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and obtain their knowledge while completely separated from the noise and bustle of the world. Ward politics is not prolific of Platos or Aristotles, nor is it recorded that from it ever arose a St. Thomas or a St. Augustine, a Newton or a Leibnitz, a Descartes or a Pascal.

### STUDENT POLITICIANS.

We can scarcely imagine two more contradictory attributes applied to the same person than *student* and *politician*. The very terms themselves, at least as they are commonly used, seem to imply the most extended difference both in tastes and habits. The first carries with it the idea of a quiet life spent away from the cares and anxieties of the world; the second supposes active connection with the affairs of state and personal participation in all the struggles incident upon an election campaign. And yet despite this evident disagreement, the students of several of our sister universities across the line have organized themselves into Republican or Democratic clubs, as the case may be, and vie with the ward politicians in their noisy and unbecoming displays. Now apart from the ill-feeling that may be engendered by this course among students of the same college, there is the higher and more important view—the incalculable damage done to the year's work by this active interest students take in politics. It is all nonsense to say that students must be abreast of the times, must have some knowledge of the affairs of their country, etc. The amount of this knowledge that is necessary will come later and in its proper time. But a course of studies should never be interrupted in order to acquire a paltry acquaintance with unnecessary subjects. All the great theologians, philosophers, scientists, and literary men were obliged to pursue their researches

### COLLEGE DISCIPLINE.

Apropos of certain unseemly occurrences which form an annual feature of the students' life in some of the American and also Canadian Universities, President Barnard of Columbia College recently took occasion to make some very pertinent remarks. Every line of his address is suggestive and full of deep meaning, but we were particularly impressed with that portion which referred to the "demoralizing influences which often prevail when immature youth are aggregated in large bodies in buildings where they are kept for a great part of the time without supervision, domestic or municipal." The truth of this remark is amply shown by various displays of student liberty to which we have no intention of referring here. Still we cannot refrain from remarking that all this is but the legitimate outcome of the false notions of liberty so prevalent in America. Liberty is preached from the pulpit and propagated by the press; it is the watchword of the patriot and of the demagogue, of the millionaire and of the beggar. Poets sing its praises and artists reach their highest perfection in chiselling the statue of the goddess Liberty. Yet despite all this, it is not true liberty that is thus worshipped, but that false substitute license which has its basis in the opposition to all law. Naturally enough this feeling has taken possession of University students and now anything approaching the imposition of a law or a rule is immediately judged as tyranny and something which no free man should tolerate.