

After a residence of almost a year in Utah, during which period I have seen considerable of the Territory and its people. I must conclude by endorsing the opposition of William M. Springer to the Cullom and kindred bills which will do more harm in a day than good in a week."

### THE UNEASY FEELING.

At half-past 10 o'clock July 17th, a pedestrian was observed making his way up B Street at a rapid gait. He carried in each hand a large boulder about the size of a baby's head. He looked around furtively as he went, evidently anticipating that any moment he might be pounced upon by a holdup. In such case the collision between the highwayman's head and the two cobbles would have been very striking, providing, of course, that the gentleman who carried rocks did not change his mind and exhibit his heels.

Seriously, the footpad, garotter and burglar scare is becoming exceedingly pronounced, and is very discomfoting to numbers of people. The immunity from arrest enjoyed by criminals who have floated into our heretofore peaceful and safe city is likely to cause the evil to be augmented.

We are not fully in accord with the view expressed by a good many, on this subject—for the citizens who have occasion to be abroad at night to go armed and shoot down the first footpad who makes an attempt on them. Besides the liability of the shooter to make a mistake by believing he is about to be assailed where such is not the case, there is a horrible repugnance in the mind of every properly constituted person against taking the life of a human being, even if the victim be well deserving of the treatment. Something of that kind is almost sure to happen, however, unless the criminal crew with whom the city is now infested is not driven out by some other and more regular process. In cases of the invasion of households by burglars there should be no special hesitancy in using the most extreme means of getting rid of the intruders.

### GOOD "LIBERAL" ADVICE.

The organ of the "Liberals," under the guise of advice as to the course to be pursued at the August election, gives the "Liberal" manipulators of the last city election a terrible overhauling. Of course it is thoroughly deserved, but coming from such a source it must be par-

ticularly mortifying to the partizans who pulled the strings on that occasion, and the mediocre persons who were elected and who then received the unqualified support of the same hands that now smite them without mercy.

If the advice now given is followed, a very different class of men will control affairs and be put in nomination for "Liberal" votes than those who figured in February. But it remains to be seen whether the dictation attempted will be submitted to by the class for whom it is intended. And it is not improbable that more "incompetent, faltering men—men who having been doubtful in the past will go into the office that they obtain with a doubt upon their future," will be foisted upon the party if not upon the community. We hope that the good sense of the conservative non-"Mormons" as well as the united energies of the People's Party will keep them from being saddled upon the public service.

When the manner in which the whole business of the "Liberal" conventions was managed for the municipal election, is scanned and reflected upon, it is laughable to hear the organ talking about "a fair fight." And it is rather cruel to reflect upon those who cut and dried the whole proceedings, even down to printing the names of men whom the "people" in the primaries were to choose as delegates, and call them "strikers and spoilsmen."

All the same, the "advice" is good, and the castigation deserved. The People's Party also should see to it that only good men are nominated for office, men who will be recognized by persons of all parties as fit for the position. To make sure of this, the People should turn out on Monday next at the primaries, and send the right men to the Convention. Then proper nominations will be made and such a ticket formulated as cannot be fairly assailed from any source.

### A VILE AND SCURRILOUS EFFUSION.

The New York *Journal* has one of those "enterprising" persons on its reportorial staff who, failing to gather in authentic items of news, let their imagination run riot and are perfectly unscrupulous as to accuracy.

The *Journal* notices the arrival of all the companies of "Mormon" immigrants that reach the port of New York, and long accounts ap-

pear in its columns of supposed interviews with members of those companies, with comments added by the ingenious if untruthful scribe who pretends to have investigated matters "on the spot," that is, Castle Garden.

In its issue of the 13th inst., the *Journal* has nearly two columns of fiction in regard to the latest arrival which it says consisted of "120 women and six Elders" on the *Wisconsin*. The public are informed that "4,000 a year" is the number of these "batches of emigrants" and, "They are not like ordinary emigrants, as they are mostly made up of young girls with the freshness of youth and the bloom of good country air upon their cheeks, and an innocence of manner that shows plainly their lack of acquaintance with the world." It is further stated that "The women are the dupes; the men are the snarers who hunt and pursue their games with a cold-blooded persistency that strikes horror to the heart of the beholder."

This kind of stuff is continued throughout the article, and it is from such stories as these that the public mind is prejudiced against a people and faith about which there prevails the densest ignorance.

If the *Journal* desires to ascertain how much truth there is in this story about 120 young girls, inquiry at the Quion office will elicit the facts. It will be seen from the list of passengers that this "batch," like others, was composed of families, with no more than the usual proportion of either young or old girls; that many aged people of both sexes were numbered in the company, and that there is no special selection of either age or sex or class in "Mormon" shiploads of emigrants. Even the Emigration Commissioners, hostile as they usually are to the "Mormon" cause, will freely acknowledge this.

The vile expressions and calumnies in the New York *Journal*, emanate from a thoroughly depraved heart, a vulgar and low-lived mind, and a scurrilous and libellous pen. A respectable paper ought to be ashamed of such false and scandalous effusions. And we suggest that a libel suit would be the proper remedy in the very frequent cases of this kind.

The Quion Steamship Company is made a party to this alleged infamous scheme to capture young girls and lure them to Utah. That company, in our opinion, is the proper party to proceed in this matter. The *Journal* and all the New