came to think, however, that perhaps her perseverance was annoying to her niece, and, though she disliked to give up the correspondence, she nevertheless decided to do so if the other wished it. About this time she was taken ill, and her usually prompt letter was delayed some weeks on account of it. But as soon as she was able to write, she did so, stating that, hereafter, she would write but one letter in reply to each one of hers—that she feared her per-

sistence had been annoying, and begged pardon if such was the case, as it was done unwittingly, and through her love for her niece.

To that letter she has never had an answer, though almost a year has passed since it was written. Being sensitive, she feels it keenly, but cannot tell whether it is meant as a slight, or is only thoughtlessness.

To the young people "the boys and girls" we would offer a little friendly advice on this question of letter writing. If you agree to correspond with a friend or acquaintance, endeavor to keep your part of the agreement, and always write promptly. Answer letters by return mail, if possible, or, if you enter into a compact to write "week about," allow no trivial excuse to prevent your keeping your word. If some unavoidable circumstance when you write, that your friend may cause a postponement, explain fully know that the delay was unintentional.

If away from home, have stated days to write to father and mother, and let nothing deter you from attending to it promptly. Think of your mother's anxiety, if several days or a week elapse over the time when she should have heard from you! Her loving heart will conjure up all sorts of fancies. She will be sure you are ill, and need her care, and is almost on the point of going to you when the delayed letter arrives. In it you give some frivolous excuse for your neglect—you "had been to a party, or you had company"—or something equally unsatisfying to that dear mother who merits only your deepest consideration and love.

Dear young friends, your character is being formed in this, the bright spring time of your life. Let habits of promptness in all things become so fixed, that, as the years, one by one, are left behind, and you become men and women, you may be such in the full sense of the word. Have all the fun and "good times" you can, without infringing on the right, or trampling on the feelings of others. But let right and duty—which may both be rendered pleasant provided they are executed with willingness be paramount to every thing else.

COUSIN SALLIE.

Referring to the east Portland discussion about the ringing of church bells in that city, the Astorian says: The ringing of a bell is like italics in a newspaper. Both are insults to the intelligence of the people. Time was when no one but princes could afford a time piece, but now, when a clock that correctly marks the hours can be had for a trifle, the average bell is only a nuisance. The bell is a relic of barbarism and superstition, and is out of place in these days of popular intelligence. The bell is of use and necessity in the case of a fire alarm, when the fire is in this world.

Washington territory makes but a beggarly show of three

names in the list of candidates for local offices in the District of Columbia. But there are fifty-eight applicants, personating twenty states, for judgeship in the territory. This is illustrative of "the go west" idea.

Two brave sons of Rt. Rev. Bishop Morris, of Oregon, nearly lost their lives at a lake near Washington city recently, while rescuing another boy who had gone through the ice. The Bishop's sons would surely have drowned had it not been for the heroic action of his brother, Willie. Thos. Farquhar, a 13 year old boy of the party, lost his life.

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