

## PARTNERSHIP NEVER EXISTED.

Sensational Disclosures in the  
Case of Dr. Keen vs. Thomas  
J. Nipper.

### ALLEGED INVESTMENT DENIED.

Defense Expects to Show That Let-  
ters Offered in Evidence Are  
Forgeries.

Disclosures of a sensational nature were made today in the hearing of the case of Emma J. Keen vs. Thomas J. Nipper, now on in the federal court. It will be remembered that Dr. Keen claimed that she had invested the sum of \$5,000 with Mr. Nipper in the sheep business, a share of the profits from which business she now sues for. In a statement for the defense, made shortly after the opening of court today, Judge Powers said to the jury that they would show beyond the peradventure of a doubt that Dr. Keen had never invested such a sum or any sum at all with the defendant; that during her visit to Boise, at which time she claims to have made the investment, she was absolutely without money, so much so, in fact, that neither she nor her mother had sufficient with which to return home. Counsel further said that they would show the jury that the letters introduced in evidence as coming from Mr. Nipper to Dr. Keen, had been tampered with to the extent that the statements concerning business deals and words which had been omitted.

At the hearing of the case late yesterday afternoon depositions were read from Mrs. Lykins, Dr. Keen's mother, and Mrs. Susan R. Warner, a sister. The former testified that her daughter had between \$4,500 and \$5,000 when she went to Idaho to visit the Nippers, this having been realized from the sale of her horse and cattle from the Lykins ranch.

### PASS BOOKS IN EVIDENCE.

At this point counsel for plaintiff offered in evidence the pass books of Mr. Nipper, showing business transactions with the First National bank of Idaho and the National Bank of the Republic of Chicago. The former showed deposits aggregating \$58,106.92, while the latter showed a deposit made Aug. 18, 1901, of \$50,000.

### A GENERAL DENIAL.

Judge Powers then outlined the case for the defense, stating to the jury that every material allegation that had been made by plaintiff would not only be denied but would be absolutely refuted through the testimony of witnesses. He stated that the defense would show that there had been no business entanglement between plaintiff and defendant, but that on the contrary the defendant had given the woman money out of his own pocket in order to satisfy her demands. They would also show, said the judge, that Mr. Nipper had been married for years by the plaintiff and that she had no other object in view than to get what money she wanted from him. They would also show that Mr. Nipper had educated the woman at his own expense and that she had promised to repay him after she got thoroughly established as a physician. He amounts said to her, he said, had reached the sum of something over \$5,000. They would also establish the fact that plaintiff's mother stated to defendant that she was not pleased with her daughter's conduct, and that she advised him not to give her any more money. It would be brought out, said the judge, that when she learned that he was about to quit, she increased her demands to \$5,000. Judge Powers likewise said that the defense would show that the letters offered in evidence had been changed so as to make it appear that a business partnership existed between them.

### MRS. NIPPER'S TESTIMONY.

Mrs. Nipper, wife of the defendant, was then placed on the stand, and testified that she had been subpoenaed to appear in plaintiff's behalf. Questioned by Judge Richards of Boise the witness stated that she had first met him (Richards) in 1900, but had had no conversation with him prior to that time concerning trouble between her and her husband. A letter said to have been written by her to Dr. Keen, was shown the witness, who denied positively that she ever wrote such a letter. The massive threatened plaintiff with violence did she not leave Tom (Mr. Nipper) alone.

### DEPOSITIONS READ.

Then followed the depositions of George F. Ledway, cashier of the First National bank of Idaho, and of J. J. Byers, a ranchman living three and a half miles from Boise. These referred principally to Mr. Nipper's business affairs, although the latter spoke of the acquaintance existing between plaintiff and defendant.

