

conduct himself as to salute her on her cheeks. (36 Wis. 657.) There is no record of any man being given damages against a woman for such an assault; and yet those who delve into statistics say that as many men are kissed by women as there are women kissed by men. It might be advisable for railway companies to employ all their homely conductors on their freight trains, giving their handsome ones the run of their passenger coaches; for the kiss of an Adonis, for the nervous shock produced by the contact of his Cupid-shaped lips, or the sweet titillations caused by his neatly curled mustachios, could not be such an aggravated assault as the rough kiss of one *monstrum, horrendum, informe*.

The habit of expectorating in every direction is a vile one, and may become an expensive one; we would that it always was punished with many fines and penalties. Cuspidors may be costly, but it is sometimes cheaper to use them. A man, or at least a curiously forked radish with bandy legs, and a mind as crooked and ugly as his legs, used a lady's face for a spittoon upon one occasion, and for that insulting act he had to pay \$1,200, the jury awarding that sum and the judges thinking it not unreasonable; and so say we. This was in Wisconsin. In Illinois, another being, yclept a man, had had the pleasure of giving \$1,000 for spitting in a gentleman's face in public. The jury showed a praiseworthy discrimination in charging more for the defilement of a lady's face than for that of a man. (61 Wis. 450; 63 Ill. 553.)

The judges of the land apparently think more highly, and are more careful of the faces of ladies than of their heads, for in Illinois it was decided that \$1,700 was too much to make a man pay for hitting a woman on the cranium with a hatchet. The court tried to cover up its lack of gallantry by saying that she had been very provoking and had not been hurt much. (87 Ill. 242.) The woman had evidently blown up the man before his blow came down on her.

In old days, in England at all events, the money value of a pair of shoulders and back was not high, however valuable they might have been æsthetically or socially; that was Mrs. Dudley's experience. She tried to drive under an archway nine feet nine inches in height while sitting upon the top of a coach eight feet nine inches from the ground; not unnaturally there was a difficulty in her doing this the first time she attempted it, and she was permanently injured about the parts named, and for these hurts she received only one hundred pounds. (1 Camp. 167.) Each vertebra of a lady's spine is very valuable, although she has quite a number of them, and the spine as a whole—weak as it often is—has frequently been a source of great revenue, especially to those who have travelled. Mrs. Fry, a substantial British matron, jumped three feet off the top step of a railway carriage to the ground, and thereby jarred her vertebræ. The jurymen to whom she appealed ordered the railway company, because the car had not been stopped in a proper place, to pay her £500; and the judges to whom the company complained of the jury's valuation, agreed with the jurors of our Sovereign Lady the Queen, and enforced the verdict. (18 C. B. N. S. 225.) In the Province of Ontario, Mrs. Elizabeth Toms got \$1,000 out of a town for an injury to her spine; the first jury wanted to give her \$750, the next said \$2,000, but the court deemed \$1,000 the correct thing. Mrs. T.'s horse had shied at some new boards on a