

portunity to speak highly of your integrity, capacity and legal attainments.  
Yours, etc.,

JULIUS S. GRINNELL.

This is the kind of gentleman that the vituperative scribes the of "Liberal" organ delight to assail. And this is the lawyer whom that temporary High Mightiness, Registrar McCallum, will not permit to practice in his apology for a court! Further comment would be entirely superfluous.

### THEY WANT A CONFLICT.

EVIDENCE is accumulating to the effect that there is a design on the part of the leading "Liberal" manipulators of the present campaign to precipitate a conflict in connection with the approaching election. We expressed that view a few days ago to a member of the party of the opposition, and stated that such an event would be a calamity from every standpoint. The gentleman with whom the conversation was held did not deny the possibility of violence, and deprecated any tendency in that direction; he also said substantially that the firebrand, pyrotechnical course pursued by Powers ought to be put a stop to.

The following extract from a dispatch sent from this city from a virulent and vindictive "Liberal" source, strengthens the opinion that an intention to bring about a conflict exists, and the public mind abroad is being prepared for it:

"There can be little doubt that trouble will result over this election, and hundreds of deputy marshals will be provided to maintain the peace, and if these fail, the Gentiles will have peace if they have to call on Fort Douglas and fight for it."

Should there be a disturbance it will not be because the people whom it is proposed to rob of their rights take the initiative. They will avoid anything of that character to the last extremity, and we advise them not even to give the rabidists the shadow of an excuse for a resort to violence.

On Saturday, January 25, groups of "Liberals" assailed some of the People, who were parading, with foul epithets and profane and filthy shouts and expressions. In a number of instances actual violence was offered and instantly resented. A statement of these incidents having been published, they drew forth a deprecatory document over the signature of "Liberal" Chairman Powers, who proclaimed himself as not in sympathy with such incitements to disturbance and violence.

He advised "Liberals" to refrain from them. Yet, in the same publication, the same erratic and contradictory individual repeatedly published, over his signature, this call:

"Monday evening, Feb. 3, grand go-as-you-please parade. All marching clubs will parade the main streets, as they please, as long as they please and where they please. Each club will march independent of all others."

If that "go-as-you-please" alleged parade is not intended to produce a disturbance, the looseness of the call is liable to create such a condition. It can be construed by the paraders to mean that they can with impunity "paint the town red," and "make Rome howl." It almost amounts to a hint that they may do anything they please, there being no caution against a resort to mobocracy.

It is also understood that, in contravention of an old gubernatorial proclamation, which has the same force as a statute, when applied to members of the People's Party, the Scott Zouaves are drilled and armed.

All these and other circumstances indicate an intention to precipitate a conflict. The inciters, as intimated, expect to shield themselves behind a large force of deputy U. S. marshals and the soldiery stationed at Fort Douglas. The presumed object of forcing the people into violence is to produce an effect that would induce Congress to hurriedly pass the unrepugnant and oppressive measure providing for the total disfranchisement and robbery of all members of the "Mormon" Church, and which was drafted by the active and unscrupulous plotters of the "Liberal" party and carried to Washington in the pocket of a gentlesmoothiey.

The People wish to avoid creating the slightest excuse for the other side resorting to violence, but they propose to keep up the struggle for the retention and maintenance of their rights to the end. The proposed "Liberal" steal has not yet been consummated, and the proposition on the side of right is to prevent it. That may be set down as a fact.

### JOE E. O'BRIEN.

UNDOUBTEDLY it was from the lips of Joe E. O'Brien himself that the organ of the conspirators obtained the history of his doings in Utah, which appeared in its issue of January 30th. It published on February 1, a letter from him, with his oath affixed thereto, by way of

attestation. The letter is an open one addressed to Mr. Bonfield, but beyond doubt was prepared specially for the use of the sheet referred to.

From these two accounts of the career of Joe E. O'Brien we purpose selecting a few points for the consideration of the public, leaving the latter to judge whether or not that individual is the embodiment of the worst forms of rascality and treachery. We will first observe that a detective who is entrusted with the ferreting out of crime, and who, while pretending to be so engaged, is really working in the interests of the criminals, is justly regarded as belonging to the worst class of traitors. Such a form of treachery is peculiarly abhorred for the reason that society has so little protection against it, and suffers so much from it.

In the article of Jan. 30, O'Brien is made to assert that Frank Jennings instructed him to draw Col. Page, W. H. Dickson, P. H. Lannan and Judge Powers into a gambling game, under circumstances that would enable Jennings to have the place "pulled" by the police at the proper time to catch those individuals in a game; that O'Brien replied that such a scheme would "cost lots of money," and to carry it out he would "have to appear flush;" that Jennings answered, "Never mind the money; go ahead and you shall have all the money needed;" and that thereupon O'Brien started on a course of giddy pleasure and extravagant expenditure, all for the purpose of entrapping the persons named into a gambling game and ambush. O'Brien is further made to state that, in a brace game which he entered on his own account, he "dropped a big bundle of money," which, after some hesitation, Jennings made good, warning him to thereafter incur losses only in attempting to trap the "Liberal" leaders.

All this is a pack of palpable rubbish. A moment spent in an analytical examination of these statements will prove this. Mr. Jennings, in behalf of the People's Party, furnished O'Brien considerable sums of money to be used in demonstrating that certain "Liberal" leaders were gamblers. Now what earthly use could Mr. Jennings or the People's Municipal Central Committee make of such evidence? None whatever. Granted that there exists a popular supposition that those individuals are gamblers, what good would it do the People's Party to prove them such?