### NIPPER ON THE STAND.

Shortly before noon Mr. Nipper took the stand in his behalf and denied positively and absolutely that there had ever been any partnership existing between himself and Dr. Keen. He admitted having paid her sums of money at frequent intervals, but denied that she had ever made any investment with them whatsoever. Their acquaintance had covered a period of 11 years, from 1892 to the present—and correspondence had passed between them for something like eight years. The witness testified to having paid for her education at a Denver medical school and having met her expenses also while she was pursuing a post graduate course in Chicago. He said he had destroyed most of the letters that passed between them because he didn't want his wife to get hold of them. However, some which he had placed in his desk had come into her possession. Mr. Nipper was on the stand when this report closed.

### COURT NOTES.

In the case instituted in the civil division of the city court sometime ago

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by Mrs. Margaret Hunt against William A. Stanley and wife to recover a diamond ring found by defendant in a house in which plaintiff formerly resided. Judge Tanner has rendered judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$31 and costs. The complaint asked for the recovery of the ring or \$50, its value, and for \$10 damages. The court rendered judgment for one-half that amount and \$1 as damages.

Upon motion of the attorneys for plaintiff Judge Stewart has dismissed the case of Axel E. Hokanson vs. the Pleasant Valley Coal company without prejudice. The action was brought to recover \$1,999 as damages for personal injuries received by plaintiff being run over by a coal wagon. D. J. Sharp, the agent of the company, was also a party defendant, but the action as against him was dismissed several days ago. The case has been on trial before a jury in Judge Stewart's court since last Monday. The evidence went to show that neither defendant owned the wagon which ran over plaintiff nor it was deemed advisable to dismiss the case without prejudice and file a new complaint. The new complaint will be filed in a few days.

### WHOSE BABY ARE YOU?

Blind Man Claims It and So Does Mrs. Jenkins.

Mrs. Coster, the woman who has the baby belonging to Mrs. Jenkins of East Jordan, and whose refusal to give the infant up caused the identity of the child to be buried in mystery, wants it understood that she has no particular interest in the matter other than what she is being paid for by the blind man, Bill Henderson, who claims to be father of the child.

### MRS. HODGE'S EFFECTS.

Her Brother, Alfred J. Larsen, Wants Them Sent to Him.

Sheriff Emery this morning received a letter from Alfred J. Larsen, brother of Mrs. Aurora Hodge, who recently died at the Holy Cross hospital in this city, asking that official to send him all of the belongings of his deceased sister. The brother also requests the sheriff to write him full particulars of the sickness and death of Mrs. Hodge, and to ask the undertaker to send him an itemized statement of the funeral expenses. He also thanks the sheriff for favors shown his sister and himself. It is a settled fact, therefore, that Mrs. Hodge will be buried here. Undertaker Evans has refused to bury the remains until his bill is guaranteed and Mr. Larsen has been telegraphed to that effect, and a reply is awaited.

### COUNTY TEACHERS.

Interesting Meeting Held in Memorial Hall This Morning.

The county teachers held an interesting institute this morning, in the Memorial building of the L. D. S. university. The various branches of school study were taken up and carefully discussed with the best methods of instruction in the name. Principal Martin of the Grant school spoke on the necessity of avoiding technical language in talking to children, and using a simple style they can understand. Superintendent Ashton spoke on geography, setting forth the necessity of the study of physical before political geography.

W. W. Parratt spoke on the need of thoroughness in every work undertaken. To interest a child it should be the results of its labors. Art work should be judged by feeling rather than by looks. There were other and instructive talks on the various grades and their requirements, and particular attention was called to constructive work and design, and teachers made excellent drawings in crayon on the blackboards. There were also talks on music which were well listened to and proved profitable.

### C. L. RACINE HELD UP.

Was Compelled to Disburse Twenty Dollars to Armed Robbers.

C. L. Racine, who resides in Chesney court, reported to the police last night that he had been held up and robbed of \$20. He says that while on his way home he was suddenly confronted by two masked men at Fourth South and West Temple streets. Thrusting revolvers in his face they ordered him to throw up his hands. He at once complied with the command and one of the men then took his money. The robbers quickly disappeared in the darkness, and Racine lost no time in getting home.

### PATENT MEDICINES.

Investigations and Analyses Give Some Very Instructive Results.

