

stood on some more tacks, and the Puritan held her own—"

"Hold her own what?"

"I don't know, I'll ask Charley—and then the Puritan held her own until the Genesta was a mile to the leeward—"

"The leeward; what's that?"

"I don't know; I'll ask Charley—and by that time they both broke tacks with each other, and—"

"Broke tacks; that was bad."

"Yes, very bad; and then they rounded some more buoys, and the Puritan went in corsets, and—"

"What! went in corsets!" repeated Lucy shocked.

"No, not corsets, went in stays is what Charlie said, but it's the same thing; and then the Puritan came out ahead, and the yachts—"

"The yachts—what are yachts, my dear?"

"O, I don't know, I'll ask Charlie, and—"

And here we had to get off the car.—*Pittsburg Chronicle.*

#### OUR OWN JOKER AT WORK.

The other day a forlorn looking creature called upon us at our office and insisted upon leaving a bundle of manuscript. He tried to explain its contents, but as our mind was occupied in seeking items for our numerous readers, we did not listen to his words and he left us with a dim idea that the roll was in some way connected with India. Later on, when exhausted by our herculean labors, we lay back in our easy chair and seeking something of a soothing nature, took up this man's portfolio. The first sentence ran thus:

"What mineral would the Recorder most likely mention should his list of drunks be unusually large some day? "Come, now" we exclaimed, this man is a character. He is like Carlyle, and begins as far from his subject as he can. He must be a poet for he recognises resemblances in most different subjects. "What is the answer? It might be a comical sight? (calcite) or—but we stopped here and read on—"He would probably ask to see less tights (celestites). We sighed wearily. "This punning on minerals *schortly a venturine* unknown seas." But we could not see the Indian subject so we read further. The next sentence was about football.

It seemed a serious item enough and ran as follows:—The McGill Football captain is not often found *John* his men, yet he has them in *Georgiose* trim and says that he'll raise a *Gale* if they don't *Kerry* all before them at Toronto.

Still no India. We began to get discouraged but went a little further still and read:—

A German, just arrived in the city, was passing up St. Denis Street and saw the usual placard. "Hello," he cried to a passer by: "Voudt you dell me vat dose placards mean vas?"

"Oh! That's the small-pox, picotte, you knew" replied the citizen.

"Der Schmall-pox!! Vell, mein vrient, I dont *pe-caught* me; Mein pisiness ist in New York"—and he went there.

We arose in our anger to seek that man but just as we had put on our hat he entered, and we saluted him.

But he bore our revilings so patiently that we melted and finally said. "My dear fellow why did you tell us your trash related to India? "So it all does," he replied, isn't it a pun job!

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Our landlady has just told us that if we will throw people out of the window we *must* pay for the glass.

#### College World.

The Freshman class at Harvard this year numbers 260.

At Yale a Chinese student took the prize for English Composition.

There are thirty-one colored students in the Freshman class at Yale.

Seventy-nine per cent. of Russia's soldiers can neither read nor write.

Dr. George C. Lorimer has just been elected to the presidency of the Chicago University.

The largest Sanskrit class in the country is at the University of Pennsylvania, and numbers eleven students.

Prof. J. Bell Pettigrew, M. D., F. R. S. is mentioned as the successor of Principal Sharp of St Andrew's University, Scotland.

Colby University enrolls a small freshman class this year, there being but 22 in its ranks.

Bowdoin has 37 freshmen, and Bates 41.

Dr. Noah Porter, for 14 years President of Yale College, has resigned. The cause is not given, but it is said to be the criticism by members of the corporation of his executive ability.

King's College N.S. has begun the new collegiate year with a staff of five professors and with twenty-seven students. A prosperous year seems opening before the college after all its recent troubles.

The Royal Academy of Turin offers a prize of twelve thousand francs for the most useful and striking discovery in anatomy, physiology, pathology, the exact sciences, geography, or statistics, effected between Dec. 31, 1885, and Dec. 31, 1886. Members of the Academy are not eligible to the competition.

#### Correspondence.

##### CONDUCT ON THE CAMPUS.

*Editors University Gazette:*

DEAR SIRS,—I am sorry to observe that the Freshman class in Medicine is this year discredited by the presence of one or two peculiarly conspicuous abnormalities. One of these beings, as yet uninfluenced by contact with civilized society, made himself particularly odious to some hundreds of spectators, assembled on the campus on the occasion of the recent Britannia-McGill football match, by flourishing in