

In the recent attempt to select for the most distinguished writer to form a society like the French Academy, it is a little remarkable that women are excluded in the list. Being modeled after the French Academy, they followed its lead and excluded the fair sex. Probably no other reason was advanced by the promoters of the scheme. This only shows the vaunted superiority of men. Of course, if the design was not to gather the immortals because of their great mental power, but to get the greatest men writers, then the thing is a fraud. The sex line cannot be drawn on mind. The votes polled were 130; Henry Ward Beecher got 82. His sister, Harriet Beecher Stowe, is an eminent letter-writer as her brother. Name your forty men, and ten women their equals in mind find letters can also be found. If the academy of letters is exclusively for the male sex, then the females will be compelled for the honor of their sex, to start one for themselves. It is too late in the nineteenth century to start in America a band of immortals excluding women. But even a band of men of letters should have a wider scope than the names allotted for would indicate. Poets, novelists and historians are not the only men eminent in letters. In fact, it is very difficult to decide what class of brainy men, speakers or writers are entitled to the highest medal of praise. The French academy demands original research as one of its qualifications. But we propose to say to those who voted men only among the immortals that the great public will vote for women, too.

ENGLISH INGRATITUDE.
The London Times is unkind. It has made the heartrending discovery that "at no time since the outbreak of the civil war has so little attention been paid in England to the affairs of the United States as during the last four months." The new editor of the Times is not, we are afraid, a friend of ours. If he were he would assuredly have kept his secret securely locked in his own bosom instead of blurring it out to the whole world. The chances are that this lack of English interest in our politics will kill off half the presidential booms and dampen the ardor of the politicians in both parties. What is the trouble with our "English cousins?" Have we not sent her all our best actors and actresses, and have we not enriched all those whom she has sent us? Did we not dine and wine Lord Coleridge from one end of the Union to the other last summer and fall? Are we not now sending her our gold? And are not the cattle ranches of Texas and Colorado exerting themselves to the very utmost to raise beef which shall be branded in the London markets as the prime product of her own territory? If she would any of our quibbling railroad securities all she has to do is to ask for them. England is ungrateful.

A Massachusetts woman who lost her husband through the negligence of a steamship company has brought suit to recover \$50,000, every cent of which, she declares, he was worth to her. In one of the western courts another suit of a similar character is pending, the plaintiff being a widow who asks an equal sum for the loss of his wife. These amounts may seem to be extravagant, but are they so really? It is a very ordinary occurrence for juries to award \$1,000 and \$1,500 for the loss of a foot which was anything, but pretty, or for a hand which was far from lovely in life. An eye that perhaps acquired sometimes fetches twice these sums. A husband, if he is at all worthy the name, is assuredly worth a round fifty thousand. A wife who is no more ought to be appraised at double that amount.

The Canadians are congratulating themselves that the cost of maintaining the White House at Washington is a mere trifle as compared with the expense of the Vice-regal court at Ottawa. The amount appropriated for the governor-general and the officials who surround him is \$950,000; while the president receives only \$50,000 per year, with ten or fifteen thousand dollars additional for a few private secretaries and clerks. Repairs of the government house at Ottawa cost \$100,000, and the traveling expenses of the Viceroy \$172,000. It is not surprising that the Dominion is proud. Her territory is larger than that of the United States, and her expenditure for her chief ruler is, of course, on a proportionate scale. Our eagle must "roost low."

SCANDALOUS items are furnished to the English papers by a number of titled ladies, at two guineas each, so that the professional writers are crying out that they are ruined by aristocratic cheap labor. These facts were plainly established in a recent libel suit against Edmund Yates, condemned to four months' imprisonment.

A LITTLE dynamite might stir up congress. It has been five months in session and accomplished next to nothing.

THE picture of possible presidential candidates which adorn the columns of provincial papers are calculated to crush the hopes of the men of whom they are supposed to be counterfeit presentments. Libel suits for defamation of physiognomy are imminent.

SENATOR HARRISON, of Indiana, is away up on the presidential fence. He is reported to be for Blaine and against Blaine, but the truth probably is that he is for Harrison.

It is credibly reported that Spain proposes to sell Cuba to Mexico, on condition that the United States become security for Mexico's performance of the contract.

It is thought that the sub-committee having under consideration the postal telegraph will recommend a maximum rate of twenty-five cents for twenty words.

Tin cable brings the gratifying intelligence that Mr. Gladstone can walk out and look the English east wind square in the eye.

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