The state board of health is carefully working out its investigations of the patent medicines that are sold in such quantities in this market. From one small bottle of cough medicine two grains of cocaine were taken, the retail price of the "medicine" was 50 cents, and the cost to the manufacturer three cents. One bottle of bitters yielded 47 per cent of alcohol, within 3 per cent of proof spirits. Another alleged "elixir of life" that has been sold in this market in almost carload lots, was found to contain 21 per cent alcohol and a little flavoring. There is quite a lot of alleged medicines that are showing up just about such analyses, and when the board gets its facts in order, there will be a move against these impostors that promises to bring death and dereliction to the contents of thousands of feet of shelving in local drug stores.

### PRIMARY CONFERENCE.

Little Folks Crowd the Salt Lake Assembly Hall This Morning.

The Primary associations of the Salt Lake stake of Zion held their conference in the Assembly Hall this morning, the large building being well filled with the little folks. The meeting was devoted to timely talks by the presiding officers and the singing of Primary hymns by the children, and was highly interesting throughout. President Camilla C. Cobb presided, assisted by her counselors, Lydia A. Wells and Millie P. Bassett.

### TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

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### QUARANTINE RAISED.

Frank O'Reilly, whose family has been under quarantine for several weeks for black diphtheria, and who suffered the loss of three children from the dread disease, is now out and around the remaining members of the family having nearly recovered. Mr. O'Reilly is very grateful to the many friends who rallied to his support during his hour of affliction and expresses his appreciation of the many acts of kindness performed in behalf of the stricken ones. Mrs. O'Reilly, he says, is still somewhat afflicted, the disease having made serious inroads upon her health.

### DEATH OF MRS. SCHNEIDER.

Word was received in this city today of the death of Mrs. Susanna Schneider, which occurred in Logan yesterday. The deceased was a native of Switzerland and came to this state in 1870. She was 61 years of age at her death and leaves a husband, two sons and two daughters to mourn her loss. The funeral will take place in the Fourth ward meetinghouse at Logan tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

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### BUILDING OPERATIONS.

Open Weather Permits Salt Lake Contractors to Rush Work.

With the return of fine weather, contractors have resumed active operations on their buildings. The great Holmes apartment house will soon be entirely under roof and protected from the weather. The stone work on the Catholic cathedral walls is about completed, and in two or three days when the remainder of the roof steel has arrived, the roof will be put in position as quickly as possible. Considerable progress has been made with the First Presbyterian church, the exterior of M. H. Walker's mansion is practically completed and the windows are being put in, and the interior of the University club will be entirely finished by the close of the year. The Temple of Labor at Fourth South and State streets are ready for the windows and makes an excellent appearance from the street.

The Chadbourne block further up State street, is up to the third story; the Independent Telephone building is ready for the interior work, as the exterior is all done, and next door to the north where the Y. M. C. A. building is to be erected blasting out the old concrete foundations laid years ago for the proposed city hall, will begin Monday.

These foundations are in fine condition, but are neither in the right place or deep enough to be made of any use. The new block has reached the height of its five stories, and the roof is being put on. The Federal building is now where it is beginning to make an imposing appearance, and the stone work of the first two stories and part of the third is in place. Contractor Campbell is satisfied with the progress of the work.

### MISS RAMSEY AT PARK CITY.

Popular Singer Delights Big Audience At the Dewey Opera House.

(Special to the "News.")

Park City, Dec. 5.—The largest audience that ever turned out to attend a concert at this place greeted Miss Ramsey at the Dewey Opera house last night. Popular prices prevailed and the house was filled throughout. The young singer delighted her audience thoroughly and was encored time and again, while Miss Sands also received warm recognition for her work at the piano. Both artists leave for Salt Lake this evening where they remain until Monday morning when they will go to Bingham to fill an engagement at that place the same evening.

Don't fail to see the elegant PRESENTS given away at THE UNIQUE THEATRE, 157 Main St.

Mrs. Emeline Minor will hold her annual Xmas sale and exhibit of hand-made goods at the Grand Rapids furniture company, on Third South, beginning Friday, Dec. 18, and continuing until Xmas eve.

### SANTA CLAUS ORCHESTRA.

At the Keith O'Brien company tonight. Bring the children, enjoy the music and see the finest holiday display in the city.

### PERSONALS.

Supt. Henderson of the San Pedro returns this evening, from a trip of several days down the line.

General Freight Agent J. A. Reeves of the Short Line returns in the morning from his Kansas City trip.

Glen Miller will send his oldest son to Phillips academy at Exeter, N. H., to prepare for Yale.

General Manager Quigley of the Stratford hotel has been traveling through southwestern Wyoming, and returns home tonight.

### A MAFIA VICTIM.

Inquest on Body of Amodeo Nicola Indicates He Was One.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 5.—The inquest on the body of Amodeo Nicola, the Italian who shot himself at Miken station, just west of this city last Sunday, developed the fact that he probably was a victim of the Brooklyn Mafia. Just before he fired the fatal shot Nicola handed a letter to Dr. Lewis, another passenger, and the letter was turned over to Conductor Rickert, who incorporated it in his report to the division superintendent at Oakland. A literal translation of the letter, which was written in Italian, follows:

"All this that you do to me is unjust. I do not remember to have done wrong to anybody. You will give me the death penalty, but without me having committed any fault. I salute all of you of Brooklyn, and I declare yourselves of being men of great power, and that you are men of protecting women of ill fame and vagabonds. All that you have done to me I never deserved, but my blood will call vendetta upon you all."  
(Signed) "AMODEO NICOLA."  
The verdict of the jury was that Nicola came to his death by suicide.

### CHURCH NOTICES.

Regular services of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held tomorrow, Sunday; Fast meetings being held in the respective wards at 2 o'clock p.m.; Sunday school at 10 a.m., and meetings in the city ward assembly rooms and adjacent wards as follows:

SALT LAKE STAKE.			
	TIME		
First.....	6:30	Twentieth.....	6:30
Second.....	6:30	Twenty-first.....	6:30
Third.....	6:30	Twenty-second.....	6:30
Fourth.....	6:30	Twenty-third.....	6:30
Fifth.....	6:30	Twenty-fourth.....	6:30
Sixth.....	6:30	Twenty-fifth.....	6:30
Seventh.....	6:30	Twenty-sixth.....	6:30
Eighth.....	6:30	Twenty-seventh.....	6:30
Ninth.....	6:30	Twenty-eighth.....	6:30
Tenth.....	6:30	Twenty-ninth.....	6:30
Eleventh.....	6:30	Thirtieth.....	6:30
Twelfth.....	6:30	Thirty-first.....	6:30
Thirteenth.....	6:30	Thirty-second.....	6:30
Fourteenth.....	6:30	Thirty-third.....	6:30
Fifteenth.....	6:30	Center.....	6:30
Sixteenth.....	6:30	Canon.....	6:30
Seventeenth.....	6:30	Brighton.....	6:30
Eighteenth.....	6:30	Pleasant Green.....	6:30
Nineteenth.....	6:30	North Point.....	6:30

Scandinavian meetings are held in this city every Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m., in the Assembly Hall. All are cordially invited.

Religious services in the German language are held every Sunday morning, at 12 o'clock in the Assembly Hall.

The Twenty-third quorum of Seventy will meet in the Seventh ward meetinghouse at 7:30 o'clock next Monday evening.

The Sixteenth quorum of Seventy will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening, Dec. 7, at 7:30 o'clock, in the upstairs room of the vestry adjoining the Tenth ward meetinghouse. Business of importance. A full attendance is earnestly desired.

Meetings will be resumed at the Twelfth ward chapel, which has lately been undergoing repairs, tomorrow. There will be Sunday school held in the morning, followed by fast meeting in the afternoon and M. T. A. meeting in the evening.

### Stake Conference.

The quarterly conference of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion will be held in the Assembly Hall, Dec. 13, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., and in the Tabernacle at 2 and 7 p. m., of the same day. The various stake and ward officers are expected to be fully represented at all of the meetings.

ANGUS M. CANNON,  
JOSEPH E. TAYLOR,  
W. CHARLES W. KENNERLY,  
President of Stake.

### Relief Society Conference.

The Relief society conference of Salt Lake stake will be held in the Fourteenth ward hall Saturday, Dec. 12, 1903, at 10 and 2 o'clock. Officers and members are requested to be present. At the close of the morning session a special meeting will be held for secretaries and treasurers, where instructions in keeping the books of the society will be given.

M. ISABELLA HORNE, Pres.  
JULIA S. WOOLLEY, Secy.

### GRANITE STAKE.

Big Cottonwood..... 2:30  
East Mill Creek..... 2:30  
Farmers..... 2:30  
Forest..... 2:30  
Granger..... 2:30  
Grant..... 2:30  
Hunter..... 2:30

### OTHER CHURCHES.

Our Savior's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fourth East, between Fourth and Fifth South.—Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. in the English language, and 10 p. m. in the Scandinavian language. You are cordially invited to attend. A. G. H. Overn, pastor.

First Unitarian Society.—Services held in Unity hall, 149 Second East street, 11 a. m. Subject of sermon, "Capital Punishment," by Rev. W. H. Fish. Music by Unity choir and violin accompaniments. Duet, Mrs. Cook and Miss Larson; solo, "Prayer," Miss Larson, with violin obligato by G. H. Schubert. Emerson class and Sunday school will meet in the upstairs room immediately after services. Unity club will meet at 8 o'clock Monday evening in the upstairs room. Unity circle will meet on Wednesday afternoon in the downstairs room.

### LATE LOCALS.

Local coal men say that Salt Lake gets the best and the cheapest coal in the entire west.

Very fine California prunes are on the market, much sweeter and plumper than the Turkish or Syrian prunes.

The Utah Philippine Veterans will hold a meeting in the city council chamber at the City and County building tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

There were 484 vehicles, by actual count, without the Granite stake Tabernacle last Sunday afternoon, belonging to Saints in attendance on the services.

The transfer of the retail business of the Utah Fuel company in this city to Mr. Bamberger, does not in any way make any changes in the general offices of the Fuel company, which remain as before and in the Dooly block.

There was a large attendance of Masons at Bishop Leonard's funeral, as he was a member of the Commandery. At the grave, a men's quartet, composed of A. H. Priddy, Harry Shourman, Fred Graham and J. W. Curtis, sang, "Asleep in Jesus."

An immense rattlesnake is on exhibition in an East Temple street window. It is seven feet long, has 13 rattles, and its thickest diameter is about three inches. Every man who passes "half full" and sees this snake is given such a shock that he is sobered immediately, and makes a bee line for home in object terror.

The atmosphere is warmer today than yesterday by some eight or nine degrees, and the local weather office predicts fair tonight, and tomorrow. Moderately low temperatures obtain all over the west. However, there are low areas approaching from Vancouver and the Gulf of California that may cause trouble about Tuesday.

Rev. Dr. Henry C. Mable of Boston, general secretary of the Baptist Missionary union, and one of the pillars of the Baptist church in America, is in the city with Mrs. Mable to spend Sunday, en route home to Boston from San Francisco where they have been to see a party of missionaries off for the Orient. Dr. Mable will preach tomorrow morning in the East Side Baptist church, and in the evening at this First Baptist church.

### DIED.

LINDHOLM.—At 512 Center street, this city, Dec. 5, 1903, of old age, a Johanna Lindholm, wife of Anders P. Lindholm; born Aug. 28, 1815, in Sweden. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, the 8th, at 2 p. m., from the Nineteenth ward meetinghouse. Friends are invited to attend and can view the remains on day of funeral at family residence from 1 to 1:30 p. m.

DAVIS.—Sorella, infant daughter of Heber H. Davis, a Davistha A. Davistha of stomach trouble. Born April 7, 1903. Funeral Monday at 2 p. m., at residence, 645 West First North.

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